

DEMOCRATS HOLDING STATE CONVENTION IN RALEIGH TODAY

Selection of National Committeemen is the Biggest Work to be Done at the Convention.

EVERETT MAKES KEY-NOTE TALK

Secretary of State Touches On the Work of the Party in the State, and Also Talks National Matters.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, April 17.—With democrats from all sections of the State in attendance the state democratic convention was called to order here at noon today by John G. Dawson, of Kinston, state chairman.

Long before the opening hour the hall was filled with men and women, chiefly men, who were gathered about in groups. Each of the hundred counties had been assigned to sections of the hall, and following the practice of past years many of the county delegations consisted of "all democrats in good standing," though the vote was limited to that determined by the registered voters.

W. N. Everett was introduced as the keynote speaker, and in his address touched on the work of the Democratic party in its control of state affairs, and incidentally on its work in national affairs.

The National Democratic Convention in New York in June will name the next Chief Magistrate of the United States, declared Secretary of State Everett.

Secretary Everett delivered a thirty page prepared address in which he outlined and compared the successful and constructive policies and administration of Woodrow Wilson with that of his successor. He related how the government had been run for the people while the Democratic administration was in power and called upon the "corrupt and malicious" practices in government for the "favored few" by the Republicans now in power.

In national government affairs during the last Democratic administration was pointed out and the duties of the State under her own policies were pointed out. A constructive plan for the economic development of the state and its resources was submitted by Mr. Everett, as well as details of finance and revenue.

In sounding the "keynote" of the Convention, Mr. Everett said, "All signs point to victory in November—not merely for success to the immortal party to which we belong, but a verdict for return to our government from the hands of Privilege and Corruption. The record of the national administration has shamed the American people and they will go to the polls this fall and punish the party whose selected agents have prostituted it to selfish and base needs."

"Teapot Dome," he said, "has loomed large in recent events. It was due to a North Carolinian, Josephus Daniels, then Secretary of the Navy, that this increase in the Naval oil reserves was provided and due to him that as long as he was in office these reserves were sacredly held 'for the exclusive use of the Navy.'"

Bringing his speech to a discussion of strictly state matters the Secretary of State declared that the people of North Carolina are bent upon building a great state on the basis of public education, public highways, and public health. The will of the people are definitely fixed upon these agencies, he asserted, and they are willing to pay the bill and they can not be stampeded by talk about taxes.

The chief work before the convention for the afternoon was the adoption of a platform and election of four delegates at large to the national convention at New York. Credential committee and platform committee got to work soon after the convention convened.

Big Crowd in Attendance. Raleigh, April 17. (By the Associated Press.)—Late in getting underway, the Democratic State convention was called to order today by State Chairman John G. Dawson, of Kinston, at 12:15 o'clock. An invocation was pronounced by the Rev. W. A. Stansbury, of the Edenton Street Methodist Church. The city auditorium was packed with delegates long before the opening of the

BAILEY POINTS OUT SOME OF HIS PLANKS

The Candidate for Democratic Honors Makes Public Many Things That He Is Now Advocating.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, April 17.—Josiah W. Bailey, candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, declared last night in a speech here that he favored repeal of foreign stock exemption from the tax laws of the state, favored increase in the railroad franchise taxes, a removal of some of the present taxes upon land and some readjustment which would give back to the counties certain of the taxes now collected by the state. He asserted that measures would help relieve the burden on land.

In the course of his speech Mr. Bailey declared that these measures constituted the chief planks in his tax reform program and invited his opponent for the nomination, Angus W. McLean, to meet him on the same platform and present his views to the same audience.

Shortly after last night's meeting Mr. McLean's manager issued a statement that Mr. McLean would not meet Mr. Bailey, as he felt the public was well able to choose between the programs put forth by both candidates and decide which one it favored.

STATE MEDICAL SOCIETY HAS COMPLETED WORK

Adjournment Taken This Morning After New Officers were Formally Inducted Into Office.

(By the Associated Press.) Raleigh, N. C., April 17.—The 71st annual convention of the North Carolina Medical Society adjourned here this morning after officers who were elected at yesterday's meeting were formally inducted into office. The business of the society was practically completed yesterday afternoon.

The society this morning adopted the usual resolutions of thanks for the hospitality of local officials and citizens and then inducted into office the following: President, Dr. Albert Anderson, Raleigh; vice presidents, Dr. W. L. Dunn, Asheville, Dr. A. E. Bell, Mooresville, Dr. K. G. Averitt, Cedar Creek; Secretary and Treasurer, Dr. L. R. McBrayer, Aberdeen. Pinehurst was selected as the meeting place for the Society in 1925.

Gland Rejuvenation Only Temporary, Says Scientist

Berkley, Calif., April 17.—Rejuvenation by means of gland operations is only temporary, in the opinion of Professor T. C. Burnett, of the University of California department of physiology. "The apparent improvement following the grafting of glands will remain temporary," the professor explained, "until our knowledge of the physiological aspects of glandular activity is more fully advanced. From what is known of body glands, it is logical to assume that if we could resupply the secretions which are responsible for our vitality and youth, we might thrust old age to the back stage."

"Newspapers are too enthusiastic on the subject. They jump ahead of the experimenters and medical men to get a spectacular story. This policy has its effect on the public. Every one leaps to startling and unfounded conclusions, and the result is a lack of critical judgment which is essential in the consideration of such a complex subject."

Baptists in Japan Take Action

(By the Associated Press.) Tokio, April 17.—The American Baptist Mission of Japan today adopted a resolution condemning a proposed exclusion of Japanese from the United States as "unnecessary and unchristian."

convention. As each Democratic leader entered the hall and was recognized he was lustily cheered.

The first business of the convention was the sending of reports of district conventions by Mark Squires, secretary of the convention, each nation was provided to R. O. Everett, counsel for Weigand.

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Eddie McKenna, the western bantamweight, has been selected as the opponent for Pancho Villa at the Cleveland show on April 23, which will mark the reopening of the boxing game in the Forest City.

Record Flier



Mrs. Oliver Atkey is the first woman to fly across the English Channel with a passenger. She is also the first woman to obtain an English air pilot's license.

THAW TAKES STAND IN TRIAL FOR FREEDOM

Was Asked Only Few Questions By His Own Counsel and Counsel Opposing Him.

(By the Associated Press.) Philadelphia, April 17.—Henry K. Thaw, flushed and confident, testified for a brief period in his own behalf in his sanity trial today. Then his lawyers dramatically turned him over to the other side for cross examination.

Thaw seemed self-possessed. Former Judge John M. Patterson, his counsel, asked Thaw only five questions. Seemingly the attorneys for the opposition were greatly surprised when he was turned over to them so quickly. Arthur G. Dixon, counsel for the trustees of the Thaw estate, and Wm. A. Gray, representing Evelyn Nesbit, Thaw's divorced wife, whose 13 year old son has intervened in his own behalf, discussed the case with the alienists supporting their views with great earnestness.

At the end of 5 minutes Mr. Dixon said, "We have no questions to ask." Thaw smiled and left the witness stand.

Another brief conference followed among the attorneys for Thaw. They were not prepared to have the jury granted their client, and asked for a recess until this afternoon, which was granted.

PROCTOR WILL TESTIFY BEFORE OIL COMMITTEE

Man Who Managed General Wood's Campaign in 1920 Called Before the Committee.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 17.—William Cooper Proctor, of Cincinnati, notified Senator Walsh, of the Senate oil committee, today that he will arrive in Washington tomorrow in response to a committee subpoena served on him yesterday. He financed the campaign of General Wood in 1920 and is to be questioned concerning campaign contributions and happenings at the Chicago convention.

Weigand's Attorneys Are Prepared For Shift Fight

Durham, April 16.—A hearing into the legality of the extradition of Carl Weigand, Chapel Hill attorney, from this state by O. C. Kaffits, Ohio officer, and George T. Featherstone, chief of police of Chapel Hill, yesterday will be held in Lynchburg, Va., Friday, according to R. O. Everett, counsel for Weigand.

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Miss Coltrane's Name Placed Before the D. A. R. Congress

H. E. C. Bryant in Charlotte Observer. Washington, April 16.—It begins to look as if the Tar Heel Daughters would bring about harmony in their ranks, but it may take months to do it. In presenting the name of Miss Jenn Coltrane for vice president general to the continental Congress tonight, Mrs. E. C. Gregory was diplomatic and careful in her speech. She praised the candidate and told of her splendid work for the national organization. Her first sentence was happy. It said:

"The Old North State commends to your favorable consideration tonight one whose grace and attractiveness are even surpassed by her ability. Of the former you can judge for yourself; of her efficiency, her record of service offers indisputable evidence."

Some of the clever women of the state oppose Miss Coltrane, and her friends regret that any controversy was started, for the state organization had been such a joyful nest for years. Mrs. Gregory added, in presenting Miss Coltrane:

"First holding the office of recording secretary and regent of her chapter and later that of recording secretary of her state, in 1920, sought out as its representative daughter, she was elected historic general, and brought to that office rare gifts and technical experience. During her term of three years, she effected two results for our national society. The first was the re-organization of our historical department on a new, systematized basis, with a main artery leading to every state."

Miss Coltrane's Record. "Under her vivifying touch, history, which is the heart of our organization, was glorified. More than that, through her skill, history was garnered into eight permanent shelves for our national society, as is proved by the record, published in 1923. Her important service, of which notable mention should be made, is as follows:

"From 1920-23 were recorded World War service records of 45 states in 107 volumes, and directories of historical facts in 36 states were compiled, as well as sketches of over 500 American women in history. "Not content merely with research work for our national society, she adapted, on request, a general study outline of the historical needs of individual states, in order to inspire each with a love for American history, stressing its importance as the basis of American citizenship. In addition from 1920-23 she was chairman of the auditing committee and a member of the national executive committee."

"The second result achieved by my candidate is perhaps even more important than the first. In addition to her erudition and her gift for specific successful organization—due to her deep, strong character, due to her vivacity, due to her lovable qualities, poured out unselfishly with regard alone for worth—few in official life can rival her unique gift for winning friends and popularity, wherever she goes, for our organization, both within and outside our membership."

"With, therefore, experience, executive ability, capable and forceful, with versatility, which a college training and the legacy of a distinguished ancestry stabilize with unswerving loyalty to our country and fidelity to the high ideas of our organization and with a spirituality and faith in God that quicken her love for mankind—all of which are still inadequate to describe fully my candidate, yet make it possible for me to offer to you tonight a woman, who is one of the choicest assets of our organization, who is amply qualified for the high office of vice president general of the national society, for which, in behalf of her state of North Carolina, I have the honor to place in nomination the name of Miss Jenn Winslow Coltrane."

Miss Coltrane's nomination will be seconded by Ohio. The voting will take place tomorrow and the results announced Friday.

Opposition Subsidized

Edward E. Britton in News and Observer. Washington, April 16.—The flurry over the matter of North Carolina support of Miss Jenn Coltrane, of Concord, for the office of vice president general of the Daughters of the American Revolution appeared today to have somewhat subsided, though she may still lose some votes from the Gastonia chapter. She was placed in nomination for the position tonight in a clever speech by Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, of Salisbury, daughter of Senator Overman, and her nomination was seconded by the spokesman from the Ohio delegation. Miss Coltrane drew a favorable place in the order of nominations, being the second on the list of thirteen to be nominated. With eight places to be filled, and thirteen candidates in the field, there is a deal of politics being played, but the backers of Miss Coltrane are optimistic as to her success.

FATE OF IMMIGRATION BILL STILL UNKNOWN

Senator Lodge Called to Confer With Weigand Before Senate Takes Up the Bill Again.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 17.—The fate of the immigration bill with its Japanese exclusion provision, was involved in another conference today between President Coolidge and Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, republican Senate leader, prior to resumption of Senate debate on the measure.

Senator Lodge said the immigration question had been discussed, but he would not say whether he had obtained any information as to the probable action of the President when the measure reached the White House. Senator Willis, republican, of Ohio, who with Senator Lodge, supported the Japanese exclusion provision, conferred with the President following the visit of the republican leader.

Rail Freight Traffic Marks Set in February

Washington, April 16.—Two new high records for February freight handling by class one railroads were reported today by the Bureau of Railway Economics.

Freight traffic in February, the report said, amounted to 35,962,421,000 net ton miles, an increase of 10.2 per cent over the same months last year. The figure also was 9.1 per cent higher than for February, 1920, when the previous high record was established. A daily average movement of 27.4 miles per freight car during February, the railway bureau added, was two and three-fifths miles greater than the average in the same month last year, and exceeded by five and one-tenth miles in February, 1920, average.

Daugherty Committee in Recess

Washington, April 17.—The Senate Daugherty committee stood in recess today to permit Senator Wheeler, the committee prosecutor, to attend the opening hearing in the Senate investigation of his indictment in Montana.

Says Hanihara Will Be Recalled. Tokio, April 17. (By the Associated Press.)—Ambassador Hanihara at Washington is to be recalled by the Japanese government, the newspaper Yomiuri declared today.

Dies Without Explaining Shortage

(By the Associated Press.) Kansas City, April 17.—John M. Moore, deposed president of the Fidelity Bank and Trust Company, died at an apartment house today without a statement as to the discrepancy of \$600,000 which had been found in his accounts.

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WRONG DOING CHARGED DAUGHERTY AND PALMER

Gaston Means Account of Bribe-Taking to Dour of Daugherty.

Washington, April 16.—Two former attorneys general of the United States, Gaston B. Means and Harry A. Mitchell, and one former governor of the Philippines, Francis Burton Harrison, were accused of serious and personal wrongdoing during rapidly shifting testimony today, before the senate Daugherty investigating committee.

Only two witnesses were heard, one Gaston B. Means, investigator, long active in international and domestic affairs, and the other George W. Storek, accountant for the department of justice, but out of the web of their stories were developed repeated accusations of monetary misconduct and later of default in department of justice prosecution.

Means took his account of bribe-taking straight to the door of Mr. Daugherty by repeating statements he ascribed to Jess W. Smith, the late companion of the former attorney general. He also confirmed and extended impressions left by Storek, whose testimony was a prolonged report of the investigation made by himself, upon the orders of John W. H. Crim, former assistant attorney general, into the conduct of the alien property office.

In the brisk play of question and answer, Means described Mr. Palmer, "looking scared to death," coming out of Mr. Daugherty's office after charges against his administration of alien property had been pushed to the point of a mention of indictment.

One moment of the session the committee devoted to Howard Mannington, of Ohio, when its "prosecutor," Senator Wheeler, democrat, Montana, demanded the production of this witness by Mr. Daugherty's counsel, in spite of his own refusal to appear. He demanded likewise to know whether it was true that indictments had been returned in New York against Mannington and Jess, for liquor permit transactions, but "hushed up." He was advised by George E. Chamberlain of Mr. Daugherty's counsel to apply to the district attorney for his information.

Two other issues arose during the day, one in the hearing, when Means questioned William J. Burns, chief of the bureau of investigation of the department of justice, as advising Mr. Daugherty against pressing the Montana indictment against Senator Wheeler. The other developed after the hearing when Means asked Senator Wheeler, by letter to the committee, to confirm his previous verbal refusal to give the committee any more telegrams exchanged between principals in the senate investigation.

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Airmen Are Landed. Aboard the U. S. Destroyer Hull, Kanatak, Portage Bay, April 16.—Maj. Frederick L. Martin, commander of the United States army globe-flight, and his mechanic, Sergeant Alva Harvey, and the air courier Seattle, which was forced down yesterday en route from Seward to Chignik, were landed safely at Kanatak after being rescued today on the beach at Cape Igvik.

Three Planes Ready to Continue Trip (By the Associated Press.) Seattle, Wash., April 17.—A wireless message from Chignik, Alaska, reports that the world cruisers Nos. 2, 3 and 4, piloted by Smith, Wade and Nelson, are prepared to leave Chignik this morning for Dutch Harbor, weather permitting.

Winston-Salem, April 16.—The Salem College building and endowment fund of \$400,000, subscribed in 1920 by over three thousand friends of the institution, is now well on the way to a successful close on schedule time, June 30, this year, according to a statement issued by Theodore Rondthaler, secretary of the fund. He states that it appears now that losses on the total subscriptions will not be over 4 or 5 per cent.

Approve German Suggestions. Paris, April 17. (By the Associated Press.)—The reparations commission, at a plenary session this afternoon, decided unanimously to take the note of the reply of the German government adhering to conclusions reached in the experts' reports, and to approve, within the limits of the commission's attributes, the conclusions, and to adopt the methods proposed therein.

Issues Challenge to McAdoo (By the Associated Press.) Dallas, Tex., April 17.—Governor Pat M. Neff, continuing his campaign in Texas for an unstructured delegation to the National Democratic Convention, today challenged Wm. G. McAdoo to answer his charge that his record makes him unfit to be the Democratic standard bearer this year.

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WHEELER CHARGES GETTING CLOSE ATTENTION

Charges in the Indictment Against Montana Senator Being Heard by Special Senate Committee.

THOMAS STOUT FIRST WITNESS

He Told Committee About Advising Gordon Campbell to Get Senator Wheeler For Special Work.

(By the Associated Press.) Washington, April 17.—Former Representative Thomas Stout, of Lewiston, Montana, was called today as the first witness before the special Senate committee investigating the indictment in Montana of Senator Burton K. Wheeler. Stout testified that he had been editor and publisher of the Daily Democrat News of Lewistown for 15 years, and that he had known Senator Wheeler "quite intimately" for a number of years. Stout also said he had talked with Gordon Campbell in December 1922, about Campbell's employment of Senator Wheeler.

Campbell did not know Wheeler, Stout said, and he volunteered to see Wheeler about his being retained. The case involved was a receivership matter in the state district court. When he saw Wheeler, Stout said, the latter advised him that he could not represent Campbell except before state courts. Stout said he had no further connection with the matter, but that Senator Wheeler appeared for Campbell in state court cases.

Committee Reads Telegram. Washington, April 17.—Cutting at once to the heart of the whole controversy, the special Senate committee investigating the Montana charges against Senator Wheeler opened its hearing today with testimony bearing directly on the extent of his activities in Washington in connection with cases in which his Montana clients were interested.

From Gordon Campbell, a geologist who said he had employed the senator in 1922 to represent him in state courts, the committee received copies of two sets of telegrams passing between him and Wheeler, one purporting to show that Wheeler had been "advised" the government could not intervene in Campbell's behalf in a land proceedings against him, and the other indicating that the senator had arranged for Campbell to confer with Solicitor Booth, of the Interior Department, regarding "the Lincoln permit."

Knight Nomination Rejected by Senate. Washington, April 16.—The Senate today rejected the nomination of Samuel Knight, of San Francisco, to be special government counsel in prosecuting oil suits involving Sections 16 and 36 within the boundaries of naval reserves number two California. The vote taken in executive session was reported unofficially as 39 to 26.

Florida Republicans Favor Coolidge. Palatka, Fla., April 17.—Florida's ten votes in the National Republican convention today were pledged to President Coolidge by the Florida State Republican committee in session here. The delegates will go to Cleveland instructed.

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