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## G. O. P. LEADERS IN A DEAL WITH NEGRO STUMPER

Hays and Eastern Director Miller Exchange Letters With Rev. W. Lee Person

### WHO QUALIFIES BY DENOUNCING PRESIDENT

**Calls Wilson Greatest Autocrat Since Time Began; Would Like to Begin in Bleeding Kansas and Wind Up in New York City; Asks Hundred a Week**

By R. E. POWELL.  
(Staff Correspondent.)  
Charlotte, Oct. 16.—Concrete evidence that the Republican party has come into North Carolina with its appeal to the negroes has been uncovered in the exchange of correspondence between Hays and Eastern Director Miller.

Republican national committee and W. Lee Person, Hickory, an ex-negro Senator and ex-postmaster.

Following on the heels of the publication of the sensational letter sent out from Greensboro to the negro women of the State, these letters, which are in the possession of the Democratic executive committee of Mecklenburg county, leave little doubt as to the purpose of the Republican party to capture North Carolina and any other doubtful states or congressional districts by the votes of the negroes, males and females, if possible.

Reverend Person is a former campaigner of the party. He spoke from the hustings, he says himself, for Judge Hughes. He describes Wilson as "the greatest autocrat since time began," proving beyond peradventure that the corner State Senator reads Colonel George Harvey carefully. But, perhaps, the most striking thing about his tender of stumping services to Hays is not the mention of a hundred per week. It is his frank statement that he expects "to share the victory which assuredly awaits." The Reverend is pushing the Harding band wagon boys for seats and a collectorship or something of the sort might be his. The Reverend Person's criticism of the National Chairman W. L. Hays some time during July for on the twentieth of that month Hays, addressing "my dear Mr. Person," said this to the self confessed stamper of Columbia: "Just a word of very cordial appreciation for your kind letter of the fourteenth. Your suggestions are timely. Let me have them fully and freely at all times. With very cordial regards, I am, sincerely yours, etc." The letter is signed in Chairman Hays' own handwriting.

Referred to Eastern Director. In the meantime, it may be supposed that the Reverend Person communicated at length with Chairman Hays. Anyway Hays was impressed with what Person said about the negro vote in North Carolina and his ability as a speaker in "bleeding Kansas." Hays communicated with Thomas W. Miller, Eastern director of the Republican national committee and on September 1, Miller, addressing "Dear Mr. Person," wrote: "Congressman Slomp has written me about your services as a speaker in the present campaign. Will you please let me know under what conditions you would be willing to speak and upon what subject you are best versed and also in what locality you could be most useful. As the campaign gets under way, it is possible that I can utilize your services. Sincerely yours, etc." To which Reverend Person replied in two pages of closely typewritten paper. An hundred a week, he informed Mr. Miller was his price and three or four speeches a day his bill. He had ready to hand the names of Hays and Jones to do it for Harding and Coolidge. But the Reverend tells it himself:

"Pursuant to your letter of the first, instant, wherein you informed me that Hon. Bascom Stump, of Virginia, had called your attention to me with a view of utilizing my services in the present campaign. I appreciate very much indeed any word that comes from him. I had hoped to be on the hustings this fall. I wrote Chairman Hays that I desired to begin in bleeding Kansas about September first, and end the day before election in New York City, going into Iowa to Chicago through Indiana, West Virginia, Ohio to New York and especially in each doubtful or close congressional district and to put in a few speeches in the State of New Jersey.

"I am sure that you realize that the trend is Republican," the Reverend says. "I have no doubt as to where the new conditions leaves us. There we should stand for the Star Valley stock, German East Africa, West Bank of the Rhine or the Pacificator to Japan or Shantung.

## SAYS BANK CREDIT FOR MOVING CROPS HAS BEEN LIBERAL

Federal Reserve Board Declares Credit Has Been Steadily Available

### PRICE DISTURBANCES CONSEQUENCE OF WAR

Statement of Board, Replying to Representations As To Unavailability of Agricultural Credits, Says No Ground For Expecting That Help Will Not Be Continued

Washington, Oct. 16.—Bank credit "has been steadily available for the successive requirements of agriculture," according to a formal statement issued tonight by the Federal Reserve Board, designed as a reply to agricultural representations which complained to the government this week for a further extension of agricultural credits.

Recent disturbances in price and demand which have been meted in agricultural markets, are "inevitable and unavoidable consequences of the economic derangements occasioned by the World War," the board's statement said. It added, however, that the gradual and regular movement of the crops from producers to consumers was to be expected.

"In view of the representations which have recently been made to the board to the unavailability of credit in agricultural sections," the statement said, "the board requested information concerning credit conditions throughout the country from the chairman and governors of Federal Reserve banks at their usual autumn conference here this week. Been Steadily Available.

"The board is advised that credit has been steadily available for the successive seasons' requirements of agriculture, as well as for the needs of commerce and industry, and that there is no ground for expecting that its availability for the purposes will not continue.

"The present improved credit situation is due in part to the timely steps taken last spring, following conferences between the board and governors and directors of Federal Reserve banks, to provide credits for crop moving requirements, and in part to the subsequent improvement in transportation reported from all districts except in a few localities.

"Between January 2 and October 1 of the present year about 800 leading member banks from all sections of the country, which report their condition to the board weekly, and which represent approximately 70 per cent of agricultural credit, have increased their loans for agricultural, industrial and commercial purposes by an amount exceeding \$1,600,000,000. This great increase in the credits extended to their customers has in the main been made possible by the accommodation extended banks by the Federal Reserve banks.

"During the same period, the twelve Federal Reserve banks have increased their holding of agricultural paper by more than \$500,000,000, and from January 23 to October 1, 1920, increased their issues of Federal Reserve notes by over \$400,000,000. At the same time, Federal Reserve banks having surplus funds have extended accommodation to Federal Reserve banks in agricultural and live stock districts by means of discounts, aggregating on October 1, over \$225,000,000.

"Disturbances inevitable. "The disturbances in price and demand which have recently manifested themselves in markets for various agricultural and other commodities, not only in the United States but in other countries as well, are inevitable and unavoidable consequences of the economic derangements occasioned by the world war. The United States has not only a heavy volume of exports, although foreign demand for certain agricultural staples has somewhat decreased. But the chief market for our new and manufactured products is at home, and our present huge crops of immense value may be expected gradually and in regular course to move from producers to consumers. The recent census, reckoning our population at 105,000,000, emphasizes among our own capacity as consumers irrespective of the demands of other countries."

"A waiting your decision on my proposal of a joint debate between Governor Cox and Senator Harding that the great issue may be clarified," said the telegram made public tonight by Senator Harrison. "In addition to this I desire to propose that Governor Coolidge meet Mr. Roosevelt in joint debate for the same purpose."

## COLLEGE GIRLS HELPING TO SAVE BIG COTTON CROP OF ROBESON FARMER



## Strike of Million Miners Brings Crisis In England

### NEW PROHIBITION SNARL DISCLOSED

Great Britain Now Facing One of Greatest Industrial Upheavals In History

TALK OF SYMPATHETIC STRIKE ALSO LOOMS UP  
Thousands of Dock and Industrial Workers Already Idle As a Consequence

Washington, Oct. 16.—(By The Associated Press.)—Disclosure of a new prohibition snarl, in which three government departments and members of the diplomatic corps are involved, was made today when the State Department issued a formal statement saying it "assumes that no official of the government would attempt to pry into the baggage of a foreign diplomatic officer."

The unusual course of the State Department in making what appeared to be a public appeal to other government officials was adopted, it was learned, after the treasury had amended customs regulations so as to require the baggage of diplomats to be examined and liquor removed. Back of the action of the treasury, it was also disclosed, was an opinion rendered by the attorney general. It was not made public, but was said to hold that the Volstead Act with drew from diplomats the exemption from customs examination of their baggage hitherto accorded as a matter of international courtesy.

Diplomatic Irritation. Diplomats have made no formal protest. The State Department, however, has seen evidence of irritation among members of the corps in Washington. Differences have arisen between State and treasury officials on the question. Treasury officials, although reticent, let it be known that the discussion of the status of the diplomats' baggage began early last spring. The treasury was said to have formulated a policy then and asked the State Department for its views.

Possessing the possibility of embarrassment should baggage of diplomats be examined, the State Department sought and obtained a delay in issuance of the new restrictions. Late in August, however, Assistant Secretary Shouse, who has jurisdiction over both the customs and prohibition units of the treasury and whose resignation was announced only this week, applied to Attorney General Palmer for an opinion interpreting the Volstead Act on the point involved.

Stick to Dry Law. That opinion was said to be held that all importation of liquor was barred by the act. The State Department, however, is said to have made representations against the rigidity of the finding on the ground that international comity and law worked to the contrary. A second legal review of the act by the Department of Justice resulted and the State Department was again defeated in its contentions, it was said.

Upon receipt of the attorney general's opinion, said to have been written and signed by Solicitor General Frierzon as acting attorney general, Mr. Shouse assumed the customs regulations "to require examination of baggage and effects permitted free entry" into the United States. The change made amounted merely to deleting the words "without examination" from the customs act.

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## DECLARES HARDING TRYING TO WIGGLE INTO WHITE HOUSE

AT LAST A DAY OF HOPE FOR DROUGHT SUFFERERS

Washington, D. C., Oct. 16.—Sweet cider containing less than one-half of one per cent of alcohol may be manufactured and sold without permit under a ruling issued today. It must be marketed, however, in containers or so treated as to prevent fermentation with resulting increase in alcoholic content. Responsibility for this rests with the manufacturer.

## URGES EXTENSION OF FOREIGN TRADE

Senator Harding Advocates Expanding Banking and Marine Facilities

St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 16.—The extension of American banking and merchant marine facilities, coupled with more efficient development of an inland waterways system, were advocated here tonight by Senator Harding as steps toward the development of the nation's foreign trade.

Mexico, South America, Asia, Africa and Australia were designated by the Republican nominee as districts offering inviting opportunities for American foreign commerce. The establishment of an international financial system and the extension of the Merchant Marine would aid in developing trade with the more distant parts of the world, he said, while a co-ordinating policy of inland waterways development would open the way to Mexico and South American Republics.

The Senator's speech here, concluding his present campaign trip, was delivered at the end of a hot day of speaking across Indiana and Illinois. On the way here from Indianapolis he stopped at Terre Haute for an hour's meeting and made short speeches from the rear platform of his car in numerous other cities.

Quoting statistics of the nation's foreign trade, Senator Harding said in his night speech here that it was apparent Europe could not be expected to offer in the future the same market for American goods she had provided before the world war. The development of markets in other parts of the globe was particularly desirable because the demand there was for manufactured goods which America could meet easily.

"Our own government has signally failed to extend its industrial and commercial enterprises anything like the sort of encouragement and support which has been given British industries by the British government," said the candidate. "So far as we properly may we should co-ordinate all the facilities of finance, of domestic and overseas transportation, of tariff and trade agreements, of consular aid, in order to direct our foreign trade into new fields.

Open Up Trade Routes. "In the effort at expansion of foreign trade there must be consideration for two particular instruments of that trade. There must be expansion of American banking facilities and the opening of American trade routes under the American flag in the interest of American trade to all the countries with which we desire to cultivate larger commerce.

"We need once more to open the great waterways of the world for American commerce. Unrestricted competition between railroads and waterways is good for neither and thoroughly bad for the country as a whole. We might well learn a lesson from Europe, which before the great war had developed its waterways systems to the point where they carried an astonishing proportion of all traffic.

"The Mississippi river is the natural gateway to the sister republics south of us. I forego at no date time under a wise and steadfast foreign policy, a new era in our relations with Mexico a new epoch of development for all the regions of the Caribbean and beyond. We will not seek anything like the privileges of mere exploitation which must be our aim if given freely of opportunity and advantage to those by whose development we would hope in reasonable part to profit. We must make our friends and neighbors at Latin America all the way from the Rio Grande to Cape Horn, understand and believe that we seek no advantage for ourselves that shall not apply at least in equal measure of advantage for them."

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## Governor Cox Criticizes Harding's Twelfth "Flop" On The League Issue In Closing Ohio Campaign

### NOMINEE CONFIDENT OF VICTORY OF DEMOCRATS IN NOVEMBER ELECTION

Says Republican Candidate Left His Dugout After "Rejection" of The League In His Des Moines Speech and Is Crying "Kamerad, Kamerad" To The Hosts of Peace; Asserts Harding Deserves Present Tragic Plight and Adds "That Every Community Now Has Turned The Tongue of Bitterness Upon Him"

## GOV. COX SAYS JAPANESE QUESTION STATE MATTER

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 16.—The Japanese-California land controversy, Governor Cox said in an address late today, is a California question, and he said, the federal government should accept a decision of the State of California.

He said it would "most certainly" be a domestic question, not under the jurisdiction of the League of Nations.

Cleveland, Ohio, Oct. 16.—More charges against Senator Harding, his Republican opponent, of vacillation upon the League of Nations—"of contrived wiggling and wobbling"—were made by Governor Cox, Democratic presidential candidate, in a statement issued here tonight and in five speeches closing his three days' Ohio campaign.

Senator Harding's address yesterday at Indianapolis was the basis of Governor Cox's renewed assault. The governor declared that it was the senator's twelfth "flop" upon the league issue and he charged his opponent with "attempting to wiggle himself into the Presidency."

Harding Leaves Dugout. "That the Senator's Indianapolis speech was a piece of League wiggling, after 'rejection' of the League in the Republican nominee's Des Moines address, was asserted by Governor Cox, who pictured the Senator as leaving 'his dugout' and crying 'Kamerad, Kamerad' to the host of peace. The governor predicted victory confidently, declaring the issue was drawn and it calmly but happily awaits the hour to render the verdict."

"A great, great principle has been indicated in the hands of the American people," said the governor's statement tonight, following similar declarations in speeches to two large army crowds here and others at Elyria, Fremont and Clyde. "They are for the League of Nations. Spectacle Is 'Tragic' "When the Senatorial Oligarchy wrote the Republican platform at Chicago, it was deliberately made meaningless and vague. It was the vehicle which was to enable the Senatorial candidate to ride through the campaign assuming the attitude of all things to all people. To the Johnson followers, he said, what they desired to hear to the friends of Taft and Root and Wickersham, his speech was veiled innuendo and implication. In the face of the greatest issue in all the history of countries, it was unfortunate that a great political party did not take a more definite stand. It was pathetic to see its candidate attempting to wiggle himself into the Presidency. The spectacle has been tragic for weeks and every community now has turned the tongue of ridicule upon him. It is a circumstance unprecedented in the history of America.

## SAYS ELECTION OF GOV. COX ASSURED

Senator Pat Harrison, in Rousing Speech, Says Tide Turning To Democrats

## KLUTZ MAKES A HIT WITH MASTERFUL SPEECH

Great Crowds Attend Speeches at Democratic Headquarters at Washington; Mention of Wilson's Name Brings Ovation; Great Gathering of Bankers Opens Tuesday

Washington, Oct. 16.—Senator Pat Harrison of Mississippi, who is in charge of the speakers' bureau at Democratic headquarters in New York, told a large Washington audience of Democrats last night that the tide has definitely turned to Cox. In a rousing speech after the style of the late Buck Kitchin, of North Carolina, Senator Harrison assured the applauding Democrats that Governor Cox was as sure to be elected as the sun was sure to shine again.

The Senator said that Democratic headquarters in New York had passed through a cloud of despair, without money and without workers. But money was now coming in and in New York State alone 1,000 speakers are on the stump for Cox and the league, and that 10,000 are now campaigning throughout the country. He said the Democrats now had far more speakers on the stump than the Republicans, and that the Democratic speakers were far superior to their opponents. The Republicans, he declared, have only two first class speakers, Senators Borah and Johnson, while the Democrats had a score or more of equal ability. The Senator said Tammany was loyal and that the Irish were returning to the Democratic party in droves. The Irish did not have to be asked to come back. Harding had driven them back.

Klutz Makes Hit. At these headquarters on Pennsylvania Avenue, Democrats from every part of the country of all calibers and ages, men and women, come and are heard. One of the best speeches heard there this week was one from Whitehead Klutz, a lawyer from Salisbury. His name is mentioned as the president of the North Carolina Senate and some passages in his speech thrilled his audience.

Monday night in North Carolina, Virginia, Alabama, Georgia and South Carolina night. Edward E. Britton, secretary to Secretary Daniels, is scheduled among others to speak on that night. It is estimated that there are 25,000 voters from the different states lying in Washington. Of this number it is believed there are 1,200 to 1,500 from North Carolina, including the women. Practically everyone of these Democrats will vote by mailing their ballots.

## BODY OF MISSING BANK MESSENGER IS LOCATED

Camden, N. J., Oct. 16.—The body of David S. Paul, messenger of the Broadway Trust Company of this city, who disappeared October 5 with \$10,000 in cash and \$12,000 in checks, was found today near Mount Holly, N. J. The body was buried under two feet of earth.

Marks on the body convince authorities the man was murdered. The discovery was made by a farmer in a field at Irtick's Crossway, Burlington county, in the heart of the Pine district.

## TEXTILE WORKERS TO ACCEPT REDUCED PAY

Webster, Mass., Oct. 16.—Choosing between an indefinite shut down and a decrease in wages, about 2,000 employees of the S. Slater and Sons, Incorporated, South Village wools and worsted mills, will return to work on full time Monday, accepting a 15 per cent cut in pay. The present scale has been in force since June 1, when a 15 per cent increase was given and when the mills went on half time. The mill was closed Tuesday night because of "black business" and operatives were told to look for work elsewhere.

## SCENES OF WILD DISORDER RECUR AT LONDONDERRY

Londonderry, Ireland, Oct. 16.—Scenes of wild disorder recurred here last night. Curfew hour was again the theatre of fighting, the trouble beginning when a band of youths suddenly appeared and began firing pistols. They maintained a running fire and rival groups returned the shot. A hot fusillade was maintained for some time and pedestrians fled in terror. Soldiers were rushed to that section of the city and cleared the street.

## MEDICAL FRATERNITY NAMES OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

Boston, Oct. 16.—At the closing session today of the three-day biennial assembly of the Phi Beta Phi Medical Fraternity the following officers were elected: Supreme Archon, D. E. Tarnaglia, St. Paul, Minn.; Vice Supreme Archon, H. W. E. Walther, New Orleans; Secretary-treasurer, L. G. Lowery, Iowa City; editor, W. A. Fanelor, Minneapolis; Northern Praetor, E. C. Yates, Ann Arbor, Mich. The 1923 convention will be held in Chicago.