

COOLIDGE WILL GET SUPPORT OF HENRY FORD AT THE POLLS

Detroit Manufacturer Gives the President a Big Boost in Statement Regarding Political Ambitions.

SAYS HE WILL NOT OPPOSE PRESIDENT

Also Declared Mr. Coolidge is Man For Place.—Statement Received With Pleasure at the White House.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 19 (By the Associated Press).—Henry Ford today declared he "like a great majority of the American people" feels that the country is "safe with Calvin Coolidge."

"I believe it is the wise and natural thing for the people to agree on nomination and election of Mr. Coolidge," Mr. Ford said. "I am satisfied that 90 per cent. of the people feel perfectly safe with Coolidge and I feel too, that the country is perfectly safe with him."

"Mr. Coolidge has shown in these months of service a great many qualities that should please his countrymen. I think they all feel that Mr. Coolidge means to do right. And when a man means to do right so far as I have observed, it is usually quite easy for him to find the way to do right."

"Some people seem disturbed over the conditions which business will face during Presidential election year. Of course there must be an election. But there is no reason why business should be disturbed by it, if the people by common consent agree they should hold to a good man while they have him. Public sentiment can be so formed long before the election that there need be no doubt about the election."

"In addition to considering the interests of the people we should consider the interests of the President as head of the American government. President Coolidge has a position of highest responsibility. He should not feel compelled to take any course of action for any sort of political campaigning, and for the sake of country as well as his own sake, he should not have to do so."

Washington, Dec. 18.—Henry Ford's announcements in favor of President Coolidge furnished a double barreled sensation to political circles in the national capitol. In the White House it was received with undisguised satisfaction and it was said the President would send Mr. Ford a personal telegram of thanks.

Among the democrats there was an evident conviction that the air has been cleared considerably with respect to the nomination of a democratic Presidential candidate in 1924.

Everywhere among the old line party leaders the feeling was that no considerable Ford third party movement now seemed likely.

Coolidge and Ford Names Entered. Lansing, Mich., Dec. 19.—(By the Associated Press).—Nominating petitions entering Calvin Coolidge and Henry Ford as candidates in the Presidential primaries next April were accepted by the Department of State today.

WANT DELEGATES TO CONVENTION INSTRUCTED This Will Be Sought by Forces Supporting W. G. McAdoo.

Chicago, Dec. 18.—The campaign for instructed delegates to back the candidacy of Wm. G. McAdoo for the Presidency will be carried on in all states where his friends feel it advisable, David L. Rockwell, chairman of the McAdoo campaign committee, said in a statement today. He announced that Mr. McAdoo would seek an instructed delegation from Illinois.

Charlotte Men Bid on the Ford Plant. Charlotte, Dec. 18.—A half dozen or more Charlotte contractors are making up estimates this week for the construction of the Ford assembly plant on the Hutchison lands recently purchased on the Statesville road, the buildings to represent an investment of not less than \$1,000,000.

The bids are to be in the hands of the executives of the Dearborn plant at Detroit by Saturday. The award of the contract will be announced within a short time thereafter.

Would Not Wait for Uncle Sam. (By the Associated Press.) Greensboro, Dec. 19.—Postoffice employees here recently decided not to wait for appropriations for increased working space in the postoffice and built the addition themselves. A mezzanine floor 12 by 18 feet was constructed.

The material for the space was purchased by the postoffice officials and employees have been building it in their spare moments. It provides working space for about ten city carriers.

Big Bleachery For Asheville Assured. Pawtucket, R. I., Dec. 17.—The Sayles Finishing Plant, Inc., of Rhode Island, which has four large mills in this vicinity, announced today that it would erect at once a \$2,000,000 cotton bleaching and finishing and a modern housing community in Swannanoa river, four miles from Asheville, N. C.

Turkey has been a feature of Yuletide fare since the 16th century.

TUT'S DAZZLING COFFIN AMAZES ITS BEHOLDERS

Resplendent in Blue and Gold, Pharaoh's Shrine Banishes Presence of Death. Luxor, Egypt, Dec. 19.—All preconceived ideas of Tutankhamen's golden shrine were upset by the sight of this impressive coffin, for the first time disclosed in almost its full proportions by the removal of the partition wall, when a correspondent visited the tomb this morning.

The first impression of the gigantic receptacle for the dead, its sides resplendent with decorations of blue and gold, set against a background of brightly colored pairings on yellow, was almost overwhelming. The feeling was of something incredibly bizarre—something that seemed utterly to banish the presence of death in this casket of wonderful artistry.

One of the first details to catch the eye was the fact that the golden lid of the canopy does not, as one imagined from the view obtained from the opening in the wall, slope down from one end to the other. It rises again at the other end, giving a graceful effect which is declared by competent authority to be unique in Egyptology. The lid is not solid, but hollowed out, roofing over a space of about four feet between the first and second shrines.

In this space the correspondent was able to see—for the doors of the first shrine had been removed—a remarkable species of wooden rack or scaffolding, erected to carry the immense golden-encrusted linen pall, resting over the second shrine. It is very much like open wooden cage-work and is painted a glistening black, with heavily gilded, carved feet. In the front, where the removal of the doors of the first shrine renders it clearly visible, it is seen to be made of two parts, rather awkwardly bolted together with two large bolts, probably wooden.

From the top hangs the ragged ends of the pall, turned a faded brown by age, showing where the part which concealed the doors of the second shrine had broken away. This part of the pall, except for a small piece crumbling on the ground, has already been removed to the nearby laboratory.

The golden roses, about the size of a half-dollar, with which the pall is abundantly spangled, still sparkle in the rays of the powerful arc lights used by the excavators. These roses are certainly metal, but probably not gold—more likely gilded copper.

Behind the rack, the golden doors of the second shrine glisten dully, the two bolts, one above and one below, still sternly guarding the secret tomb. In the middle, set in either batten of the doors are two metal rings, set into the wood side by side, to which were attached the powerful arc lights, directly the excavating work, which recently removed. The doors are encrusted with completely obliterated hieroglyphs in the attitude of prayer, while above them is the projecting golden lintel of the second shrine, which is about seven feet high.

What impresses one more than anything else in the intriguing, festive air of this splendid sepulcher are the interior decorations of the walls of the shrine. These are chiefly golden, inscribed with endless lines of hieroglyphics with figures of birds, flowers and animals, set in a triple frame of broad, black lines. This contrast of deep black and old gold recalls the art of old China, or the decorative effect achieved by modern designers in Bauhaus, with golden ceilings and black walls.

Cartel left for Cairo tonight, ostensibly on private business, but it is believed his trip was occasioned by some discussion with the Egyptian Department of Antiquities. It is probable the work on the tomb will be suspended during his absence.

Urges Pedestrians to Walk on the Left Hand Side of the Road. (By the Associated Press.) Harrisburg, Dec. 19.—In an effort to reduce the number of accidents to pedestrians on the public highways of this state, the Pennsylvania Motor Federation is urging publicity for the recommendation of the American Automobile Association that persons on the highway, especially at night, face the traffic by walking on the left hand side of the road.

The national association has reached the conclusion, after a study of the situation, that most of the cases when automobiles strike pedestrians at night are due to the driver being partially blinded by the headlights of approaching cars and, swinging to the right, failing to see pedestrians. It is contended that if persons walking on the roads would face the traffic they would be better able to avoid being struck and also would be seen much sooner by the drivers of cars, approaching in the opposite direction.

Cotton Goods. New York, Dec. 18.—The cotton goods markets were very quiet in finished and unfinished lines today. Yarn prices had been marked higher by spinners but trading was done at irregular values. Fancy dress goods were offered more freely, in worsteds. Silks showed a moderate and steady improvement. Burlaps were quiet.

W. B. Bell, who for several years was secretary-treasurer of the old Monroe Cotton Mills, has returned to his first love—newspaper work. He is now associated editor of the Union-Republican at Winston-Salem.

WHAT SAT'S BEAR SAYS. Unsettled and warmer tonight and Thursday, probably rain.

Ask Bids for New Station at Winston-Salem. (By the Associated Press.) Winston-Salem, Dec. 19.—The Southern Railway soon will ask for bids for the construction of a station here to cost between \$700,000 and \$750,000, according to an announcement made by Henry W. Miller of Atlanta, vice president of the company. Mr. Miller's announcement followed a conference here with a committee of citizens.

Chester Concession Annulled. (By the Associated Press.) London, Dec. 19.—A telegram from Angora received in Constantinople, says that the commissioner of works yesterday notified the agent of Colonel Clayton-Kennedy of the annulment of the Chester concession for Anatolian development, says a Reuter's dispatch from Constantinople this afternoon.

New York is to have a skyscraper church. It will be located in the upper part of the city, and the cost is expected to be about \$4,000,000. Atop the temple, rising to a height of fifty-four stories, will be a thirty-two foot cross, the loftiest thing in New York City.

WHO SAID THERE WAS NO SANTA CLAUS?



THE COTTON MARKET

Opened Steady at Decline of 10 Points to an Advance of 7 Points. (By the Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 19.—The cotton market opened steady at a decline of 10 points to an advance of 7 points. Near months were relatively steady at the start, owing to the appearance of a few more December notices, but the general tone of the market was steady to firm with lower Liverpool cables, and bullish overnight spot advices from the South. January soon sold up to 34.61 or 35 points net higher, while May advanced to 35.21, or 31 points net higher, on covering and a renewal of Wall Street demand. The higher prices met a good deal of profit taking, however, and there were reactions of some 10 or 15 points from the best during the early trading.

SENATE DEADLOCK IS CONTINUED DURING DAY

The Insurgents Show No Disposition to Give in to Party Leaders. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 18.—While members of the ways and means committee wrestled today with a new problem confronting the House—priority for tax revision or soldier bonus legislation—the Senate resumed balloting on the chairmanship of the Interstate Commerce Committee with little hope of breaking the deadlock before adjournment tomorrow for the holidays. Senator Smith, of South Carolina, the democratic candidate, led all ballots yesterday, but an apparent division of the votes of Senator LaFollette's followers in the fight against the re-election of Senator Cummins with some of them planning to continue their support of Senator Cousins, of Michigan, was regarded as diminishing the likelihood of ending the deadlock before the recess.

1,562,681 TONS OF COTTON SEED CRUSHED

During the Period From August First to November 30.—Increase Shown. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—Cotton seed crushed in the four months' period August 1 to November 30, totaled 1,562,681 tons, compared with 1,683,600 tons for the same period a year ago, and cotton seed on hand at mills on November 30, totaled 764,506 tons, compared with \$75,431 tons a year ago, the Census Bureau announced today. Cotton seed products produced in the four months' period, and stocks on hand November 30, were: Crude oil produced, 458,249,813 pounds, and on hand 139,762,531 pounds. Refined oil produced, 288,288,683 pounds, and on hand 97,172,033 pounds. Cake and meal produced 714,736 tons, and on hand 178,062 tons. Linters produced 312,686 bale, and on hand 139,452 bales.

SEVERAL OFFICERS HELD ON FEDERAL WARRANTS

Sheriff, Former Sheriff, and Four Deputy Sheriffs Indicted by Grand Jury. (By the Associated Press.) Mobile, Ala., Dec. 19.—Sheriff Paul Cassals, former Sheriff W. H. Holcombe, Jr., member of the Legislature, and now a deputy sheriff, together with four other deputy sheriffs, and Frank W. Boykin, well known Mobile man, were arrested here today by United States Marshals on indictments returned by the federal grand jury which recently investigated alleged wholesale violations of the liquor laws in Mobile.

FREDERICK C. BILLARD IS GIVEN PROMOTION

Nominated to Be Commandant of Coast Guard With Rank of Rear Admiral. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 18.—Frederick C. Billard, of Maryland, serving with the rank of commander as aide to the commandant of the coast guard, was nominated today by President Coolidge to be commandant of the coast guard with the rank of rear admiral. He will succeed Wm. E. Reynolds, who retires on account of age next month.

Blames Churches for Self Righteousness

Greensboro, Dec. 18.—Although the churches are well organized, they are busy working among themselves and are not living up to their obligations in reaching the lawless element of the population, Judge T. J. Shaw declared in his charge to the Guilford Superior Court grand jury. His remarks concerned the conception of some people that the courts are reformative, corrective. Many who break the laws are never reached by the churches, he said, and all they are doing is to live up to their obligations in reaching the lawless element of the population, Judge T. J. Shaw declared in his charge to the Guilford Superior Court grand jury. His remarks concerned the conception of some people that the courts are reformative, corrective. Many who break the laws are never reached by the churches, he said, and all they are doing is to live up to their obligations in reaching the lawless element of the population, Judge T. J. Shaw declared in his charge to the Guilford Superior Court grand jury.

ATTEMPT TO INTERFERE WITH THE FOX JURORS

Bailiffs Had to Use Pistols on Men While Jurors Were Out Walking. Atlanta, Dec. 19 (By the Associated Press).—Bailiffs in charge of the jury sitting in the case of Philip E. Fox, on trial here, had to threaten to draw their pistols on six men who had attempted to forcibly interfere with the jurors while they were taking outdoor exercise early today, the officers reported to court officials. An investigation is now underway.

ANOTHER REPORT THAT RAHULI HAS PERISHED

Message Says It Is Probable That Notorious Bandit Chief Was Poisoned. (By the Associated Press.) London, Dec. 18.—Another report of the death of Mulai Ahmed Raisuli, the notorious brigand chief of Morocco, reached London today from the Tangiers correspondent of the Daily Mail. There is a suspicion, says the telegram, that Raisuli was poisoned.

Trinity College For Holidays

Trinity College, Durham, Dec. 18.—Trinity college closes down for the Christmas recess at 1 p. m. Wednesday, December 19, and college work will be resumed Thursday morning at 8:30, January 3, 1924. The college calendar called for the suspension of college work on Thursday, December 20, but owing to the fact that benefactors' day was postponed this fall the executive committee of the faculty decided to add one extra day to the Christmas holidays.

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BELIEVE TUCKER AND WIFE WILL SURRENDER

They Were Indicted on Two Counts Charging Conspiracy to Violate Marriage Laws.

(By the Associated Press.) Jersey City, Dec. 18.—Authorities today expressed the belief that Burton S. Tucker, 37 years old, and his wife, Mrs. Susan Simpson Tucker, aged 51, who were named in two indictments found yesterday charging conspiracy to violate the marriage laws and perjury would voluntarily return to defend themselves. The couple was reported to be at Southern Pines, N. C.

Tuckers Leave Southern Pines. Raleigh, Dec. 19 (By the Associated Press).—Mrs. Burton S. Tucker, 51, and her youthful husband checked out of the Hotel Belvedere at Southern Pines early today, according to information furnished the Associated Press over long distance telephone by a man representing himself to be Frank Welsh, Jr., clerk of the hotel. He declared he did not know whether the Tuckers were leaving Southern Pines and asserted he could give no information of their movements.

940,496 BALES OF COTTON GINNED SO FAR

This Is Report For North Carolina Prior to December 31st, Says Raleigh Report. (By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 18.—Nine hundred and forty thousand, four hundred ninety-six bales of cotton had been ginned in North Carolina for this season up to December 8, according to a report issued here today by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture. This represented a ginning to that date of approximately 150,000 bales more than in 1922.

Value of Poultry

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 19.—The value of poultry on the farms of North Carolina is now over \$20,000,000, according to an announcement made here today by the State College authorities in connection with the short courses to be offered to farmers of the State next month. Because of this large interest in the raising of chickens a special course in poultry-raising will be among the courses offered from January 9 to 16, the time selected for the special courses in farming. This course will be directed by Dr. B. F. Kaupp, Professor of Poultry Science and poultry investigator for the State Experiment Station. Due to the number of women and boys interested in poultry raising, it is hoped that a large number of them will enroll for the course, the statement of the College asserted.

Rebels Capture Merida

New Orleans, Dec. 18.—The city of Merida, capital of Yucatan, with a population of 100,000, was taken over by the rebels yesterday with General Lariga and the garrison declaring for Huerta, it was announced today by the Mexican consul general here. Indications were that the port of Progreso would fall into rebel hands, it was added. At the outbreak of the rebellion Governor Carrillo, a loyalist, arrested Lariga. However, he was released when he promised loyalty to Obregon. A few days later the General and the garrison took possession of the city, the consular dispatch stated.

URGES FARMERS TO USE ALL KINDS OF CROPS

Diversification of Crops and Development of Co-operative Marketing Urged. (By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 18.—The Federal Farm Loan Board urges the farmers of the country today to turn to diversification of crops and development of co-operative marketing as "the only sound basis for agricultural prosperity." Basing its observations on data supplied by the twelve Federal Land Bank presidents who have just concluded a winter conference here, the Board said conditions in the agricultural industry showed a "very satisfactory improvement" but it felt that full advantage of the situation might not be taken by farmers unless they diversified crops and organized for their sale.

NEWSPAPER MAN IS HEARD AT FOX TRIAL

Testified Concerning Time Fox Was With Notion to Kill Someone. (By the Associated Press.) Atlanta, Dec. 19.—Testimony attempting to establish a definite date as to when Philip E. Fox, through friends made the statement that "the voice of God told me to kill," was introduced by the State today at the trial of William S. Coburn, a Klan attorney, on November 5th. George Davis, a newspaper man, testified that he secured that statement for his paper from Dr. Linton C. Smith, a physician, on November 10th, after Dr. Ovensby, an alienist, Dr. Smith, Hugh Dorsey and Frank Hooper, two attorneys, had a conference with Fox.

Will Discuss Taxes First

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 19.—The House ways and means committee decided today to defer action on a soldiers' bonus until after it had considered administrative features of the Mellon tax program.

Hosiery Mill Burns

Elizabeth City, N. C., Dec. 18.—The Ideal Hosiery Mill was destroyed by fire of undetermined origin here today. The loss is estimated at \$100,000. Telephone and power lines in city were served by the blaze.

To Mobilize For Dry Campaign

Boston, Mass., Dec. 19.—A concerted church drive to end law evasion and make prohibition one hundred per cent effective throughout New England is the announced purpose of a citizenship conference to be held in this city next month under the joint auspices of the Massachusetts and Connecticut and the Greater Boston Federations of Churches. A large number of auxiliary organizations, interested particularly in prohibition, have pledged their support to the conference, and a general committee is to be appointed from the six New England states. Prominent speakers from several sections of the country have been invited to address the conference, the sessions of which will continue over three days.

Steak at Norwood Destroyed by Flame

Albemarle, Dec. 18.—A serious home broke out at Norwood at an early hour this morning which for a time threatened the entire business section of that town. The fire originated in the large store of Stinson Furniture Company. The flames soon spread to an adjoining building and but for the timely action of the fire fighters would have extended to other buildings.

Underwear Prices to Jump

New York, Dec. 18.—The recent upward turn of the cotton market will result in a 20 per cent. jump in the prices for heavy knit underwear manufactured for next fall, it was announced at a meeting of the ribbed group of the Associated Knit Underwear manufacturers today.

CONFLICTING NEWS COMES FROM CAMPS

State Library YELLOW RHO GRANDE

Both Rebels and Loyalists Declare They Have Been Making Progress in Fighting During Past Week.

ARMISTICE RUMOR IS HEARD NOW

Newspaper Man Says Both Sides Want Fighting to Cease.—Rebels Announce Capture of Merida City

Mexico City, Dec. 18 (By the Associated Press).—Press dispatches from Villa Hermosa, capital of the State of Tabasco, stated that rebel forces commanded by General Carlos Green, Fernando Segovia and Marcelino Lucero, which have been attacking Villa Hermosa for the past two days have suffered heavy losses in the bloodiest fighting of the present revolution. The forces of General Segovia and Lucero are reported to have suffered 100 casualties inflicted by General Vicente Gonzales, commanding Federal forces within the city.

Talk of Armistice

Vera Cruz, Dec. 18.—A Vera Cruz newspaper correspondent, telegraphing from Rinconada, 15 miles east of San Marcos, reports that an armistice is being arranged between the rebel and Federal forces, and that Huerta has communicated with Gen. Martinez, the Obregon leader, relative to a cessation of hostilities. The Obregon forces lost 100 men in their unsuccessful sally against the revolutionaries at San Marcos, says a statement issued at revolutionary headquarters. The rebel casualties were fixed at thirty.

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