

BRYAN SAYS FORD'S SUPPORT WILL HURT COOLIDGE'S CHANCE

Famous Democratic Leader Says Detroit Man's Support of President is Example of Rich Men's Policy

THEY FAVOR MEN WHO CUT TAXES

Mr. Bryan Says Mr. Ford's Action Also Shows Middle Class That He Was Not Interested in Their Cause.

(By the Associated Press.) Miami, Fla., Dec. 22.—Wm. Jennings Bryan, candidate for delegate to the National Democratic convention from this state, issued a statement today in regard to Henry Ford's endorsement of President Coolidge in which he states the reaction will hurt Coolidge instead of helping him. The statement follows: "The first impression made by Mr. Ford's statement will probably be favorable to President Coolidge's candidacy, but the reaction is likely to prove a damaging blow to the President. "Mr. Ford has been talked of as the candidate of the masses, his support coming from both Democrats and Republicans, who interpreted his candidacy as a protest against the reactionary policies of most of the republican leaders and some of the Democratic leaders. Mr. Ford as the millionaire champion of the poor people of the country would make an inspiring spectacle, but Mr. Ford loses his prominence when he joins with the rest of big business men in support of a reactionary candidate. "He will not carry with him any of the plutocrats, because they are already supporting Mr. Coolidge. The President's opposition to the excess profit tax made sure of their support, but Mr. Ford's desertion of the masses will create an irritation that will become more pronounced as the campaign approaches. The men who have difficulty in keeping their household expenditures within their incomes—the men who as a rule buy Ford cars—will resent the abandonment of their cause by one of the richest men in the country whom they regard as their champion. It has seemed as if their friend, Mr. Ford, had come to their aid. "The President Coolidge will suggest a companion word same, which usually accompanies the word safe when used to describe public men and political policies. Those who talk of a safe and sane candidate reflect upon the intelligence as well as upon the good purpose of the masses. President Coolidge will find Mr. Ford the most expensive booster who has yet climbed into his band wagon. His action emphasizes the deepening division between those with big incomes and those with small incomes."

DOCTORS KILLED TWO WOMEN UNKNOWINGLY

The Physicians Made Announcement of Facts After Investigation.

(By the Associated Press.) Columbus, O., Dec. 22.—Concluding several months' investigation, two prominent Columbus physicians, Dr. Jonathan Forman and Dr. E. J. Gordon, last night revealed that they had unknowingly administered poison to two women who died last September within a period of a week, and to a physician who recovered after having been dangerously ill for several days. All three were undergoing treatment for digestive disorders. The majority of the medical profession in the city aided Dr. Foreman and Gordon in their investigation, and when the cause of the deaths became known they requested their findings to be made public. The victim, Mrs. Minnie C. Davies, and Mrs. Nellie Paul, of Circleville, at first were supposed to have died of heart disease. It was found, however, that a preparation given them to aid in diagnosis contained poison.

Bar Association to Use Berangaria

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 22.—The Cunard liner Berangaria was selected for the American Bar Association's voyage to England next summer because Cunard officials changed a sailing date to oblige the association, as the United States Shipping Board officials had offered no encouragement nor suggested that they were interested in an effort to arrange passage on the Leviathan, according to Alton B. Parker, chairman of the committee arranging the trip.

Wood Makes No Comment.

(By the Associated Press.) Manila, P. I., Dec. 22.—By the Associated Press.—Gov. Gen. Leonard Wood, who has been returned from a month's visit to Java, today declined to comment on the dispatches from Washington telling of the introduction in the House of a resolution by Representative Frear, of Wisconsin, calling for an investigation of the American administration in the Philippines.

Expect Disappointments, but Scorn Defeat.

Be a reformer of you will, but begin on yourself.

NOTICE!

Current will be off Sunday afternoon from one to four-thirty. WATER & LIGHT CO.

Alley Cat



An "alley cat" won a blue ribbon at the Atlantic City Show at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York City. "Snoozer" is the cat's name.

MEMBERS OF ARGENTINE PARLIAMENT VISIT STATE

To Get First Hand Information For a Road Building Program.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 22.—Jacinto Llodio and M. Jose Barbach, members of the Parliament of Argentine Republic, left here yesterday after a study of road conditions in North Carolina, according to the State Highway Commission. The two parliament members came to North Carolina to get first hand information for a road building program which is planned will be inaugurated in the South American republic. They spoke enthusiastically of North Carolina's progress in road building but said that Argentine could not hope to go ahead with such a tremendous program in the near future. It is the plan of the Argentines, said their representatives, to begin with a program calling for the construction of sand clay roads and later, perhaps, to get to work on hard surfaced projects. The Parliament members remarked that North Carolinians were being spoiled by their wonderful road system when compared with other sections of the world. One of them added that if a stretch of road costing \$30,000 per mile, the approximate cost of hard surfacing, were to be suggested for Argentine that the people would think the person suggesting it had gone mad and that the project for the Argentine will be far ahead with a much more modest program until the people are thoroughly converted to the road roads idea. The South Americans left for California, where the road system of that state will be inspected after which they will attend the Good Roads Show at Chicago. The coming of the Argentines adds to the long list of representatives of various countries who have come to inquire into North Carolina's methods of completing a road program. In the past, since the inauguration of the road building program voted in 1921, there have been officials from Italy, France, Spain, Argentine, Sweden, Japan, Canada, and China as well as representatives of many states in the Union. Officials of Australia also have written for detailed information on road building.

THE COTTON MARKET

Liverpool Made Relatively Firm Showing and Opening Was Fairly Steady.

(By the Associated Press.) New York, Dec. 22.—The cotton market was very quiet early today with traders attributing the greater part of the small business to further evening up for over Christmas. Liverpool made a relatively firm showing and the opening here was fairly steady at an advance of 6 to 11 points. Prices sagged off several points after the call under realizing but after selling at 34.80 January rallied to 34.70 or 15 points net higher on covering and other months made similar fluctuations. Private cables reported a healthy undertone in Liverpool owing to a moderate trade demand and small offerings. Cotton on shipboard awaiting clearance at the close of business yesterday was estimated at 124,000 bales, compared with 151,000 last year. Cotton futures opened steady. Dec. 36.25; Jan. 34.88; March 35.30; May 35.42; July 34.53.

Another Report of Raisuli's Death.

(By the Associated Press.) Gibraltar, Dec. 22.—Moors he arrived here today from Tangier, state that Raisuli, the Moroccan bandit leader, died December 19th and was buried the following day. Official confirmation of the death, however, is still lacking.

Space Occupied by the engines crew of an ocean steamship is not calculated in the "registered tonnage," as it has no real commercial value, and cannot be used for either passengers or cargo.

WHAT SAT'S BEAR SAYS.

Rain tonight and Sunday; cooler in interior Sunday; colder Sunday night.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS FOR UNCLE SAM



ATTORNEYS FOR FOX TO SEEK NEW TRIAL

He Was Given Life Sentence After Being Convicted of First Degree Murder.

(By the Associated Press.) Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 22.—Mrs. Margaret Weaver, under indictment as an accessory before the fact, on connection with the slaying of Wm. R. Coburn, known as "King" since he has been arrested in Birmingham, officials in Solicitor General Boykin's office announced today; Birmingham officials said there was no question about the identity of the woman. Philip E. Fox was found guilty last night of first degree murder for the shooting of Coburn by a jury in Fulton County Superior court. The verdict carried a recommendation of mercy and he was sentenced to life imprisonment. His attorneys are expected to file a motion for a new trial today. While the motion is pending, Fox will remain in Fulton County tower.

Tuckers Leave to Face Trial in New Jersey.

Southern Pines, Dec. 21.—Mr. and Mrs. Burton S. Tucker left here today by automobile, presumably for Jersey City, N. J., where they are under indictment on charges of perjury and conspiracy to evade the marriage laws of the state. The Tuckers will return to Southern Pines after their difficulties in New Jersey are settled, friends of the couple stated. Their re-marriage at Carthage, yesterday, when the groom gave his age as 17 and the bride her's as 46, was performed so that they still would be legally married in North Carolina even though the New Jersey marriage performed at Union Hill, October 2nd, should be annulled.

With Our Advertisers.

Perfumery, domestic and imported in Christmas packages at Gibson Drug Store.

Special Sunday dinner at the Carolina Cafe tomorrow. See menu in new ad. today.

Shaving mirrors at Gibson Drug Store. Plum lugging individual size 12 1-2 cents large size 25 cents.

Pipes and smoking tobacco at Gibson Drug Store.

Sewing baskets at Gibson Drug Store.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS TO FOUR STATE PRISONERS

Men Whose Sentences Expire Before January 10, 1924, Pardoned by Governor.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, Dec. 22.—Because their sentences expired prior to January 10th, 1924, and having in mind the spirit of the Christmas holidays, Governor Morrison shortly before noon today pardoned four prisoners from the State prison. He already he paroled five prisoners. Those to whom the Governor granted pardons follow: Foy Tiley, Forsyth county, highway robbery. John W. Tiley, Forsyth county, highway robbery. Bryant Whitaker, Yadkin county, larceny. Hobart Arrington, Buncombe county, larceny.

STATE TO GET MEDALS OF KIFFIN ROCKWELL

Medals of American Killed in France Sent by His Brother, Paul Rockwell.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, Dec. 22.—Col. Fred A. Olds, collector of the Hall of History, today received a letter from Paul Rockwell, at Paris, France, stating that he was sending the war medals won by his brother, Sergeant Kiffin Rockwell, a member of the Lafayette Escadrille, who was killed in action. The medals include the Cross of the Legion of Honor, commemorative medal of the great war, with volunteers class, the French Victory Medal, and the wounded ribbon.

ENGINEER KILLED WHEN DIXIE LIMITED WRECKED

Fast Train of N. C. & St. Louis Was Wrecked in Georgia, Engine Turning Over.

(By the Associated Press.) Marietta, Ga., Dec. 22.—Engineer J. W. Brown was killed and two members of the crew slightly injured, when the Dixie Limited, of the Nashville, Chattanooga & St. Louis Railroad, was wrecked at Kenesaw, near here, this morning. The engine turned over and the baggage car and two Pullmans left the rails. H. C. Young, fireman, and J. M. Baldwin, brakeman, received cuts and bruises.

Kansas Prisoners Paroled.

(By the Associated Press.) Lansing, Kans., Dec. 22.—Twenty-five convicts serving terms at the Kansas penitentiary here are at liberty on 15-day Christmas paroles granted by Governor Davis. They are on honor to return at the expiration of that period.

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DISTILLERY ROBBED BY BAND OF MASKED MEN

Three Guards Shookled by Robbers Who Carried Whiskey Off in Trucks.

(By the Associated Press.) Baltimore, Dec. 22.—A score of armed men and a fleet of trucks last night swooped down on the Gwynbrook distillery warehouses at Gwynbrook, hauled the three guards, and broke into two of the whiskey stock buildings. An army of state, city and county police under national guardsmen on motorcycles, scoured the countryside for the bandits, who fled just in time to escape the closing net. Four men were captured in motor trucks, half a dozen others escaped abandoning two trucks. More than 40 barrels of whiskey, valued at \$80,000, was stolen.

RELEASE PRISONERS TO END RAILROAD STRIKE

Vurlen Orr and L. A. Wise Given Furloughs by Governor McKee of Arkansas.

(By the Associated Press.) Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 22.—Governor Thos. C. McCreary today issued furloughs for Vurlen Orr and L. A. Wise, former railroad strikers, whose release from the state penitentiary was one of the conditions of an agreement reached yesterday at Harrison, Ark., for termination of a strike declared nearly three years ago against the Missouri & North Arkansas Railroad.

ANOTHER STEP IN NEW LIQUOR TREATY

U. S. Answers Counter Draft Sent Recently by the British Government.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 22.—Negotiations with Great Britain for a special liquor treaty have progressed another stage with the transmission to London of American suggestions in connection with the British counter draft of the original American proposal. The London government now is considering the American suggestion and an agreement is expected in the near future.

Whiskey Ship Aground Off Frying Pan Shoals.

Wilmington, Dec. 21.—The British schooner Awasind, bound from Nassau to Halifax, Nova Scotia, laden with 2-218 cases of whiskey, went aground on Frying-Pan shoals this morning. It was reported here by coast guardsmen. She was pulled off by two coast guard launches assisted by a pilot boat and taken to Southport harbor in a leaking condition. She will be brought to Wilmington coast guardsmen said.

Airships Carrying two hundred passengers, mails, and baggage, and capable of traveling twelve thousand miles in one flight at a speed of eighty miles an hour, are the feature of a new scheme for bringing Australia within a week's journey of London.

Walks



Mlle. Mistinguette—owner of the \$1,000,000 pair of extremities—takes them for a walk in Central Park, New York City. The French actress, it can be said candidly, attracts a great deal of attention on her morning walks.

HIGHWAY REPORTS FROM EVERY STATE SHOW GAINS

Hard Surface Roads Now Aggregate 423,000 Miles in United States—North Carolina Stands Eighth.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—Surfaced roads in the United States now total nearly 423,000 miles, the Bureau of public roads has announced. At the close of 1921 the total was approximately 387,000 miles, and a little more than 35,000 miles were constructed in 1922. It is believed 1923 construction will not fall short of the previous year's record. The mileage by States, including all public roads outside the limits of incorporated towns and villages, follows:

Table with 2 columns: State, Miles surfaced road Jan. 1, 1922, and Miles surfaced road in 1922. Lists states from Alabama to Wyoming with corresponding mileage figures.

*Data approximate.

HUERTA REBELS SAY

THEY DO NOT SEEK TO END REVOLUTION

Deny That Overtures For Peace Parley Will Be Entertained by Their Faction That is Waging Warfare.

REVOLUTION IS GREAT SUCCESS

The Rebels Declare, and According to Them Obregon Chieftains Are Joining Their Ranks Daily.

(By the Associated Press.) Galveston, Texas, Dec. 22.—Emphatic denial that overtures for a peace parley will be entertained by the De La Huerta government was contained in an official dispatch from Alvarez del Castillo, secretary of foreign affairs for De La Huerta at Vera Cruz, received here today by Adolfo Jimenez, rebel agent.

"The revolution is triumphing everywhere," the message declared. Gen. Terrazos, Obregon chieftain, yesterday appeared at the De La Huerta headquarters in the field an entered the rebel fold with all his men, according to a dispatch from Vera Cruz.

Rebels Evacuate Puebla.

Vera Cruz, Dec. 22 (By the Associated Press.)—The rebels have evacuated the city of Puebla "for reasons of military expediency," it is announced by their headquarters here. They had held the city for several days.

The results of General Canche's conference with the other rebel generals at Esperanza is being kept secret but Gen. Villera, one of the participants in the conference is quoted as saying they were satisfied in every respect, having served to demonstrate that perfect accord exists among the insurgent leaders. The discussion, he said, showed the Generals in agreement both on political and military aims.

After the conference the rebel general communicated by telegraph with General Estrada, who commands the western forces of the insurrectionists. A correspondent with Jose Villaveva's column reports that General Cavazos, commander of the government vanguard near San Marcos, has announced his conversion to the rebel cause.

"Fighting is reported to have been in progress since Thursday near Santa Lucrecia. Advances late yesterday afternoon were that the attacking forces had gained considerable territory from the federals, who, however, were resisting energetically. Sixteen wounded men have arrived here.

Advance on Mexico City.

Galveston, Dec. 22.—Rebel armies under Gen. Cavazos have begun the advance on Mexico City, according to an official dispatch received here today by A. Jimenez, rebel agent.

TO PUBLISH NAMES OF BOOTLEGGERS' CUSTOMERS

This Decision Will Take Away Christmas Joy For Some Washington People.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, Dec. 22.—Some more joy was taken out of the Christmas season today by a public threat from the District Attorney's office to prosecute those whose names appear on a long and imposing list of customers seized yesterday in a raid on what the police describe as a powerful syndicate of bootleggers. Regardless of the social, political or official prominence of persons who are shown to be purchasers of liquor from alleged syndicates," said District Attorney Pressmont "prosecutions will follow and the names will be placed before the grand jury.

"From statements from the police it looks as though a scandal in Washington may be precipitated by such action, but when a conspiracy case is made against sellers of liquor, there is no reason why buyers should escape prosecution."

Alice Says Good-Bye.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19.—Miss Alice Robertson, former Congresswoman from Oklahoma, has told her Washington friends good-bye and will leave soon for her old home at Muskogee. She went to the White House today to say a parting word. As she came from the Executive office she twirled a rose on a long stem, the gift of Private Secretary Sleep.

Miss Robertson said she loved her State and its people, and would spend her final days with them. She is bidding farewell to active politics. Women suffragists did not like Miss Robertson. She would not go along in their campaign. She opposed many of their pet programs for Congress.

Mirabile Dictu—An Editor Declines a Drink.

Janesville Wis., Dec. 20.—The editor of a local paper declined an invitation Wednesday of a drink proffered by Dennis Smith, sheriff of Jefferson county, Wis. The editor published a story about it. Jefferson county citizens have petitioned Governor Blaine to remove Smith. The newspaper yarn says the sheriff phoned the editor:

"I am about to open a bar in the jail, and want to know if you won't come up and have a drink."

"Oh, you must be the sheriff of Jefferson county, then?"

"Yes, I'm Sheriff Smith, and I'm just opening the bar for the evening and thought maybe you'd like a drink."

It is alleged the sheriff has had a man supposed to be serving a seven months' sentence produce drinks and offer them to visitors to the jail.

Merry Christmas to All Greetings. The season's great heart has forgotten no one—Though gallet or hut be his place. The feel of Good Cheer his pathway has found. To give with a plentiful grace.

PERFUMERY Domestic and Imported In Christmas Packages GIBSON DRUG STORE