

NOW FOR THE NEXT BIG ACT

Democratic Leaders Are Gathering In New York

Giving Attention to Many Details That Must Be Worked About Before the Convention Begins.

CANDIDATES ARE ALSO REPRESENTED Among the Leaders and the Delegates Who Have Already Arrived at the Metropolis.

New York, June 16.—Democratic leaders from all parts of the country are here on the way ready for the week of political maneuvering which will precede the National Convention.

Cordell Hull, of Tennessee, chairman of the Democratic National Committee, Homer S. Cummings, of Connecticut, J. Bruce Kremer, of Montana, Norman E. Mack, of Buffalo, Geo. White, of Ohio, and Burt New, of Indiana, are among the leaders already here, while Wm. Jennings Bryan is expected to arrive later in the day.

By Wednesday other figures in Democratic ranks will be here, including Wm. G. McAdoo and Geo. E. Brennan, of Chicago, Illinois Democratic chief, Governor Smith came from Albany last week to stay until after the convention.

It is said that Cummings will be given the chairmanship of the committee on resolutions, which will draft the party's platform. It is desired to make this reports have indicated, a brief document.

Most of the dark horses or the leaders of their hopes are expected in the city by mid-week. Looming in the forefront of these today are the names of John W. Davis, former ambassador to Great Britain, and Senator Ralston, of Indiana.

SAY DEATH BLOW HAS BEEN DEALT CORSET Group of Paris Style Creators Claims It Is Doomed to Share Fate of Hoop Skirt.

Paris, June 15.—The death blow to the corset is claimed to have been dealt by a small group of Paris style creators who boast that they dictate the fashion of the world.

Three Persons Killed in Auto Accident Morris Rosenthal, of Raleigh, One of the Victims of the Accident.

Petersburg, Va., June 16.—Three persons were killed and two others injured today when an automobile in which they were traveling from Richmond to Raleigh, N. C., left the road and struck a telephone pole at the bottom of a 10-foot embankment on the Richmond-Petersburg turnpike.

Over Half to Attend College. High Point, N. C., June 16.—More than 50 per cent. of the graduates of the high school of this city will go to college this fall, according to L. R. Thompson, principal of the school.

Kills Himself to Let Wife Wed Another. Detroit, June 14.—Joseph Nevicki, 36 years old, is dead of poison, self-administered yesterday, he said before he died, so his wife might collect his insurance and marry a boarder at her home.

U. S. GAINS 1,943,000 POPULATION IN YEAR BY EXPERT ESTIMATE

Totals 112,826,000 According to Estimates Announced Today. (By the Associated Press.) New York, June 16.—The population of the United States totaled 112,826,000 on January 1, 1924, according to estimates announced today by the National Bureau of Economic Research.

The bureau estimates the population of the continental United States for each half year since January 1, 1920, to have been approximately as follows: Jan. 1, 1920, 105,711,000; July 1, 1920, 106,422,000; Jan. 1, 1921, 107,575,000; July 1, 1921, 108,533,000; Jan. 1, 1922, 109,298,000; July 1, 1922, 109,898,000; Jan. 1, 1923, 110,888,000; July 1, 1923, 111,604,000; Jan. 1, 1924, 112,826,000.

All the figures for January 1, 1922, are necessarily tentative, for the bureau of the census has not as yet published complete monthly data for births and deaths covering the periods since 1921.

Improved methods of estimating the nation's population for the years following the census count in 1920, were developed by the Bureau of Economic Research in continuation of its studies of income in the United States, and the relation of income to population.

In announcing the figures tonight Dr. Willford I. King, under whose supervision they were gathered, said: "The fact that the rate of increase in population during the decade 1910 to 1920 was considerably less than the corresponding rate during the previous ten years led many persons to anticipate that in the future we might look forward to a rate of population expansion considerably lower than that experienced during the last century."

Such expectations have been rudely shattered by the events of the last four years, and especially by what occurred during the last half of 1923, in which period the rate of population growth appears to have been greater than in any other half years during the last two decades, and probably greater than in any six months within the history of the nation.

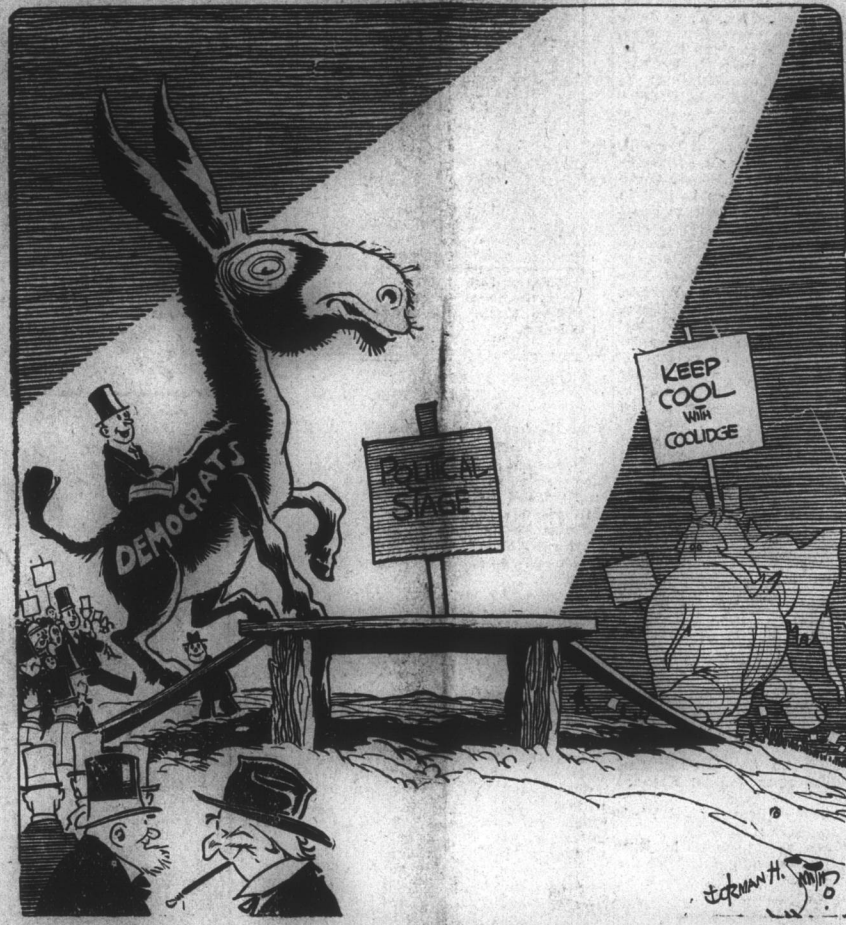
This unusual increase was due to two facts: first, a very heavy recorded excess of immigration over emigration, which increased our population by 508,000; and second, by the fact that the death rate was as low as has ever been recorded.

"According to the estimates of the National Bureau of Economic Research, there were about 1,238,000 births against some 621,000 deaths, giving a net natural increase of about 617,000. This number added to the 508,000 gain from migration, totals 1,125,000, the estimated increase in population indicated by the government reports for the last half of 1923 as compared with a similar estimate of total growth for the entire year amounting to 1,863,000. This yearly total may, in turn, be compared with a similarly calculated figure for 1920 of 1,784,000, for 1921 of 1,643,000, and for 1922 of 1,505,000.

25,000 For Catawba College. (By the Associated Press.) Hickory, N. C., June 16.—The Woman's Missionary Society of the general synod of the Reformed Church of the United States, has pledged \$25,000 to the endowment fund of Catawba College, which will be removed from this city to Salisbury for the 1925 term, it has been announced here.

Expulsion of Cummins Arouses Great Outcry. London, June 16 (By the Associated Press).—Prime Minister MacDonald stated in the House of Commons today that the British government regarded the action of the Mexican government in expelling Herbert C. Cummins, the British agent in Mexico, as a grave breach of international courtesy.

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RUN-OFF PRIMARY IS CERTAIN NOW

Grist Asks For Another Chance and So Ross and Latham Also Will Take Advantage of It.

Raleigh, N. C., June 16.—John Grist, runner-up to M. L. Shipman in the primary for the democratic nomination for Commissioner of Labor & Printing, has telegraphed a request for a run-off primary to W. H. Neal, chairman of the Board of Elections.

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THE COTTON MARKET Opened Easy at Decline of 24 to 30 Points Under Selling Movement.

New York, June 16.—The cotton market opened easy at a decline of 24 to 30 points today under a continuation of Saturday's selling movement and in response to relatively easy Liverpool cables.

AMERICAN ANSWER SENT TO JAPANESE Text of Vote Will Be Made Public on Thursday of This Week.

Washington, June 16.—The American reply to the Japanese protest on the exclusion provisions of the new immigration bill, was handed to Ambassador Hanihara today by Secretary Hughes.

With Our Advertisers. You can get an Auto Strip razor and a package of blades for 98 cents at the Clive's Pharmacy.

White Hats Made of Silk, Ribbon and Different Kinds of Straws and Braids at the Specialty Hat Shop.

Heads Record as Coyote Hunter. Washington, D. C., June 16.—Bob Sloan, of the town of Babb in the Glacier National Park reservation, Montana, holds the record as a coyote hunter in the Rocky Mountain region, according to reports that have reached the Bureau of National Parks.

Alrmen in French China Now. Hong Kong, China, June 16 (By the Associated Press).—The three American army airplanes flying around the world landed safely at Saigon, the capital of French Cochinchina, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

HOLD NEGRO CHARGED WITH KILLING OFFICER

John Davis Arrested After He Is Alleged to Have Shot Elmer Honeycutt, of Greensboro.

Greensboro, N. C., June 16.—John Davis, Inman, S. C., negro, will be given a preliminary hearing in municipal court here Wednesday morning on a charge of first degree murder as a result of the slaying yesterday morning of Patrolman Elmer E. Honeycutt, of the local police department.

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MOORESVILLE SUFFERS FROM CYCLONIC STORM

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Mooreville, June 15.—A storm of cyclonic proportions struck Mooreville and vicinity at 2:15 o'clock Saturday afternoon and did thousands of dollars in damage to crops and property.

Warm Political Contest in Maine.

Augusta, Me., June 16.—Although there are but two candidates for the gubernatorial nomination in the Republican primaries in Maine today, it is the liveliest contest which has taken place since the primary law was instituted.

Sexual Sterilization of Lunatics in Virginia Is Law.

Danville, Va., June 14.—Among the many new laws which become effective in Virginia next Monday morning is that providing for sexual sterilization of inmates of State institutions.

Police Seeking George Cummings. Milwaukee, Wis., June 16.—Every automobile highway in Wisconsin north of Milwaukee, was patrolled today by sheriff's posse, seeking a man who fled from a tourist camp at Wittenburg shortly before the body of his bride of a week was found in a shallow grave.

SLEMP TO REMAIN WITH PRESIDENT

Denies That Differences He Had With Butler and the Other Leaders Will Cause Him to Resign.

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Sioux Falls, S. Dak., June 16 (By the Associated Press).—Storms which swept the entire state of South Dakota assuming the proportion of a tornado in several localities, took a toll of at least five lives, caused property damage too great to be estimated until communication is restored, and did great injury to growing crops late Saturday.

REYNOLDS CONFERENCE MEETS

Winston-Salem, June 16.—Reynolds conference on Christian faith, bringing together some of the leading theologians and scientists of the entire country, opens here tomorrow, continuing through Wednesday.

CONTINUING SEARCH IN AN EFFORT TO FIND MORE BODIES

Search for Remaining Seven Bodies of Persons Killed by Raging Streams Continued Today by Friends.

DEBRIS ON RIVER HOLDING BODIES

Debris at Points Is Piled 20 Feet High.—Repairing the Railway Tracks and Lines of Communication.

Johnson City, Tenn., June 16.—Search for the remaining seven bodies known to be in the debris along the Watauga river, and work on reconstruction of railroads and highways is following Friday night's devastating cloudbursts in Carter county. The five bodies recovered, those of Mrs. Lum Smith and her son Willard, May Lewis, 6 years old, and two children of Cecil Lewis, were buried on the mountain side near their homes.

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SPECIAL SESSION OF LEGISLATURE

Will Be Called to Convene August 7th, Governor Morrison Announces.

North Carolina Will Begin Shipping Within Next Month. Raleigh, N. C., June 16.—In spite of spring freezes and wind storms the movement of peaches is about three weeks earlier this year than in 1923, says a statement issued from the State Division of Markets.

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Seizure Made Last Saturday as the Drugs Were Being Carried From a Boat at Hoboken.

ELABORATE PLAN FOR SMUGGLING

The Agents Had Been Trying for Two Years to Get the Drugs After They Arrived in This Country.

New York, June 16.—Drugs valued at more than \$2,000,000 were seized last Saturday on a truck coming off a pier at Hoboken, N. J., it became known today. H. D. Esterbrook, chief of the special agents of the Treasury Department who conducted the raid, said the seizure uncovered one of the most elaborate and effective schemes ever divulged for smuggling narcotics into the United States.

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NEWSPAPER MEN ADVOCATE CHANGE OF PRIMARY DATE

Call on General Assembly to Amend the Law So as to Have the Primaries Held on Tuesdays.

Resolved by the North Carolina Press Association, in annual convention assembled; that it is the sense of this body that the General Assembly of North Carolina at its next regular session should amend the state primary law to provide that the primary elections be held on Tuesdays, the same as the national and general elections, instead of on Saturdays.

HOLD TEN SUSPECTS IN TRAIN ROBBERY

Seven Men and Three Women Have Been Arrested in Chicago. Chicago, June 16.—Three women and seven men are held as part of the gang which Thursday night perpetrated a \$5,000,000 mail robbery at Roundout, Illinois, near here, and officers are seeking three additional men and the hiding place where it is believed the bandits concealed the approximately 40 bags of registered mail. It is believed the bags will be found intact.

Chief of police Collins admitted today that an accurate check upon the contents of the stolen mail sacks revealed a loss in excess of \$3,000,000 all in currency or negotiable securities, making it the largest robbery in the history of the railway mail service.

WHAT SMITTY'S WEATHER CAT SAYS

Local thundershowers this afternoon or tonight, Tuesday generally fair.

