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KEEN INTEREST IS SHOWN IN MESSAGE THAT COX HAS HELD OUT OF SPEECH

Speculation as to its Content Centers on Three Possibilities — Challenge to Harding, a Specific Statement on Article Ten or an Announcement Regarding Prohibition Issue.

DAYTON, O., Aug. 6.—Democratic clans were gathering here today for their great quadrennial event, the presentation tomorrow to the American electorate of a presidential nominee—Governor Cox, of Ohio. All was in readiness for the governor's formal notification of nomination by Senator Robinson, of Arkansas, who presided over the San Francisco convention, and the candidate's address of acceptance declaring the broad lines of the campaign.

Between his mail-laden desk and early morning, Governor Cox today drew upon the resources of both nervous and physical energy in the presence of the presence of a large organization of personal business and be ready, after his address tomorrow, for unlimited campaigning until election day.

Among important early arrivals were George White, chairman of the democratic national committee, and Senator Harrison, of Mississippi, head of the speakers' bureau. They were expected to announce, respectively, the special campaign committee and the governor's first speaking itinerary, after approval by the candidate.

With Governor Cox's acceptance address in type for tomorrow afternoon's newspapers, speculation increased today regarding the brief but important insert he announced would be forthcoming tomorrow. The governor continued to hold it a secret. Speculation on its message centered principally on three subjects, a possible challenge to Senator Harding, his republican opponent, for joint debate of the league of nations, a specific statement on Article 10 of the league covenant, or a definite announcement regarding the prohibition issue.

Democratic leaders here seemed agreed that the league undoubtedly would be the great campaign battleground and awaited with keen interest in the address of Governor Cox, which, he has announced, will also explain that school children may understand. His promises for an aggressive and offensive campaign carried personally to the people from coast to coast also apparently found unanimous favor.

Besides the interests of himself and Franklin D. Roosevelt, the vice presidential candidate, Governor Cox is planning to carry with the national ticket a democratic congress. On the league issue, close advisers say he feels that it will be settled definitely in the November balloting for president and senators. The people will speak so plainly as to compel a final settlement of the league and treaty controversy, the governor's friends say he believes, regardless of the actual partisan line-up of the senate. In this connection, attention was directed to the governor's statement yesterday expressing the expectation that former President Taft would work for republican candidates for the senate who favor the league.

The governor is scheduled to begin tomorrow's address about 3 o'clock, several hours after newspaper publication of his address in most localities. The parade of visiting delegations, expected to aggregate about 15,000, is to start for the Montgomery county fair grounds about 1 o'clock. A review of the pilgrims by the governor and Mr. Roosevelt and Senator Robinson's notification addresses are to precede the governor's.

Many special trains and automobile caravans were scheduled to arrive early tomorrow. Formed democratic clubs and bands galore are promised, and all are to feature "Ohio," the Cox campaign song of the San Francisco convention, in the music of the ceremonies.

NORTH CAROLINA WOMAN REACHED AGE OF 117

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 5.—The bureau of vital statistics has announced the death at Big Laurel, Madison county, North Carolina, of Miss Dorcas Griffin, at the age of 117, her age having been apparently verified by the Griffin Bible. She was born on March 30, 1803, according to the Bible record, and died at the place of her birth several weeks ago.

LEXINGTON NEGRO SENTENCED TO DEATH

LEXINGTON, N. C., Aug. 5.—Jim McDonald, negro, was sentenced here today to die in the electric chair on October 8, for having attacked the wife of a prominent farmer at Linwood, near here, several months ago.

Mrs. R. O. Craig and Mr. and Mrs. Otto Duncan left Thursday for Wrightsville Beach, where they will spend a week's vacation.

SQUADRON OF AMERICAN FLYERS IS TRANSFORMED

Kosciuszko Squadron is Sent to Northern Front to Aid Hard Pressed Poles.

WARSAW, Aug. 5.—8:35 p. m.—Owing to the desperate situation on the front nearest Warsaw, the Kosciuszko squadron, the air force composed for the most part of Americans attached to the Polish army, is being transferred from the southern front. The squadron will aid in the defense of the Polish capital.

The American consulate in Warsaw will be closed Friday and Consul Rankin is making preparations to depart Friday night. Most of the records already have been shipped away.

The American legion here also is prepared to close within a few days. The legion employes have shipped their baggage to Camp Grappe, the emergency headquarters of the American typhus expedition.

The operations of the squadron will be begun in its new field within two or three days. Meanwhile, bullet battered tanks which saw service in the great war, rumbled through the streets of Warsaw today on the way to engage the Russians. The arrival also began of 75 millimeter guns which the French used against the Germans on the western front. Several artillery detachments with these guns as their weapons left for the nearest front where fighting with the Russians was in progress. These batteries were expected to begin action on Friday.

GASTON COUNTY MAN IS CHAMPION CHECKER PLAYER

Mr. Coit M. Robinson, of Lowell, Wins Checker Championship of South at Augusta Match.

The following from the Charlotte News is of interest locally:

North Carolinians won spectacularly at the annual tournament of the Southern Checker Players' Association in Augusta this week. Coit Robinson, of Lowell, one of the leading checker players of this state and a foremost figure in the North Carolina Checker Players' Association, won the highest score, being declared the Southern champion, and elected president of the Southern association.

The Charlotte men, J. W. Elliott and Sam Hill, were at the tournament, and Coit Robinson and J. M. Wilson, of Lowell; H. C. McNair, of Maxton, and I. F. Sampson, of Shelby, attended. Mr. McNair is president of the North Carolina association.

In the elimination tournament the five highest players were left. In the first highest, H. C. McNair, Coit Robinson, Sam Hill and I. F. Sampson were included.

In the final contest H. C. McNair and Coit Robinson remained, the two playing six games and Mr. Robinson winning in the sixth.

—Miss Iva Rudisill, of Dallas, joined Miss Emma Cornwell here and left this morning to spend the day with Mrs. Fred Byrum near Steele Creek.

MRS. SARAH FORD.

Following an illness of several months, Mrs. Sarah Ford died Thursday afternoon at the home of her granddaughter, Mrs. John McArver, at Ranlo, aged 79 years. Funeral services were conducted at 2 o'clock this afternoon at Chapel Lutheran church by the pastor, Rev. A. L. Boliek, and the remains were interred in the Chapel cemetery.

Mrs. Ford was before her marriage Miss Sarah Kendrick, and is survived by one brother, Mr. Mark L. Kendrick, of Gastonia, and one sister, Mrs. J. P. Stowe, of Belmont. She was born and reared in the South Point section of the county, but had made her home for some time with Mrs. McArver. She was a member of the Baptist church. Two brothers, the late John Kendrick and the late James Madison Kendrick, Sr., have preceded her to the grave.

Mrs. Ford had a wide family connection and was known to a large number of people over the county, all of whom will be grieved at the news of her death.

MASONIC NOTICE.

Regular meeting of Gastonia Lodge No. 369, A. F. and A. M., at eight o'clock tonight. Work in the third degree. W. L. THOMPSON, W. M. FAY LAVENDER, Sec.

DEFENCES EAST OF WARSAW HAVE BEEN PIERCED

Preparations Made to Move Capital From Warsaw if Russian Advance Continues.

(By The Associated Press.) WARSAW, Aug. 5.—The defensive line east of Warsaw has been pierced in several places, according to reports from the front. Preparations have been begun for transferring the government, if that move is necessitated by the Russian advance. The officials, however, still hope the soviet forces will be checked somewhere east of the Vistula.

No announcement has been made as to what place the government would move to, but it is reported it would be Posen or Czestachowa, 143 miles southwest of Warsaw, near the Silesian frontier.

Of the developments along the eastern defense line, the word from the front shows that after a halt of several days while reinforcements were brought up and supplies forwarded along the river, the bolsheviks forced crossings of the Bug at a number of places. At one point, southeast of Ostrov, the soviet troops are reported to have crossed the river in large numbers.

Tonight's communique from headquarters announced that the Russians had forced the Bug in the region of Drohiczyn (about 70 miles east of the capital), this being a part of the soviet movement to outflank the defenders of Warsaw and push on toward the Vistula. The Poles counterattacked and fierce fighting is continuing.

Between Drohiczyn and Brest-Litovsk, the communique continues, the Poles launched a counterattack against the Russians, who had crossed the Bug below Brest Litovsk. In the region of Brest Litovsk, which is in the hands of the Russians, they recoiled for an attack which compelled the Poles to evacuate Terespol, just to the west of the river.

There was fighting at various points to the south, but without gains for the Russians.

The soviet troops have been checked in their westward push along the Prussian border, the statement announces. They have reached Miazec in an advance apparently designed to bring them to the Warsaw-Danzig railway. The military observers assert that this is part of the Russian outflanking movement planned to encircle the capital, thus saving the heavy losses which would result if Warsaw were attacked directly.

Russian gains are conceded north and east of Warsaw, where the soviet forces are regrouping for what may be the final exertion in their attempt to bring Poland to their terms of peace by directly threatening its capital.

In the center of the front bearing down upon Warsaw from the northeast the Russians, according to the communique, are being held along the Ostrow-Czerwonoy line to the Bug.

AUGUST RASCAL HAS LONG RECORD BEHIND HIM

PHILADELPHIA, Penn., Aug. 6.—Pascoal, who was arrested last Monday in June he appeared to be plentifully.

Pascoal, who was arrested last Monday at Egg Harbor, N. J., after he had been trapped into picking up a box supposed to contain \$10,000 as further ransom money for the return of the missing boy, is still hidden by the authorities. In no circumstances, they declare, will his whereabouts be revealed until they have completed their investigation of the story he tells.

An important development in the case today was the identification of Pascoal as Augusto Pasquale with a police record in this and other cities. This also led to an examination of the finger prints of Pasquale, on file at police headquarters, with the kidnapper's finger prints found in the Coughlin home, and it is asserted by the police that they agree sufficiently to convince them that they were made by the same man.

Pascoal was released from Moyamensing prison here last March after serving nine months on charges of breaking and entering, larceny and carrying concealed death weapons. He had no money when he left the prison. But when Pascoal applied for a room in a lodging house here in June he appeared to be plentifully supplied with funds.

This was after June 17, when Coughlin deposited \$12,000 under a deserted trolley station at Swedeland, near Norris town, as instructed by the letter signed "The Crank," demanding the money for the return of the child. The money disappeared and no trace of the child was found. Pascoal deposited about \$2,000 in a local trust company and later bought a chicken farm at New Gretna, N. J., near Egg Harbor, and also an automobile.

Prior to serving nine months in the county prison here, Pasquale served a term in the Elmira, N. Y., reformatory, beginning in April, 1910. Three years later he was arrested in Newark, N. J., for carrying concealed deadly weapons and after that in Fairmont park here as a suspicious character. From the time he was released in March until June, when he appeared at the lodging house, his movements are not known. The Coughlin

NO ADVICES AS TO LOANS AGAINST THIS YEAR'S COTTON CROP

(By The Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.—The federal reserve board has not advised member banks as to what loans they should make against this year's cotton crop. Governor Harding declared today in a letter to the department of agriculture.

The letter was written in answer to reports reaching the department that "due to an existing financial stringency, stocks of cotton were being forced on the market at sacrifices in prices." Such action, the department intimated, had been prompted through "a ruling or other form of instruction from the federal reserve board, which limited loans on cotton to that only which was in process of shipment."

In answer to this Governor Harding explained that congress had been requested early in the year to amend the existing statutes which originally restricted loans to individuals by national banks in excess of ten per cent of the bank's capital and surplus.

"Congress acted upon the suggestion of the board," Governor Harding wrote. "The amended statute now provides that for a period of six months out of any consecutive twelve months a national bank may lend to an individual, firm or corporation up to 25 per cent of its capital and surplus where the excess of 10 per cent is secured by warehouse receipts."

Commenting on the accumulation of low grade cotton, Governor Harding's letter stated that this was due partially to difficulty in making financial arrangements necessary to sell it to the mills in central Europe adding that "member banks in the south no doubt feel reluctant to carry too large a volume of loans on collateral which is not readily salable."

RALEIGH LAWYER IS ARRESTED AND HELD BY SHERIFF UNLAWFULLY

W. T. Bost in Greensboro News. RALEIGH, Aug. 5.—Perrin Busbee, member of the Raleigh bar, noted university athlete 25 years ago, and prominent member of the Busbee families of Raleigh, may go after Sheriff John F. Harwood, of Durham county, whom Mr. Busbee charges with unlawful arrest and detention in the Durham jail several days ago.

The allegations against the high sheriff of that county are that he arrested Mr. Busbee, and held him incommunicado for 22 hours. The Raleigh lawyer declares that he committed no offenses, was served with no warrant was denied knowledge of what charges were against him, and deeply humiliated.

Mr. Busbee was taken in Durham while he was exploring the old stage coach road between Raleigh and the university, he declares. Some months ago he was made chairman of a committee appointed to look over this road with a view to reopening it. It saves much driving between Raleigh and Durham and is about as near through the old route as Durham is, thereby saving 12 miles. Mr. Busbee set out to dig up this road, and had been going but a short while when he suspected that he was being deceived by people who told him the road. This led him to wandering, he declared, and he found his bearings with difficulty. One night he walked alone the entire time and was still lost the following morning.

Finally he began to hear conversation that indicated he was being sought by officers. The natives were suspicious and he heard one of them tell somebody that the man described by somebody else was then in the yard of the citizen communicating over telephone. Later he was picked up and allowed to ride. Once getting Mr. Busbee in the machine, he was held there, though he was let out later and then put on the road again, he says. The next man who found him was the sheriff.

This officer apprised him that he had been looking after Mr. Busbee for two days. The lawyer who is badly crippled as the result of paralysis, resisted what he deemed an unlawful arrest but he says the sheriff took him by force and detained him in jail. Mr. Busbee declares that he did not have the chance to communicate with any citizens in Durham, nearly all of whom he knows. Still later Phil Busbee, a cousin and W. C. Douglass, both of the Raleigh bar, were found and the prisoner was released.

If there is any way to make the sheriff pay for the experience Mr. Busbee means to find it.

According to George A. Leonard, chief postal inspector, Pascoal said he did not know anything about the kidnapping but that he was hired by a man to hang the white sheet along the railroad as a signal for Coughlin to throw a box containing \$10,000 out of a railroad train window between Camden, N. J., and Atlantic City. Leonard said Pascoal will not reveal the identity of this man.

DENVER QUIET AFTER NIGHT OF RIOTING IN WHICH TWO ARE KILLED AND 34 INJURED

Thousands of Dollars Worth of Property Destroyed — Plant of Denver Post Which Opposed Strikes Is Almost Completely Wrecked — Result of Street Car Strike.

KAMENEFF EXPLAINS TO PREMIER LLOYD GEORGE

LONDON, Aug. 6.—Leo Kameneff, of the Russian soviet delegation here, sent Premier Lloyd George last night a long communication, giving the soviet government's reply to Great Britain's note of Tuesday with regard to the delay in the armistice negotiations between Russia and Poland.

M. Kameneff's statement declares the soviet government never desired to combine the negotiations for an armistice with negotiations for peace, but that it demands that the terms of the armistice include reasonable guarantees which would prevent attempts on the part of Poland to use the period of the armistice for the renewal of hostile acts.

The sole obstacle in the way of the beginning of negotiations for the suspension of military operations, says the note, is the absence of the Polish delegates, whose return is being awaited by the representatives of the soviet government in order that negotiations may be immediately opened.

The note continues: "The Russian soviet government again declares that it is firm in the recognition of the freedom and independence of Poland, and its willingness to grant to the Polish state wider frontiers than were indicated by the supreme council and mentioned in the British note of July 20."

With regard to the proposed London peace conference the note says in substance that the soviet government had proposed that the conference be only with the leading powers of the entente, because the usefulness of such a conference arose from the fact that without the assistance of the leading powers war could not be waged by other states against Russia, and so the peace of Europe would be guaranteed.

CRISP PREDICTS DEFEAT SUFFRAGE AMENDMENT

RALEIGH, N. C., Aug. 6.—Repere sentiment B. G. Crisp, recognized as one of the principal anti-suffrage leaders in the state house of representatives, in a statement here today predicted defeat of the federal woman suffrage amendment by the special session of the North Carolina legislature which meets here next Tuesday. Mr. Crisp said he had taken a poll of the members and if all "stick" who have written him he looks for ten majority in the house against ratification and about a tie vote in the senate.

In regard to the telegram of protest sent last night to Governor Cox by the North Carolina States Rights League, Mr. Crisp said:

"It voices my sentiments entirely. The way I feel about the matter is simply this: If I belong to a party that must be governed by expediency rather than principle the soon I leave that party the better."

"I have always been a sincere democrat from conviction," continued Mr. Crisp. "My people were republicans and I separated myself from them politically because, from a study of the Hamiltonian and Jeffersonian principles I chose to follow Jefferson. When the democratic party forgets those principles and goes over to the federalistic idea, then it is high time for a halt to be called."

—Mrs. J. L. Stowe, of the New Hope neighborhood, spent Wednesday with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Rhyne.

—Miss Pearl Stowe, of the New Hope section, attended the big picnic at Dallas Wednesday.

—Mr. Bryan Jones, formerly of Gastonia, but who now lives at Hickory, arrived in the city yesterday and will be in town several days on business.

—Mr. Leonard E. Bolch, sergeant in the quartermaster corps, son of Mr. W. E. Bolch, of 111 South Clay street, received his discharge from the army on Wednesday, he 4th. Mr. Bolch enlisted as a private here last August and because of his industry and ability was quickly promoted, receiving the rank of sergeant on December 26. Since his enlistment Mr. Bolch has been stationed at Camp Benning, Ga., Fort Thomas, Ky., and Camp Migs at Washington, D. C. While the army furnishes good temporary employment, he prefers civilian life. Mr. Bolch will immediately take up work at the Trenton mill.

DENVER, Colo., Aug. 6.—Denver was quiet early today after a night of rioting on the part of the street car strikers, their sympathizers and strike breakers during which two persons were killed, 34 injured, and thousands of dollars property damage incurred. Two thousand volunteer policemen are expected to prevent a recurrence of the trouble.

The rioting began late in the afternoon and it was not until 1 o'clock this morning that members of mobs which had kept police busy in various parts of the city for more than six hours had dispersed.

Eight street cars were wrecked, the office of the Denver Post partially demolished and damage done to car barns in widely separated sections of the city.

The dead: Blake, shot and instantly killed; A. G. Smith, Denver, died of bullet wounds.

The riots followed the first successful effort of the tramway company to carry passengers on street cars manned by armed strike breakers.

Two cars were blockaded by a motor truck just as a parade of strikers and sympathizers were passing. Some one threw a brick and the paraders attacked the cars and crews. Car windows were smashed, protective screens torn off and strike breakers badly beaten before police could restore order. One man was shot in the foot.

The Denver Post was the next object of the mob's attack. That paper opposed the strike. Every window in the place was broken, presses hammered and send thrown into the rollers; the business office was wrecked, records and fixtures being thrown into the street; the engraving room was demolished and type and linotype matrices scattered through the composing room. The publishers said they would attempt to publish this afternoon.

While the mob was still at the Post another crowd had gathered at the East Denver car barns and a third mob had attacked the South Denver barns, where 150 strike leaders who had arrived during the day, were housed. Several hundred shots were fired at the latter place, at which the two fatalities occurred. This mob did not disperse until well after midnight.

When police were engaged in quelling these mobs, four street cars which had been waiting in a residential section for the trouble down town to abate, were attacked by a crowd of 5,000 persons. The cars were overturned and the strike breakers, after receiving a severe beating, sought refuge in the cathedral of the Immaculate Conception and were saved by intervention of priests until rescued by the police. An attempt was made to burn the cars, but serious damage by fire was prevented.

All during the evening Mayor Bailey, Governor Shoup, Chief of Police Hamilton Armstrong, who was injured earlier by a flying brick, and other city officials were in conference at the state house considering the advisability of asking for federal troops. A decision was reached early today to rely on volunteers and special policemen, all of whom were ordered to report to the city hall for strike duty today.

A. H. Burt international organizer for the union, and President Silberg, of the local union, in statements issued last night, deplored the mob violence and disclaimed all responsibility for the strikers.

General Manager Hild, of the company, announced today that cars would be run today. He declared there were 500 strike breakers here and more on the way.

A crowd surrounded the city hall for a short time last night and an angry mob was restrained from attacking the tramway building, where the majority of the strike breakers are housed by a strong armed guard which protected every entrance and exit. Mr. Hild announced that 200 armed men were kept at the darkened windows of the building with instructions to shoot if the police line below should give way.

Early today the mob still surrounded the building, but there was no sign of violence.

The company had 14 cars running yesterday and for the first time men and women were accepted as passengers.

At times in the day the cars were crowded almost to the extent of the rush hours of normal times. One passenger was injured in the rioting.

—Miss Edna Rankin, who has been attending the summer school at the University of North Carolina, has returned to Gastonia.