

Harding Wants League With No Teeth, He Tells America

"Association of Nations" Without Means of Enforcing Peace Would Suit Him to a Dot—Marion's Gusher Gushes Limpidly—Old Ladies' Statesmanship Expounded by Leader of G. O. Prattlers—Formally Accepts Nomination—Against Dictatorial and Autocratic Government—Has Lodge With Him in Proudest and Most Significant Moment of His Career—The Home Town Hears Real Veranda Address

(By the United Press)
Marion, July 22.—The ceremonies attendant upon the official notification of Senator Harding of his nomination for the presidency got under way early today. Flag-raising ceremonies were held on the Harding front lawn at 7 a. m. A delegation of a thousand Marionites called on the candidate to pay their respects this morning. At 10 a. m. a suffrage delegation headed by Miss Sue White of Nashville called to ask that Harding propose a unanimous Republican vote in the Tennessee legislature for suffrage. At noon a luncheon was held for the members of the National Committee, notification committee and other political leaders. The official notification ceremonies commenced at Garfield Park.

Marion, O., July 22.—Immediate declaration of peace and a new effort to form an "Association of All Nations," based on justice rather than force, was promised by Warren G. Harding in formally accepting the Republican presidential nomination here today.

Scoring the League of Nations covenant as the "supreme blunder," he lauded the senators who opposed its ratification as "sentinels on the towers of constitutional government." The nominee said he welcomed a referendum.

Harding opened his address with a broadside at "personal, dictatorial and autocratic government." He said "no man is big enough to run this great republic."

"Restoration."
"Our first committal," he continued, "is the restoration of representative popular government under the constitution through the agency of the Republican Party."

The speech, delivered at Garfield Park here, dealt with a multitude of questions. Preserved nationality with America retaining her independence although not holding aloof from the rest of the world should be the guiding policy, Harding declared.

The candidate stressed the necessity of a return to party government and pledged himself to cooperate cordially with Congress and to select a cabinet of "highest capacity" in which the vice-president should sit.

Prohibition.
As to prohibition, there is divided opinion and the recourse to repeal or modification is open but "we cannot nullify because of divided opinion," he said. And the law must be enforced.

"We have a 'plain and neighborly' understanding with Mexico, regarding American rights but our relations should be 'friendly and sympathetic,'" he said.

Touching on unrest, he said the remedy does not lie in repression, and assembly must be preserved.

Labor.
High wages should continue, but with them full value for the wage received, he said. Collective bargaining was endorsed.

Harding pledged a sincere effort to stamp out profiteering.

Reaffirming his opposition to government ownership of railroads, he declared the present transportation difficulties are due partly to "the withering hand of government operation" and urged that the government do its part in repairing the damage. He endorsed the budget plan, a merchant marine, ample naval preparedness and a small army, abundant aid for ex-service men and woman suffrage.

As to formal peace, Harding said: "I promise you formal and effective peace so quickly as a Republican Congress can pass its declaration for a Republican executive to sign."

DEATH OF CHILD.
Maggie Louis Howard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Howard, died at the home in Lenoir County Tuesday. The funeral was held Wednesday.

LODGE'S VIEWS ON LEAGUE OF NATIONS ARE HEARD AGAIN

Another Name for "Evil Combination" Attempted 100 Years Ago by "Holy Alliance," Says Notifying Harding

(By the United Press)
Marion, Ohio, July 22.—Henry Cabot Lodge today in his speech notifying Senator Warren G. Harding of his nomination for president denounced the League of Nations covenant submitted by the President as "another name for the evil combination which was attempted a hundred years ago by the ill-omened Holy Alliance." "It is not for us to enumerate and dictate to you the questions which must be dealt with," Lodge said, "for it is to you that we look to set forth the proper policies to be pursued by the Republican party both in the campaign and when charged with the responsibility of administration and legislation."

None of Our Business.
Lodge spoke at length on the league question and praised Harding for his conspicuous part in the defeat of the league as written.

"We have been and are quite ready to join in agreement with other nations for the extension of The Hague convention, for the upbuilding and codification of international law and the establishment of a world court of justice; for international conferences in regard to non-justiciable questions, and for arrangements to bring about a general reduction of armaments," he said.

"But when we are called upon to become an integral part of a permanent alliance of foreign powers, to engage ourselves in all the conflicts and disputes of Europe where we have no interest, to put ourselves in a position where the youth of the country can be summoned by foreign nations to fight and die in disputes not their own, we absolutely decline the proposition."

Republican Policy.
"Such has been the policy of the Republican party as represented in the Senate and such its policy shall remain. We are certain that you who so largely helped to frame this policy will when the executive authority comes into your hands, carry it out in such a manner that we can fulfill all our responsibilities to the world without binding ourselves to a league such as was submitted by the President."

Negro Farmers

To Hold State Meeting at Greensboro in August.

(By the United Press.)
Greensboro, July 22.—Monday, August 9, at 9 a. m., the Negro Farmers' Cooperative Unions of the State will meet in annual session in the A. & T. College auditorium. There are nearly 200 of these organizations in the State. They have done excellent work.

Aside from cooperative buying of groceries, feeds, seeds, fertilizer, lime, etc., by which they have saved thousands of dollars they have also taken the initiative in the various community movements for the improvement of farm and home conditions. The presidents and secretaries of these unions have been active in the interest of club and demonstration work.

THOUSAND MACHINISTS AT NORFOLK WALK OUT.

Norfolk, July 22.—A thousand machinists walked out here yesterday following notice by the Ironmasters' Association, a union of employers, that the open shop policy would be inaugurated tomorrow. This decree followed a demand by machinists, boilermakers and allied iron workers for increases approximating 25 per cent. with a 44-hour week. No discrimination against union men will be attempted, association officials state. Repair work on vessels in the port is seriously affected by the walk out.

SEVEN UNIONS ARE WILLING TO ABIDE BY BOARD'S AWARD

Others Not Heard From, While Telegraphers Said to Contemplate Strike

EXECUTIVES LAY PLANS

To Raise Additional Revenues, While Reports Say They Are Scheming to Double Cross Workers and the Public

(By the United Press.)
Chicago, July 22.—Seven railroad unions are reported to have definitely accepted the Labor Board's wage award.

The Order of Telegraphers has refused to consider the award. The Order of Conductors has not determined its attitude.

The trainmen's, switchmen's, engineers', shopmen's, locomotive firemen's, enginemen's and mates and pilots' organizations are said to have accepted.

It is reported that the telegraphers have issued orders for a strike vote.

Executives' Plans.
Washington, July 22.—The railroad executives meeting here, it is said, may ask the Interstate Commerce Commission for higher rates for mail transportation to help raise revenues to meet the \$600,000,000 wage award granted the workers.

Postoffice Department officials today said an increase in mail rates would probably result in higher postal charges.

Other means under consideration for raising the additional revenue are a half-cent a mile increase in passenger fares, an additional increase in freight rates, higher rates for transporting milk, additional charges for Pullman car privileges, raising the prices of commutation and multiple tickets.

Rumors say the roads are not making any attempt to keep down expenses so they can get the maximum award from the Interstate Commerce Commission. Reports circulated among union men say the roads will lay off a number of men as soon as they have secured the increases they are asking. Railroad executives here today said they know of no such plan.

KOHLER HOLTSCLAW IS CONVICTED OF MURDER.

Newton, July 22.—Guilty of murder in the first degree was the verdict of the jury in Catawba County Superior Court here yesterday in the case against Kohler Holtsclaw, former serviceman in the World War, who shot and killed John W. Gabriel at Terrell, Catawba County, December 29, 1919.

The trial began here last Thursday and has been hard fought by able lawyers for both the prosecution and the defence. The jury was out a little more than an hour. Holtsclaw is 24 years of age. His own testimony of the killing indicated that the homicide was the result of feeling between the two men about a young woman living in the section where the shooting occurred.

RESOLUTE WINS IN FOURTH RACE; RARE FINISH WITNESSED

Challenger in Half a Length Ahead—Same Lead as at Start — Handicap Gives Victory to the American Boat

(By the United Press.)
Sandy Hook, July 22.—After postponement had been once ordered, the Resolute and Shamrock ran the fourth race in the America's cup series yesterday, the American sloop winning by a close margin in one of the most spectacular races in history. The Shamrock finished half a length ahead, but the handicap gave the victory to the smaller craft. The series now stands: Shamrock, 2; Resolute, 1. The second race was called off at the expiration of the time limit. Yesterday the Shamrock led by 19 seconds. She gained a start of exactly 19 seconds at the beginning. The result was the most extraordinary ever recorded.

BULLETINS

WARSHIPS SHELL TOWN.

Rome, July 22.—Advises state that Italian warships have cooperated with artillery divisions in shelling the Albanian forces at Velona.

TROUBLE AT BELFAST.

Belfast, July 22.—Twenty men were badly injured when Unionist shipworkers expelled Sinn Feiners from the shipyards here today.

COX'S NOTIFICATION 7TH.

Columbus, July 22.—Formal notification of Governor Cox will be held August 7 at Dayton and the inaugural notification August 9 at Hyde Park, N. Y. It was announced today at Cox's office after a conference with George White, the campaign manager. Cox goes to Dayton tomorrow. He will remain there until his speech of acceptance is completed.

IRISH PROPERTY DAMAGES.

London, July 22.—Speaking in the House of Commons this afternoon, Sir Hamer Greenwood, secretary of state for Ireland, estimated the value of property in Ireland destroyed by the Sinn Fein at 2,005,772 pounds.

MORE RIOTING.

Belfast, July 22.—Rioting between Unionists and Sinn Feiners was resumed here this afternoon. The postoffice at Falls Roads has been wrecked. The police have fired on the rioters, wounding one soldier and several civilians.

MONTREAL IS THE SECOND PORT.

Montreal, July 22.—The port of Montreal, in relation to the value of foreign commerce passing through it, ranks second in the western hemisphere and seventh in the world, according to the annual report of the Harbor Commissioners covering port operations during 1919, which has just been issued.

SERGEANT TELLS OF FIGHTING AT JAIL; MOB FIRED FIRST

Price Declares Men Moved Against Squad Through Corn Field — Soldiers in Danger From Bullets When They Fired

(Special to The Free Press.)
Durham, July 22.—In a sworn statement last night Robert M. Price, a sergeant in the national guard, told of the first of the fights between the troops and alleged would-be lynchers at Graham Monday night. Price was in command of a detachment with a machinegun on one side of the jail when men moving through a corn field fired the first shots, he said. He ordered the men to fire after bullets had fallen dangerously near the squad. Snipers also fired upon men on the other sides of the jail, he said.

The funeral of James Ray, who was killed, was held at Graham yesterday. It was largely attended. Ray was an onlooker and not a member of the mob, according to accounts. Two or more others were wounded in the alleged attempts to rush the jail and lynch three negroes held for rape.

REFINERS PLAN TO GROW OWN CANE IN CUBA, IS REPORTED

Will Prevent Further Sugar Shortages — Department of Justice Hears \$33,000,000 Will Be Expended

(By the United Press)

Washington, July 22.—American sugar refiners are preparing to invest \$33,000,000 in Cuban plantations to grow their own product within the next few years, the Justice Department learned today.

Howard Figg, in charge of the department's campaign to reduce living costs, says this will prevent a future shortage.

Sweet Potatoes

Growing the Main Crop From Vine Cuttings.

(Special to The Free Press.)
Raleigh, July 22.—In sweet potato regions south of Virginia the main crop is very often grown from vine cuttings. The method or practice in these regions, North Carolina included, does not vary considerably. First, an area equivalent to about one-sixth of the land allotted to the crop is set to slips or draws. When these plants begin to "vine" or "run," cuttings 12 to 16 inches long are taken to set the remainder of the crop.

Some reputable growers heel-in their cuttings for a few days before planting in a trench, keeping them sheltered and watered. This encourages the roots to make a quick growth and consequently the cuttings start off more rapidly and vigorously when planted in the field. However, if cuttings are fully protected from wilting, the planting may be made directly with little probability of failure.

Plant cuttings four to five inches deep, leaving two joints out of the ground; firm the soil around the cuttings to insure good contact with the soil particles and consequently quicker absorption of soil moisture. Begin cultivation at once.

The advantages realized from planting vine-cuttings are:
1. Seed saving. Less seed need be bedded than if the crop were planted entirely from draws.
2. A disease-free seed stock for bedding the following season is practically assured, provided; no cuttings showing discoloration of the stem when out, or that may be suspected of being unsound in any way, are planted.

The only disadvantage from this practice is that the yield from draws or slips, which are cut severely to supply vine cuttings for planting the main crop, is very materially lowered.

BRYAN NOMINEE OF PROHIBITION PARTY FOR WHITE HOUSE

Had Said He Wouldn't Accept; Believed He Will Reject Leadership

WOMAN NAMED CHAIRMAN

Miss Brehm Presides Over National Convention of Drys at Lincoln — First Honor of Kind for a Woman in U. S.

(By the United Press.)
Columbus, July 22.—Chieftains of the Cox campaign are at work seeking to have William J. Bryan promptly decline the Prohibition party nomination.

Bryan's selection came like a bombshell among the Cox leaders. Ever since Cox's nomination efforts have been made to have Bryan publicly declare for Cox and the ticket.

Lincoln, Neb., July 22.—William J. Bryan is the presidential nominee of the Prohibition party. He was named by acclamation yesterday afternoon. Mr. Bryan previously had said he "could not accept." It was the first time the Prohibitionists ever named a candidate on the first day of a convention.

This morning word was awaited from the Commoner. His rejection is expected by many.

Miss Marie Brehm of California was elected permanent chairman, the first woman to ever hold such an office in a national political convention.

Anti-Saloonists Meet.
Washington, July 22.—The executive committee of the Anti-Saloon League meets here today to decide upon its course in the presidential and congressional elections.

Forecasts are that the committee's action will be the adoption of a "hands off" policy in the presidential campaign. It will throw all of its force into the fight to prevent the election of "wet" senators and congressmen.

A struggle is anticipated over the presidential campaign policy. James White of Ohio is expected to make a determined effort to have the body go on record against Cox.

Rev. Sam Small, editor and revivalist, is the principal Cox champion. He will present the meeting with a statement on Cox's prohibition stand—leaving Congress to decide the question without executive dictation.

Texan Named

Head of the Southern Publishers at Asheville.

Asheville, July 22.—The Southern Publishers' Association adjourned after electing Marcellus Foster of Houston, Tex., president and other officers. North Carolina drew no office. John Park of the Raleigh Times was named director for North Carolina, and R. E. Turner of the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot director for Virginia.

Conservation of newspaper was pledged. There will be no increase in consumption the remainder of this year over the last half of last year. Many of the Tarheel newspapermen moved to Waynesville for the meeting of the State Press Association.

Church Now

Fate of Former Saloon in a Wisconsin Town.

(By the United Press)
Weston, Wis., July 22.—This village has long wanted a church, but never afforded one until prohibition came. Even then its citizens were not wealthy enough to erect a building, but the man who for years had served good liquors with a free lunch came forward and said he had decided to go into another business. He offered the use of his saloon and dance hall for the church, and his home for the parsonage. The first Sunday the church was open he came into town from his farm, took a drink of water from the town pump and sat in the front row during the service.



THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINEE AND HIS WIFE.
Governor and Mrs. James M. Cox of Ohio photographed at their home near Dayton.

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