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NOT PARTISAN SAYS GOMPERS

Labor Neither Republican or Democratic But Confronted With Serious Issues

SCORES JUDGE TAFT

President Samuel Gompers Gets Into the Wordy War of the Past Week in a 3,000-Word Editorial in His Paper—Calls Upon Workers to Stand by Their Friends and Oppose Enemies—Republican Party and Candidate Endorse Injunction Abuse.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Washington, Sept. 28—Declaring that "labor is not partisan," that it is neither republican nor democratic and that the issues of the political campaign are more serious than have ever been presented, not excepting chattel slavery, Samuel Gompers, in an editorial in the American Federationist, out today, calls upon "workers" to stand by their friends and oppose enemies, whether they be candidates for president, congress or other offices, executive, legislative, or judicial.

Several thousand words in length, the editorial appears to be Mr. Gompers' contribution to the political "statements" which have checkered the political history of the past week.

President Roosevelt is told that he is mistaken when he says that "no responsible organization would hesitate to condemn the abuses against which Judge Taft's injunctions were aimed" and informed that the contrary is the fact.

Mr. Taft is attacked for his position as regards labor and the Van Cleave-Buck's Stove and Range Injunction is termed as "invasion of the rights of free speech," based upon the precedents furnished by Judge Taft's injunctions.

Mr. Gompers says: "Mr. Taft has never done other than uphold and defend injunction abuses. He has never in any public utterance intimated that he would favor the enactment of labor measures to limit and define the injunction power. Until he does that it will not be of much avail for President Roosevelt to say pleasant things about him to the wage-workers."

"The republican party and its candidate for president endorse the abuse of the injunction process and only promise to put a few patches on the method of administering the abuse."

"The thing to which we especially call attention in this Foraker matter is that it is evidence to anybody possessed of average discernment that Mr. Foraker may not be the only senator who accepts trust 'retainers.' If he were it would hardly be possible for him to 'deliver the goods' so successfully year after year. It takes quite a number of senators to defeat the will of the people, yet they have generally done it successfully."

HAS FIVE WIVES.

On That Account Chinese Citizen is Not Allowed to Land in America.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) San Francisco, Sept. 28—Although he has \$3,000,000 and is the largest landed proprietor in Hong Kong, Robert H. Bosman, who arrived on the steamer Korea yesterday, was detained on board the vessel and denied the right to land because he has five wives. Two of them are with him and three more are awaiting his return home.

Bosman made no attempt to conceal the facts and admitted to the immigration inspectors that he is a polygamist. His case will be given consideration by a special board.

Bosman was born in China, his father being a Briton while his mother is a Chinese. He says he will bring pressure to bear on the government to secure the right to land. He has a score of servants.

Tragedy in Camp.

Manila, Sept. 28—Lieutenant E. J. Bloom of the fourth infantry, was shot and killed Saturday night at Camp Jesman by Private Suttles, Company K, of the same regiment. Suttles then cut his own throat. Suttles died immediately but Bloom lingered until Sunday night. The motive for the murder has not been learned.

DELEGATES ARE GIVEN WELCOME

Cordial Expression of Welcome Greet Delegates to International Tuberculosis Con.

FOREIGNERS PRESENT

Commissioner McFarland Greeted the Delegates on Behalf of the People of the District of Columbia. Nearly Thirty Spokesmen, Representing as Many Foreign Countries, Participate in Simple, But Unique Exercises at the Beginning of the Congress—Names of the Several Speakers.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.) Washington, Sept. 28—Greeted with cordial expressions of welcome by representatives of the federal and district governments, the delegates to the sixth session of the International Congress on tuberculosis gathered at 11 o'clock this morning in the assembly hall of the New National Museum building. Secretary of the Treasury George B. Cortelyou, as the personal representative of President Roosevelt, delivered the principal address of welcome, and Commissioner Henry B. F. MacFarland greeted the delegates cordially on behalf of the people of the District of Columbia. Nearly 30 spokesmen, representing as many foreign countries, participated in the simple, but unique, exercises connected with the beginning of the congress.

In his address of welcome Secretary Cortelyou said, in part:

It is a great honor to be called on to preside over this distinguished gathering, and particularly to do so as the representative of the president of the United States, whose welcome and whose good wishes I am commissioned to convey to you this morning. In the name of the American people, for whom he speaks, he congratulates you upon what you have already accomplished, and upon the promise of much greater accomplishments in the beneficent work in which you are engaged.

Especially am I commissioned by the president to assure the delegates from foreign lands who have come here to our American capital, many of them from great distances, to confer with our delegates, that our people gratefully appreciate not only the interest, but the spirit of cordial good will which their governments have shown, and which their presence here testifies.

We are living in a day of great moral and material movements. It is a time of uplift, of widening vision, of deepening research, of broadening co-operation. The days when the people of the state or a nation sat idly by and left to desultory investigation the study of evils which gravely menaced the welfare of large numbers of people are passing away, and in their place we find concerted action, either under governmental inspiration or with governmental encouragement, which in many instances is enlarged into such potent international organization as this congress.

Worcester, Mass., Sept. 28—While world-famed scientists are discussing the subject at the Washington congress, Dr. Francis J. Brooks, just arrived in Massachusetts from Turkey, announces that he has discovered a positive cure for tuberculosis.

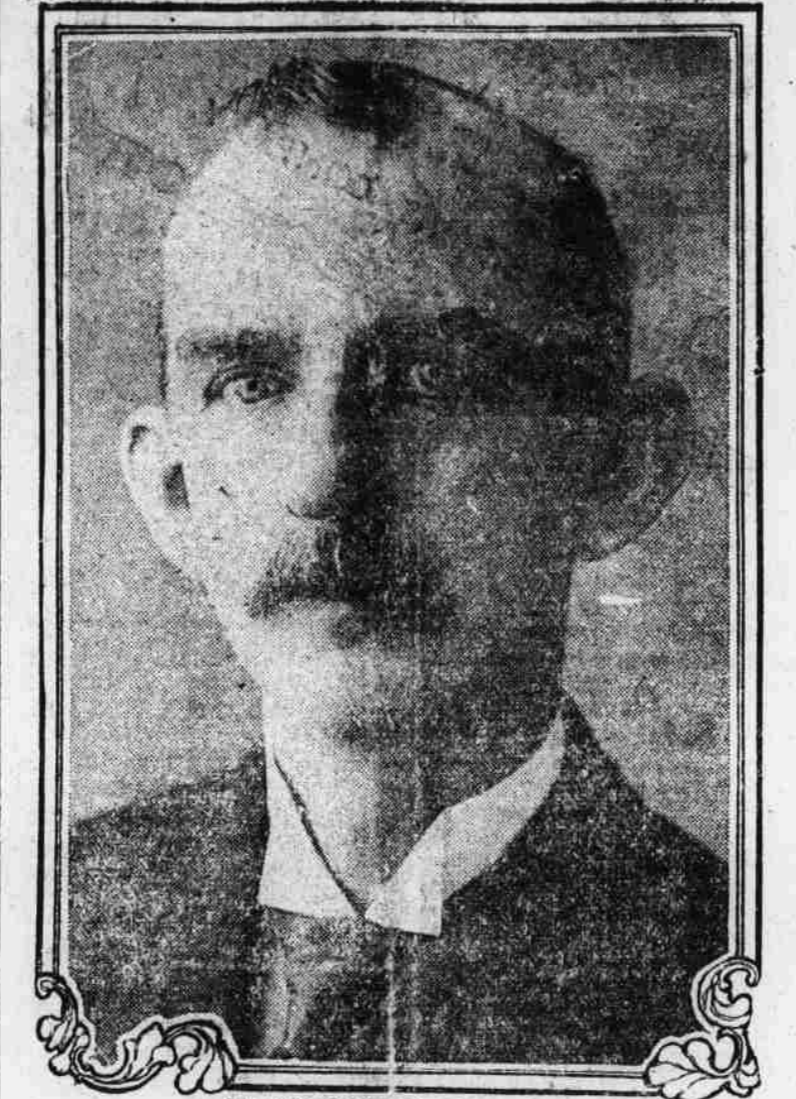
Dr. Brooks is a native of Denver and a graduate of the London college of surgery and medicine. He has been practicing in Constantinople for a number of years and claims to have cured many cases of tuberculosis in that city.

The new cure consists of nothing more or less than confining the patient to a room, the air of which has been permeated with a vapor, the nature of which Brooks refuses to divulge. This vapor is invisible, and, the doctor says, will kill the bacilli without injury to the lungs of the patient.

New Democratic Club.

Concord, N. C., Sept. 28—A Bryan and Kitchin Club was formed in Concord last Friday evening with J. D. Lantz president and H. R. Deaton secretary. This club, if not the banner club of the state, will have a tendency to make older clubs set up and take notice. The aim of the club will be to increase the democratic majority fifty per cent.

Will Take a Leading Part in The Republican National Campaign



Senator Murry L. Crane, of Mass., who at the request of Mr. Taft, will now take a leading part in conducting the Republican campaign.

SUMMARY OF THE FIGHTING DUEL POLITICAL NEWS OVER A GIRL

President Roosevelt issued a 5,000 word reply to Mr. Bryan and at the white house it was described as "Bryan's annihilation."

Mr. Taft refused to say whether he approved of President Roosevelt's participation in the campaign, or whether if elected, he would pursue a similar course four years hence.

It was reported that the leaders at republican national headquarters may ask President Roosevelt to be less active in the campaign.

Conflicting dinner engagements prevented a meeting in Minneapolis of Mr. Bryan and Mr. Taft. The suggestion of a meeting was made by Mr. Bryan and was agreeable to Mr. Taft. The republican candidate made an address to the Young Men's Christian Association.

Governor Haskell said: "I'll have a new chapter of Theodore the First every day from now until election day, showing him to be the greatest crook that ever sat in the presidential chair." He also said he would sue W. R. Hearst and various Oklahomans.

Mr. Hearst left for the middle west with a bag full of Standard Oil letters.

The Times' Cleveland article was, in effect, branded a fake by Mr. Cleveland himself, who in an interview with a reporter on March 28, said that he had not written a line on politics in nine months and would keep his hands off the approaching campaign.

Taking Chairman Hitchcock's own estimate of the expected falling off in the republican vote in the far west as a basis, calculations show that it would, if general, make the election close.

Senator Foraker said Mr. Taft "had better devote his entire attention to Bryan."

DR. POTEAT LECTURES.

Delivered First of College Series. Dr. Williams Preached—Mr. Newland Tonight.

(Special to The Times.) Wake Forest, N. C., Sept. 28—The first of the regular series of college lectures was delivered here Saturday night at 7:30 in the Wingate Memorial Hall before a large audience by Dr. E. M. Poteat, of Furman University.

Dr. C. B. Williams, an alumnus of Wake Forest, class '91, now a member of the faculty of Maylor University, preached here yesterday morning.

A CHAPTER EVERY DAY

Haskell Will Have Something on President

Says Roosevelt is the Greatest Crook That Ever Sat in the Presidential Chair and an Infamous Liar With Not the Honor to Admit it.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Guthrie, Okla., Sept. 28—"I'll have a new chapter every day on Theodore the First, from now until election day," said Governor Haskell yesterday, "showing him to be the greatest crook that ever sat in the presidential chair."

Governor Haskell has just returned from Chicago.

"My resignation was voluntary," he declared, "for I could not afford, if Bryan is defeated, to have the democracy say, 'If Haskell had got out of the way, Bryan would have been elected.' I am catching a fourth ward politician in the presidential chair and I wanted to look after his case."

Haskell, in a speech delivered in front of democratic headquarters here following a pathetic meeting with his wife at the station, referred to President Roosevelt as "an infamous liar with not the honor to admit it." He denied that he had ever taken office until pressed to do so and then accept it only for the dignity it would give Oklahoma and then added:

"I'll be in the present campaign to the last minute."

Haskell said he would start law suits this week against various Oklahomans and declared he would sue William Randolph Hearst, "to make him prove the charges he made against me were not true."

According to Haskell, too, an investigation is being made to discover all other persons who are jointly responsible with Hearst for the charges, in order to make them defendants also. He specified Dennis T. Flynn, republican nominee for United States Senator in the present campaign as responsible for the fight made on him.

THE NEW CHAIRMAN.

Herman Ridder Appointed as Successor to Mr. Haskell.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, Sept. 28—Following an excited woman who had told him that two men were about to fight a duel because of rivalry for the love of a girl, Policeman Otto Kahn, of the east 104th street station, early today found the men at 110th street and second avenue standing a few yards apart with revolvers raised to shoot. The appearance of the policemen disconcerted them and in the instant hesitation Kahn struck Benjamin Vitola, the older man, on the wrist with his night stick, breaking the wrist. The other duelist, Camuela Norton, started to run, but Kahn caught him and took his revolver away. They refused to tell the name of the girl for whom they were willing to fight. The men were locked up.

The appointment of Mr. Ridder as treasurer of the committee was made a few minutes before Chairman Mack's departure for the west. The chairman called up Mr. Ridder on the telephone and asked him if he would accept the position, and Mr. Ridder agreed to take up the work of securing funds to conduct the democratic national campaign. Mr. Ridder will spend much of his time in Chicago, where the main headquarters of the committee are located.

The appointment of Mr. Ridder came as a surprise to National Committeemen, who had been given to understand that a western man would be appointed. Mr. Mack said:

"I am very much pleased that Mr. Ridder has seen fit to accept the responsibilities of the treasurership. He is a very high type of the American business man, and one whose associations and connections will not bring him under charge of suspicion of having to do with those corporations to which democracy is opposed."

FAMOUS PORTRAIT SOLD FOR A DEBT

(By Leased Wire to The Times) New York, Sept. 28—There was placed on sale today in the rotunda of the county court house the now famous portrait of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, showing her in simple blouse suit with the inevitable turn-down white collar, purporting to have been painted by Harrington Mann, a prominent artist of Paris. The sale was for the benefit of Mrs. Elsie Hartwig, a fifth avenue milliner, who secured a judgment against Mrs. Thaw for \$235.

According to Mrs. Hartwig, Mrs. Thaw left the portrait with her as security.

The picture is framed in brass and is 12 by 14 inches. It is done in a general tone scheme of burnt umber. According to the story connected with the picture it was done by Harrington Mann upon order of the late Stanford White.

FIRE SITUATION BEYOND CONTROL

Fires Still Spreading and Only Hope of Relief is a Big Rain

SITUATION IS AWFUL

Several Small Villages and Camps in Adirondacks Been Wiped Out by Fires and the Situation Now Beyond All Control—Thirty-Six Days Have Passed Without Rain and Forests Burn Like Tinder—Probably Fifty Fires Now Burning. Praying For Rain.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Utica, N. Y., Sept. 28—Several small villages and camps have been wiped out by the Adirondacks fires and the situation is now beyond control of hundreds of fighters. Fanned by strong winds the fire regained its old headway and the best efforts on the part of the forest wardens did not avail. Several villages are in peril. Long Lake West, a village of about 100 inhabitants, was burned and the damage resulting amounts to perhaps \$150,000. The village contained a dozen buildings, a railroad station and a large storehouse, which supplied the camps for miles around. All were destroyed.

The preserve of Dr. Webb, at Nehassane, was threatened, and this city was appealed to for assistance. Fire Chief Sullivan and a force from the Utica department are now at Nehassane. Communication is entirely cut off and the last message received here was to the effect that several camps and hamlets were seriously threatened and that the fires were raging beyond all control.

A relief train was sent from here with 100 men prepared to fight as long as their services are required. A relief train also left Herkimer, and unless rain intervenes much more assistance will be necessary. Among other losses is a \$10,000 hardwood lumber pile and hundreds of cattle have been burned to death.

There is no telling how much havoc the fire will cause, or when it will be ultimately checked. Not only is there no indication of rain, but a wind has sprung up which is adding fury to the conflagration.

Fifty Fires Burning.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Newman, N. Y., Sept. 28—Thirty-six days have now passed without rain except for two sprinkling showers and the forests are like tinder, catching fire from the smallest spark. There are probably 50 fire now burning.

Prayers for rain are being offered in all churches. The loss from the fires has reached a large amount and unless rain comes much more damage will be done. A fire is reported at Saranac Lake. It is said a fire started there in the middle of the village, but was quickly got under control.

SUPERIOR COURT TERMS.

Begin in Nine Counties Today. Superior court convened in nine counties of the state today. Judge Ward presides in Perquimans, first district; Judge Lyon in New Hanover, fifth district; Judge Neal in Wake, sixth district; Judge Biggs in Brunswick, seventh district; Judge Long in Richmond, eighth district; Judge Council in Stokes, eleventh district; Judge Justice in Mecklenburg, twelfth district; Judge Murphy in Alexander, thirteenth district; and Judge Peebles in Haywood, sixteenth district.

One week terms will be held in Perquimans, Mecklenburg and Brunswick. In Wake, Richmond, Stokes, Alexander and Haywood, there will be two weeks terms. New Hanover has a three weeks term.

LIGHTING CIGARETTE THE CAUSE OF DEATH.

(By Leased Wire to The Times) Baltimore, Md., Sept. 28—Howard T. Smith, aged 18, struck a match to light a cigarette while in a launch in Curtis Bal, setting fire to the launch and losing his life while trying to escape.

The lighted match set fire to the fumes from the gasoline used in the engine and young Smith leaped overboard to escape the flames. He was drowned before assistance could reach him.