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SECRETARY DANIELS RETURNS FROM MAINE

Confident Cox Will Carry Both Indiana and Ohio and Regards Maine Result As Having Little Indication On November Election; Criticism of Federal Reserve

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Washington, Sept. 13.—Senator Simmons today issued a statement to the effect that he had begun a movement that he felt sure would result in the relief of the critical financial situation of the farmers and business men in North Carolina. The Senator's statement was issued from his office late today by his secretary, Frank A. Hampton. The Senator today has held conferences with a number of high officials of the government. The critical situation as regards the tobacco market in eastern North Carolina was considered. For the last two weeks the Senator has been seeking a way by which he hopes the strain on the banks will be removed though he says the matter is not yet in a satisfactory condition.

Secretary Daniels was eagerly sought by Washington newspaper men for his opinion on the course of the campaign on his return from a week's speech-making in Indiana and Maine and a visit to Ohio and other pivotal States. The Secretary is one of the strongest husting speakers in the cabinet and one of the most accurate gaugers of political sentiment wherever he speaks. He has had practical experience in every Democratic presidential campaign for the last quarter of a century, and he has only to get into the atmosphere of a State, county or community to learn what the people think.

If the election were held today, he feels confident that Governor Cox would carry both Ohio and Indiana. He saw many unfavourable signs in both States that the Democrats are now leading. He addressed great multitudes of people whose response was never more enthusiastic. He talked to all sorts of men and women too on the trains, in the shop, in the streets and homes, many of them Republicans, who were heart and soul for the League of Nations. The women will roll up a tremendous vote for the Democrats on this issue. With Democrats they say, "We know they will get a League. With the Republicans they do not know what they will get."

Maine Not Barometer

In spite of the fact that Maine is as reliably a Republican State as Texas is reliably Democratic, in some quarters the fiction persists that the result of the Maine election in November for county and State officers has some important bearing upon the November national elections. Undoubtedly, if upon national issues Maine should go Democratic in September, it would be significant. But the size of the majority for State officers in September does not foreshadow anything as to the November result. As an example four years ago the Republican majority in Maine was twice as large in September as in November. Some years local issues greatly reduce the Republican majority. Some years national issues reduce it. This year there were no outstanding local issues to aid the Democratic State ticket and the Democrats in Maine felt that the old time Republican majority on State issues would be polled in view of the intensive and school house district campaign which the Republicans waged with the biggest campaign expenditures in many years.

The vote in the Monday election does not indicate the strength of the sentiment in favor of the League of Nations in Maine. Secretary Daniels found many men and women, strong Republicans, who said that while they would vote the Republican ticket in September on State issues, in November they would vote for Cox and Roosevelt. Some of the ablest men in the State told him that in a straight League of Nations referendum in November, Cox and Roosevelt could carry the State. In the question, unaffected by State issues, if that issue was presented directly to all the voters of the State.

He found that nearly everywhere the Republicans are quietly telling the people who pay an income tax from \$2,000 to \$20,000, "vote us into the government and we will repeal this income tax with the other war taxes and raise the tariff to support the government."

Of course, the Republicans have no notion of doing anything of the sort. It is wholly a false promise, but it is producing some effect and must be met by the Democrats. The Republicans will not dare come out openly and make such a proposal. They know they cannot resurrect the tariff corps and there must be an income tax to help defray expenses of the government. It is simply another Republican gun-shoe trick to win votes, but the Democrats can expect it by giving it publicity.

It is said in this campaign that the Democrats have neither money nor organization. This statement seems to have depressed some Democrats, but it should not. The Democrats have as much money and organization as they ever had. They have never had any of either worth having. The Republicans are over-organized. A great deal of the money raised by them will be spent paying the employees of their huge organization. Two-thirds of the Republican money will be wasted by the organization. On the other hand the few dollars that the Democrats are able to scrape together will be wisely expended.

Blanche Federal Reserve.
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Gov. Cox Says Prohibition Issue "As Dead As Slavery"

Democratic Nominee Makes Statement At Close of Speech in Portland, Oregon, As Reply To Question Shouted From Gallery of Big Auditorium; Adds That Present Question Is One of Law Enforcement; Delivers Several Speeches.

Portland, Ore., Sept. 13.—A statement that the liquor question "is as dead as slavery" and that the present question is one of law enforcement, was made here by Governor Cox, Democratic presidential candidate, to a large audience at the auditorium today. His statement was a reply to a question shouted from the gallery.

"To an audience of women this afternoon Governor Cox made another statement in regard to the liquor question, pledging himself to "enforce all laws regardless of what interest may be affected."

The governor's statement came near the close of his address today.

"How about the liquor question?" a man yelled.

"I understand," the governor replied, "that some newspapers out here have lost their former interest in the league of nations."

"Apparently one of their readers is interested in a subject as dead as slavery."

Stating that he had invited questions regarding his policies, Governor Cox continued:

"Entitled to Information.

"This is a country of free speech. You are entitled to know how I stand. This is a question of law enforcement. Let me tell you that while I was governor of Ohio, before national prohibition, for the first time in history, the front door and the back door of every saloon in Ohio was closed on Sunday."

Beside business and the budget, Governor Cox discussed the league, progressivism, radicalism and its prevention, and other subjects in his noon address here at the auditorium, which crowds overflowed. The speaker was introduced by Senator Chamberlain, who was praised by Governor Cox.

Cox Praises Chamberlain.

"No man in Congress did more in helping to mobilize, governmentally, the resources of our country in the war," said the governor. "He will be"

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NO BLUFFING IN MAGSWINEY CASE

British Government and Irish Nationalists Firm In Their Attitudes

London, Sept. 13.—(By The Associated Press.)—Assurances that there is no element of bluffing in the respective attitudes of the British government and the Irish Nationalists relative to the MacSwiney case were obtained from responsible sources of each faction by The Associated Press this afternoon.

"If the Sinn Feiners think we are hiding our time and will capitulate when MacSwiney's condition requires that we adhere to its policy of divulging nothing about the prisoners. But it became known today that some of its reports from the bedside of the hunger striker have been surprising. Ten days ago the officials believed that a new Irish crisis was imminent when the prison physicians reported that the Lord Mayor could not live more than 36 hours."

In dealing with the MacSwiney case, the home office, which controls the prison commission, has all along strictly adhered to its policy of divulging nothing about the prisoners. But it became known today that some of its reports from the bedside of the hunger striker have been surprising. Ten days ago the officials believed that a new Irish crisis was imminent when the prison physicians reported that the Lord Mayor could not live more than 36 hours.

Since then the doctors have declined to predict, but have confined themselves to what they believed to be the actual condition of the prisoner. They contend that the case baffles medical science—that in such a case one man might have been dead days ago, while another might live many weeks, no one being able to judge the resistance of any individual under such circumstances.

The doctors disagree with the reports of the Irish Self-Determination League, which evidently are obtained from relatives of the prisoner who are allowed at his bedside, that the Mayor is in great pain. The home office reports this morning said that he was noticeably weaker than yesterday, but not in pain.

MEETING OF PREMIERS HIGHLY SATISFACTORY

Giolitti and Millerand Discuss Franco-Italian Relations In Conference

Aix-les-Bains, Sept. 12.—Premier Giolitti is going back to Italy highly gratified with the results of his conference with M. Millerand, the French premier.

"The results of the conference greatly improved Franco-Italian relations," he said to The Associated Press tonight. The outstanding feature of the conference is the great satisfaction of both French and Italians that the occasion afforded a check to the tendency of the two allies of separate action and of the two peoples toward reciprocal suspicions.

Though the premiers did not settle any question in detail, they are declared to have reached an understanding that will prevent further friction. France goes a long way to satisfy Italy's distress regarding the disposition of the Austrian merchant marine. Concessions agreed to on other economic questions, such as raw materials, contributed largely to the good feeling of the Italian delegation.

Premier Giolitti said that Italy would continue negotiations with Yugoslavia regarding Trieste and the Adriatic. He added that it was Italy's intention to go as far as possible in the way of concessions.

Hostility Manufacturers to Meet.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 13.—The southwestern division of the National Association of Hostelry and Underwear Manufacturers will meet here Friday with about 75 representatives from the Southern States present. The purpose of the session is to discuss trade and price conditions.

BICKETT TO OPEN CAMPAIGN TODAY

New Bern In Joyous Anticipation For Opening of Big Eastern Carolina Fair

New Bern, Sept. 13.—The eve of the eighth annual New Bern Fair finds both the city and fair grounds proper all in readiness for the throwing open of the gates of the big exposition grounds bright and early Tuesday morning for what it is believed, will prove to be the biggest and best fair ever held in Eastern North Carolina.

For days and weeks those who have been in active charge of the events have striven to make it a big success in every detail and their efforts have blossomed forth so successfully that now, just a few hours prior to the inauguration of the week of joy, mirth, and melody, everything tends toward making it all that could be desired and then some. The city is gaily decorated for the occasion, scores of business houses are attired in flags, banners and bunting, which when the electric lights gladden and cast their glow over the entire business section of the city, making the scene one which is attracting much favorable comment and one which is indeed a thing of beauty.

Amidst all of this riot of light and color, gay throngs are hastening about the streets, some bent on pleasure only while others are aiding in adding the last final touches preparatory to the grand opening Tuesday morning.

Out at the fair grounds all during the day there has been hustle and bustle. In the main exhibit building, the owners of booths in which exhibits are to be made have been placing their exhibits, while the decorators have been busy all day adding a bit of color here, a touch of paint there and making the whole a thing to delight the eye.

The agricultural, swine, livestock and the hundred and one other exhibits have also been placed during the days and when the gates of the grounds are swung wide open tomorrow morning everything will be found complete there.

The midway people have been busy today in erecting their tents and preparing to lure the crowds which will throng the grounds tomorrow. This feature of the fair is the largest and most complete ever seen here. Every foot of space on the grounds have been taken and the amusement features are varied and galore. The race track has had the final little touches added, which horsemen say makes it the best track they have seen in many days, it is predicted that the speed tests which will be seen the day after tomorrow will surpass even the finest expectations of those in charge of that department. The first race will be the 220 trot, the second a 2:14 pace. Tuesday afternoon, the racing program beginning promptly at 2 o'clock.

The initial event on the program for the opening day will be the spectacular pageant which will take place Tuesday morning. More than sixty floats have been ordered for the parade and the parade will be more than a mile in length. Incidentally the floats which have been entered are about the prettiest ever seen here. Following the parade, Gov. T. W. Bickett will officially open the fair, coming up from Morehead City earlier in the day on board the flagship of the State Fisheries Commission and being met here by a representative delegation of New Bern citizens. This address will be the first of a series which the Governor will make in a swing around the State and in it he will sound the battle cry of democracy and the call to the "pure in heart" to buckle on their armor and go out for the fray pending the November elections. Following the address by the Governor who will be introduced by Congressman Samuel M. Brinson, the fair will be on in full swing and the crowds will be made to enjoy their visit to the fullest extent.

One of the big features of the week will be in the address on Wednesday at noon by William Gibbs McAdoo, former Secretary of the Treasury. Mr. McAdoo will leave New York Tuesday afternoon, coming down to Washington, where he will be joined by Senator F. M. Stephens, and will come on down to New Bern Wednesday morning. Elaborate arrangements have been made for his reception here and it is believed that no less than ten thousand people will hear his talk at noon. Senator Simmons will introduce Mr. McAdoo.

SCHOOL MAN LICKS ONE BUT BROTHER ATTACKS IN DARK

Charlie Clark Mauls Louisville's Veteran Superintendent Over The Head

PROFESSOR MILLS HAD GUN BUT DROPPED IT

Citizens Hold Mass Meeting and Express Appreciation of Services of Teacher, Who Got Worst of Scrap Saturday Night; Both of Clark Brothers Held For Court

Louisburg, Sept. 13.—After licking Nathan Clark, who became enraged because his child was sent home, Prof. W. R. Mills was attacked on the main street here Saturday night by Charlie Clark, brother of Nathan, and badly beaten about the head. Both the Clark men were held for trial in Superior court for assault at a preliminary hearing today and the school man was held to answer to a charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

The attack on Professor Mills, who has been the head of the schools here for fifteen years, aroused much indignation among the citizens and at a big mass meeting in the courthouse this afternoon following strong addresses by Dr. Franklin Swindell Love, president of Louisville College, and several prominent women, strong resolutions were adopted pledging support of the administration of discipline in the graded schools here.

Third School Scrap.

The fracas Saturday night was the third scrap of the week, school men being victorious in the first two. Thursday night Professor Kizer, of the school faculty was attacked by E. S. Ford because of the punishment of the latter's child. The teacher held his own and is credited with having outpointed Ford in the first round. Today Ford was held under bond for Superior Court on a charge of simple assault.

When Nathan Clark's son is alleged to have misbehaved Friday, he was sent home and the indignant father came to the school house that afternoon to settle up matters with the school principal. Clark is alleged to have used a monkey wrench in his attack on the teacher but the latter took it away from him and Nathan carried away several marks from the battle in which the school superintendent completely held his own.

Settle Their Differences.

In the presence of Chief of Police High, Saturday morning, the school superintendent and Nathan Clark shook hands and called it even, so far as friendship was concerned, though there still remained the charge of assault which was threatened out before Mayor Joyner today.

That Professor Mills did not consider everything had been settled altogether satisfactorily was indicated Saturday night when he whipped out a pistol after being attacked in front of the Farmers and Merchants bank while the usual Saturday night crowds surged to and fro. When Charlie Clark hit him, the teacher is said to have drawn his pistol but dropped it on the sidewalk.

With his head down in an effort to get the pistol Professor Mills testified today in court, he was beaten over the head by a hard substance in the hands of Clark. The fight lasted but a minute before some of the crowd separated the two men.

Suffering from numerous bruises, the teacher was bleeding profusely and it was feared that he was seriously hurt. However, Professor Mills seemed little the worse for his experience with the head buster and he was heard to say "I appeared in court today, Clark didn't go on the stand to testify in his own behalf."

After the fracas Saturday night, Charlie Clark was carried before Mayor Joyner and placed under a thousand dollar peace bond. This bond was continued today until Wednesday and Clark was also fined twenty dollars for disorderly conduct but appeared in court today. He was placed under a five hundred dollar bond to answer to a charge of assault. Professor Mills was placed under a hundred dollar bond to answer to the charge of carrying concealed weapons.

People Highly Indignant.

At the mass meeting this afternoon, strong sentiments in behalf of Professor Mills were presented and these will be brought to the attention of Superior court. Great indignation was expressed that such attacks should have been made on the teachers of the school and they were assured of the support of the people of the community in their efforts to maintain discipline in the graded schools here.

Following the attack Saturday night, business was closed up and everywhere people voiced their indignation over the affair though no thought of further violence was entertained.

Both the Clark men are machinists and have lived here for several years. They are men of good character but have the reputation of showing ugly temper when they are angered.

CENSUS OF COLUMBUS COUNTY ANNOUNCED

Washington, D. C., Sept. 13.—The census bureau today announced the population of Columbus county, North Carolina, a 29,007, an increase during the past decade of 1,887 or 6.7 per cent. Populations of incorporated places in the county were given as follows:

Aene, 183; Boardman, 828; Bolton, 609; Cerro Gordo, 302; Chatham, 904; Clarendon, 135; Delec, 210; Evergreen, 139; Fair Bluff, 297; Honey Hill, 170; Lake Waccamaw, 337; Tabor, 785; and Whiteville, 1,064.

MAINE GOES REPUBLICAN BY OVERWHELMING PLURALITY WITH BIG VOTE BY WOMEN

SEEKING NOMINATION FOR CONGRESS



Dorothy Frooks, of Kingston, N. Y., who is seeking the Republican nomination for Congress. She is well-known as a successful barrister throughout the State, and has been referred to as the "Poor Man's Lawyer." She has a brilliant war record, and during the war enlisted 30,000 men for Uncle Sam. For this she received a gold medal.

ISSUES INJUNCTION AGAINST STRIKERS

Alabama Federal Court Judge Forbids Interference With Mine Operations

Birmingham, Ala., Sept. 13.—Judge W. I. Grubb, of the Federal district court, this afternoon issued a sweeping injunction against J. R. Kennamer, president, and other officials of the Alabama division of the United Mine Workers of America, forbidding them to interfere with operations at the Gamble mines of the Pratt Consolidated Coal Company. The hearing is set for Saturday, September 18th.

The court, in issuing the injunction, forbids the defendants from disturbing, hindering or interfering with the complainant. The order is not only addressed to those named in the injunction, but to all members of the miners' union.

Reasons for the granting of the injunction without notice to the defendants are based on the following allegations in the bill of complaint:

That "immediate and irreparable injury will result to the complainant; and injury consisting of reduction and probable cessation of its mining operations at Gamble mines, and that said injury is irreparable because of the loss of profits in its operations, the expense of its organization and its inability to comply with its contracts for the sale and delivery of coal."

Besides President Kennamer, the defendants include J. L. Clemons, secretary; W. L. Harrison, national organizer; George Hargrave, organizer, and more than a score of other officials and members of the miners organization.

Several hundred union men composing the Harding and Coolidge Railway Club of Marion were in the delegation and cheered the nominee as he hit at class rule and landed the labor provisions of the act.

They carried banners expressing their support with such inscriptions as "The Government Must Change Conductors," "Harding Will Not Sidetrack Us" and "Safety First, Elect Harding."

Conceding that the act "was not perfect," Senator Harding characterized it as the "most conservative piece of legislation ever enacted in the protection of any group of workmen in the United States."

MINERS' COMMITTEE IN STORMY SESSION

Fail To Reach Agreement To Resume Work In The Anthracite Coal Fields

Hanilton, Pa., Sept. 13.—Failing to reach an agreement on a plan to bring about a resumption of work in the hard coal fields, the "policy" committee of the United Mine Workers of the three districts of the anthracite region, after a stormy session late today, took an adjournment until 10 o'clock tomorrow.

Supporters of the "vacationists" urged that a committee be sent to Washington to confer with President Wilson or Secretary of Labor Wilson in an effort to get an assurance that the award would be reopened if the miners returned to work.

Canvases of the anthracite districts tonight indicated that the situation throughout the region was unchanged and that all mines in districts 7 and 9 were completely tied up by the unauthorized walkout. In district number 1 more than 6,000 miners continued "on vacation," and there was no change reported in the strike situation at the collieries of the Pennsylvania Coal Company.

Mine workers' officials estimated that more than 80,000 miners were idle in the hard coal fields.

Want To Improve Fire Departments.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 13.—Before designed to increase the efficiency of municipal fire departments were under consideration at the opening of the third annual convention of the International Association of Fire Fighters here today. Delegates from throughout the United States and Canada are attending the convention.

Old Guard Carries All Four Congressional Districts and State Legislature By Commanding Lead

REPUBLICAN STRENGTH UNIFORM THROUGHOUT ALL ELECTION RETURNS

Frederic H. Parkhurst, Republican Candidate For Governor, Has Plurality of Sixty Thousand Over Bertrand G. McIntire, Democrat; Latest Figures Give Republican Gain of More Than 40,000 Over That of Four Years Ago While Democratic Vote Less Than 1,550 Over That of 1916

HARDING IN STATEMENT ON VICTORY IN MAINE

Marion, Ohio, Sept. 13.—Senator Harding issued the following statement tonight after he had been informed that the Maine election results indicated a sweeping victory for the Republican ticket.

"The result in Maine is reassurance that the American people mean to return to representative government under the constitution through the agency of the Republican party and that Maine takes the lead in declaring America unimpaired to the old world, but still ready to serve humanity as American conscience impels."

Portland, Maine, Sept. 13.—The Republicans swept the state in the election today and elected Frederic H. Parkhurst as governor by the largest plurality ever given a gubernatorial candidate in Maine. With only 42 isolated towns and plantations to be heard from, which cast a total vote of about 2,500 in the State election of 1916, Parkhurst's plurality over Bertrand G. McIntire, Democrat, was more than 64,000. The largest previous plurality was about 48,000, given the Republican nominee in 1896.

Aided by the women's vote, which went very largely to the Republican candidates, the party rolled up a total vote of more than 63,000 larger than that of 1916, while the Democratic total was increased over that year by only about 2,500. The Republicans elected congressmen from all four districts and obtained a larger majority in the legislature, besides electing their candidate for State auditor.

Returns from 592 precincts out of 632 in the State give for governor: Parkhurst, (R.), 133,817; McIntire, (D.), 69,249. The same precincts in 1916 gave for governor: Milliken, (R.), 80,014; Curtis, (D.), 66,652.

The missing precincts are small towns and plantations.

The State Senate is solidly Republican and the Republicans elected every county attorney and every county sheriff. Twelve Democrats were elected to the State House of Representatives.

Considerable significance in the outcome in its bearing on the voting for President in November was asserted by Republican leaders from the fact that the campaign was fought out almost wholly on National Lines, with the League of Nations as the chief issue.

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE MAKES HIS STATEMENT.

Bangor, Maine, Sept. 13.—Colonel Frederic H. Parkhurst, Republican candidate for governor, in a statement tonight on the election said that "as the campaign has been vigorously contested by the Democrats on national issues, the result must be accepted throughout the country as giving most conclusive evidence that the voters of Maine resent the autocratic and un-American administration that the Democrats have given us during the past seven years."

"It is equally an endorsement of Harding and Coolidge," he added, "who will be elected in November by a decisive majority."

DEMOCRATIC LEADERS IN NEW YORK SAY NOTHING

New York, Sept. 13.—Officials at Democratic National headquarters here tonight received returns of the election in Maine with a great deal of interest but declined to make any comment. A statement would be issued tomorrow, they said.

NO BEARING ON ELECTION IN NOVEMBER, DANIELS SAYS

Washington, Sept. 13.—Secretary of the Navy Daniels, who made speeches in Maine for the Democratic ticket, commented upon the election there tonight in a statement which said that the "majority for State officers in September does not foreshadow anything as to the November result."

"The vote in the Monday election does not indicate the strength of the sentiment in favor of the league of nations in Maine," he said. "Some of the ablest men in the state told me that in a straight league of nations referendum in November, Cox and Roosevelt could carry the state on the question unaffected by state issues, if that issue was presented directly to all the voters of the state."

LEAVES MONEY TO COLLEGES.

Durham, Sept. 13.—Funds of \$7,500 each for the University of North Carolina and the State College for Women at Greensboro have been established through the will of the late Victor B. Bryant, prominent Durham attorney, who died recently.