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COX TRAVELS THROUGH NEBRASKA TODAY

Discusses League of Nations and Agricultural Problems— Last Week of Western Trip.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Sept. 27.—The league of nations and agricultural problems were prominent topics of Governor Cox, democratic presidential candidate, for his Nebraska campaign which opened early today at North Platte and comprised seven rear platform and two extended speeches, the latter this afternoon at Lincoln and tonight in the auditorium at Omaha.

Across the entire state, including brief talks at Lexington, Kearney, Grand Island, Aurora, York and Seward, the governor, leaving Cheyenne, Wyo., early this morning had one of the most strenuous programs of his western trip, the last week of which began today. Nebraska democrats laid out a gala tour for the candidate through the home state of William J. Bryan and Senator Hitchcock, administration leader in the treaty fight.

Governor Cox brought information to Nebraska agriculturists regarding material as well as moral interests of farmers and live stock growers in the league. The governor's matter included reports of declining exports of agricultural products, which he assigned to lack of European credits, falling exchange and unsettled conditions at home and abroad with the league presented as a stabilizing remedy for volume and prices.

After his Omaha speech tonight the governor will tour South Dakota Tuesday, visit Sioux Falls, S. D., St. Joseph, Mo., Atchison and Topeka, Kans., on Wednesday, spend Thursday in other Kansas cities, Friday in Oklahoma, and end his western "swing" Saturday at Kansas City. Returning to Dayton, next Sunday, the governor expects to take two days' rest and leave Wednesday on another trip, probably to Kentucky and Tennessee.

WARNING ISSUED AGAINST FAKE FRUIT JUICES

WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—Warning against "fake" fruit beverages which have flooded the soft drink market since the advent of prohibition was issued today by the public health service. Many of the orange beverages now being sold, it was said, consist only of sweetened carbonated water, flavored with a little oil from the peel of oranges and artificially colored.

The department of agriculture has ruled that provisions of the pure food act will be held to have been violated in case such drinks are sold under trade names which lead the purchaser to believe they contain the edible portion or juice of the fruit named.

DEATHS

MR. M. C. JORDAN.

Rev. H. H. Jordan, presiding elder of the Shelby district, Methodist Episcopal Church, South, received the sad news this morning of the death of his aged father, Mr. M. C. Jordan, which occurred at an early hour this morning at his home at Rutherford College. Rev. M. Jordan, Mrs. Jordan and Mr. Frank Jordan left today for Rutherford College to attend the funeral, which will take place Tuesday.

Mr. Jordan was in his 84th year and had been in fairly good health until recently, but suffered a stroke of paralysis on Tuesday of last week from which he never rallied. He is survived by his wife and the following children: Rev. H. H. Jordan, of Gastonia; Rev. T. C. Jordan, of Rutherford; Messrs. W. A. and R. A. Jordan, of Rutherford College, and Mr. C. A. Jordan, of Hickory.

JAMES M. MURREY.

News was received in the city yesterday of the death of Mr. James M. Murrey, of Lewisburg, Tennessee, father of Mrs. Emmet D. Atkins, of this city. Mr. Murrey died at midnight Saturday, September 25, following an illness of several months of Bright's disease, aged 68 years. He is survived by his wife, who before her marriage was Miss Bettie Woodall, and the following children: Mrs. E. D. Atkins, of Gastonia; Hon. J. W. Murrey, of Galatin, Tenn.; Mr. E. E. Murrey, of Nashville, Tenn.; Mr. J. F. Murrey, of Lewisburg, Tenn.; Mrs. O. N. Crooks, of Nashville, Tenn.; Mrs. C. P. Thormorton, of Festus, Mo.; Mr. W. P. Murrey, Mrs. Horace Lusby, Mrs. C. G. Braden, Miss Addie Murrey, Miss Jamie Murrey and Mr. J. Henning Murrey, of Lewisburg, Tenn. The funeral and burial took place Monday afternoon at one o'clock.

Mr. Murrey was one of Marshall county's most prominent and highly esteemed citizens and was prominent as a layman in the Tennessee Conference of the Methodist church. For more than thirty years he had been a representative of the Home Insurance Company, of New York. Mrs. E. D. Atkins had been at the bedside of her father for the past several weeks during his critical illness.

Holland plans to increase its salt supply by mining rock salt deposits in one province and tapping underground salt lakes in another.

CANDIDATES SPOKE AT BELMONT SATURDAY

Walter Murphy Wasn't There But County Candidates Entertained and Instructed Voters — Many Ladies Present — Personals and Locals.

Democratic Campaign Opened Saturday Night.

Owing to the inability of Hon. Walter Murphy to come to Belmont Saturday night, as he was called to Cincinnati on urgent business, the large crowd that had assembled at Lineberger Park was entertained by Gaston county speakers. While every one regretted the fact that Mr. Murphy could not be present, many expressions were heard of pride in the fact that Gaston herself could furnish such able speakers to fill the gap.

Coming over from Gastonia were Major Lee Bulwinkle, candidate for Congress for this district; Carl Carpenter, candidate for the State Senate; Wiley Carroll, candidate for sheriff; Clyde Craig, treasurer; George W. Wilson, solicitor, and Hugh A. Query, editor of The Daily Gazette.

Harley B. Gaston, of Belmont, candidate for the House to succeed Dr. T. A. Wilkins, in making the introductory speech, presented Major Bulwinkle. The latter stated that he was the first candidate for Congress that Gaston county had ever presented. Taking as his subject the League of Nations, he declared that it was the paramount issue before the country today and that, if there had been a League of Nations in 1914, Germany would never have gone to war.

Until Wilson uttered his war message to Congress no voice had ever been raised to stop war, he said. Touching on the terrible slaughter in the world war, he passed on to Wilson's fight for the League of Nations. He then described the league itself, its purpose, powers and absolute justice, stating that it was the greatest charter of human rights and liberty the world has ever seen. Such Republicans as Taft, Wickersham, Root and the late Col. Roosevelt were in favor of it. Every religious organization in the country to the number of thirty-two had endorsed it as well as the American Federation of Labor and many divisions of soldiers in the late war.

Mr. Carpenter began his talk by welcoming the ladies present, saying that the heart of the women of North Carolina beats in unison with the principles of democracy. He reviewed the record the Democratic party had made in North Carolina in the last twenty years, pointing out the wonderful progress achieved. When the Democrats came into power in 1900 North Carolina stood twenty-second in the list of States in agriculture. Now she stands third in both agriculture and manufacture and last year paid more Federal taxes than all the other South Atlantic States put together. He stated that John Parker had taken as his issue the revaluation act when, in the 1919 legislature, Republicans as well as Democrats voted for it. He said that the objectionable features were removed at the recent session of the legislature, at which time only one Republican voted for it. Discussing the splendid features of the revaluation act he said that it was best for the poor man as it exempts him and lets the man who is able pay the largest part of the taxes. Declaring that the Southland was the land of true Americanism, he urged the voters to decide the present issues which are the most momentous that have ever been presented to a people.

Mr. Wilson, in the closing speech of the evening, touched upon the several candidates present, expressing his pleasure at being in Belmont and his delight at seeing so many ladies present. He had wanted, he said, to nominate a lady to succeed Dr. Wilkins and that one a splendid lady from Belmont, but was unable to do so as she refused to allow it. He welcomed the women into the party for the influence for honesty and purity they would bring into it, saying that he hoped they would soon be holding some of the offices men had thought no one else could hold. Reviewing the wonderful progress made during Wilson's administration, he said that the world would be astounded if it could only be realized. He then took up the Federal Reserve Board as one of the most wonderful achievements, saying that it was the greatest financial system in the world. Telling of the wars still being carried on in Europe and the terrible disasters there on account of our failure to join the league of nations, he urged the women to join with the men in voting for the Democratic party which stands pledged to put America where she is in honor bound to be.

Dinner Party in Charlotte. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Hall entertained at dinner at the Selwyn in Charlotte Friday evening, having as their guests Miss Etta Williams and Miss Myra Nixon of the school faculty.

Handsome New Cars Here. Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Stowe have received the elegant new car they recently purchased, a beautiful Packard touring car. Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Stowe have also bought a handsome new car, a Cadillac Limousine. With the other handsome

HON. JOHN G. CARPENTER SPEAKS AT CONOVER

Democratic County Chairman Delivers Strong Speech at Conover Saturday Night.

A large audience of both men and women greeted Hon. John G. Carpenter at Conover, Saturday night, where Mr. Carpenter delivered a strong appeal in behalf of Democracy. Mr. Carpenter devoted the first part of his speech to the achievements of the Democratic party in North Carolina and then passed to the national issues. His speech was entirely free from bitterness, but he pointed out in no uncertain terms the false and deceptive position of the Republican party on the League of Nations. He closed with a strong appeal to the men and women of Catawba to rally to the standard of the party of their fathers, to vote for every Democratic candidate on the ticket and to put their county back into the Democratic column.

GREATEST SERVICE OF LEGION MEMBERS IS STAND FOR LAW AND ORDER, SAYS D'OLIER

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 27.—The greatest single service American Legion members have rendered their country is their "virile stand for the maintenance of law and order," Franklin D'Olier, national commander of the American Legion, told the second annual convention of the legion at its opening session here today.

"We quickly served notice in no uncertain terms upon those wild radicals who would by force attempt to injure those very institutions we had risked our lives to protect," Commander D'Olier said. "We stated plainly we were ready for them and could meet their force with far greater force sufficient to stop them instantly."

"During these present days of unrest and readjustment, the American Legion and the stand of the ex-service man for law and order is the greatest possible insurance policy our country could possibly have, and the only insurance premium the ex-service man expects in return is simply fair play from that government with which he has played so fair."

"To the American Legion there is no east or west, no north or south, no Jew or Gentile, no Protestant or Catholic, no capital or labor, no employer or employe, no republican or democrat. The American Legion is the only organization in which is represented every good element in the entire country. It is the nearest attempt at organizing public opinion and we all know that when public opinion speaks it speaks with authority. And so during this past year, you have played fair with every element in the legion and have thus gained the support of public opinion, and so the closer we stick to sound public opinion, the greater will be our service to our country and the better able we will be to look after our comrades needing our help."

FREIGHT CAR THIEVES SURROUNDED IN THICKET

CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 27.—Baltimore & Ohio railroad detectives early this morning asked aid of Cincinnati police in capturing three alleged freight car thieves of East Madisonville. The thieves were armed with shotguns, the detectives reported, and shots had already been exchanged.

The robbers were traced following the discovery that a Baltimore & Ohio freight car had been looted and a large quantity of goods and fresh meats thrown from cars. An auto-truck had been used to gather up the loot from along the tracks. Railroad detectives trailed the truck and when they found it early this morning, three armed men fled from it and took refuge in the woods, Cincinnati police were told.

A Pennsylvania inventor has patented a device that enables an invalid who cannot reach his feet in comfort to pull on his stockings.

Cars that have been owned here for some time, Belmont can now make a fine showing in the automobile line.

Personals.

Mr. F. D. Williams, of Orangeburg, S. C., arrived here Saturday to visit his sister, Mrs. Marion Crawford.

Misses Meliabel Crawford and Katherine Stowe spent Saturday in Charlotte on a shopping trip.

Miss Fannie Bumgardner returned Saturday after spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Bumgardner, near Mt. Holly.

Miss Ellen Rhyne is spending some time in Bessemer City with her sister, Mrs. Howard Fraley. Last week Mr. and Mrs. Fraley and Miss Rhyne enjoyed a week's motor trip to Blowing Rock.

Miss Gaynelle Rhyne is spending the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. Fraley, in Bessemer.

Mr. R. L. Stowe, Jr., came down from Davidson Friday and spent the week-end with home folks.

Mrs. J. Math Armstrong, who has been very ill for some weeks, was taken Sunday afternoon to the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, where she was to undergo an operation on Monday.

Mrs. R. A. Beatty, of route one, was taken last Friday to the Presbyterian Hospital in Charlotte, where she will undergo an operation on Tuesday.

BOLL WEEVIL SCARE WAS FALSE ALARM

State Entomologist Identifies Specimen Sent Him as Nut Weevil, Which is Not Harmful to Cotton.

Those who read the article in last Friday's Gazette stating a suspicious looking bug, thought possibly to be the boll weevil, had been found on the Royster farm near Bessemer City, will be relieved on learning that the specimen was not the boll weevil, but what is known as a "nut weevil." The following letter received yesterday by County Agent Lee Gowan from the State Entomologist explains the matter in full:

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 25, 1920
Mr. C. Lee Gowan,
County Agent,
Gastonia, N. C.

Dear Mr. Gowan:—
Your specimens with question received. Am glad to relieve your mind. No — it is not "he" or "it" — it is not Cotton Boll Weevil. It is one of the nut-weevils, apparently one which infests acorns. They are sometimes found on cotton, but are not known to do it any injury — and they are a quite frequent cause of mistaken reports of Boll-weevil, even by those who have "lived in Texas" or who have just come from the weevil country and know it (know it in their own opinion).

The spread of Boll-weevil this fall — which has now apparently begun, may bring it into your county — or may not. I am glad to receive any specimens which arouse suspicion. While it is of interest and importance to learn the truth — it is desirable not to be disturbed by erroneous reports.

We are receiving specimens like yours almost every day.

Very truly yours,
FRANKLIN SHERMAN,
Entomologist.

GREENSBORO BOY DEAD IN AUTOMOBILE WRECK

R. S. McClamrock Killed and Two Others Hurt When Car Turns Over.

GREENSBORO, Sept. 26.—R. S. McClamrock, Jr., aged 17 years, is dead and James Poole, aged 16, and Clifton Baxter, also 16 years old, are injured as the result of the automobile in which they and two other boys were riding, turning over on the road between Guilford College and Jamestown, six miles from here, this afternoon. Young McClamrock died a few minutes after the car turned turtle.

James Poole has a severe cut in his head and Clifton Baxter suffered a broken arm in the accident. One of the other occupants of the car, John Boren, may be injured internally, according to physicians. The other, Ed Dechase, was not injured. All the boys live here. Young McClamrock was the son of R. S. McClamrock, a prominent citizen of this place. The accident was caused by the car skidding when it struck a sandy place on the road.

Young Poole is a brother of Mrs. Ed C. Adams, of this city. He is a student in the Greensboro high school.

Late advices from Greensboro today to Mrs. Adams state that young Poole is not seriously hurt, and that he is back in school today.

HARDING SPEAKS AT BALTIMORE TONIGHT

ON BOARD SENATOR HARDING'S SPECIAL TRAIN, Sept. 27.—Traveling eastward on his second speaking trip of the campaign, Senator Harding, republican nominee for president, was greeted by cheering crowds today at the stations where his train made short stops on its way across Pennsylvania.

The first leg of the three day journey will be concluded at Baltimore, where the candidate will arrive late this afternoon and will deliver tonight his second important speech of the campaign away from Marion. Tomorrow night he is to speak in Wheeling, W. Va., and the following day at Ashland, Ky.

Running on a slow schedule the special train traversed Pennsylvania at a speed which permitted stops for rear platform speeches at several of the larger cities. A still greater number of stops were scheduled for the other two days of the trip, however, and it was expected that the nominee would make numerous short speeches in addition to three formal addresses on his program.

CROWDS GREET HARDING.

ALTOONA, Pa., Sept. 27.—A large crowd, including many women, greeted Senator Harding, republican candidate for president, when he arrived here this morning en route to Baltimore. He was obliged to appear without collar and necktie, owing to the fact that he was not called early enough.

He made a brief speech in which he stated that the Cummins-Esch bill was one of the best pieces of legislation ever enacted for the workers.

Italy's silk production this year is officially estimated at 59,500,000 pounds of cocoons, an increase of 37 per cent from last year.

Intended for home, school or business use, a new motion picture projector uses pictures arranged spirally on a disk instead of a film.

AMERICAN LEGION IN SESSION IN CLEVELAND

Twenty Thousand Former Soldiers and Service Women March in Big Parade — Legislation Affecting Legion.

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 27.—More than 1,000 delegates were in their seats in the Hippodrome theater this morning when Franklin D'Olier, national commander, called to order the second annual convention of the American Legion. The floor of the theater resembled one of the big political conventions, state standards and pennants designating seats allotted to the various delegations.

The convention prepared to adjourn at noon to witness the parade this afternoon of approximately 20,000 former soldiers and ex-service women, the feature of the three days convention.

One of the first important matters to be presented before the conventions after the preliminaries was a report of the credentials committee. The committee was in session early today to draw up two questions.

These are: Shall each department be allowed only its five delegates and one additional delegate for each even 1,000 paid up members, or shall it be allowed one additional delegate for each 1,000 paid up members or major fraction thereof?

Shall the posts in foreign countries be allowed votes in the convention.

Pending decision of these two questions the voting strength at the convention ranged between 1,047 and 1,156.

Legion organizations in Mexico, Panama, Philippine Islands, Porto Rico, Argentina, Belgium, British Isles, Canada, Chile, China, Cuba, France, Guatemala, Japan, Poland, Samoa and Santo Domingo were involved.

The executive committee decided last night that representation in the convention should be on the basis of paid up national dues August 28, last, which on that date totaled 818,680. There was strong objection to this ruling by many states, particularly New Jersey, where it was said, the membership had been increased by eleventh hour efforts from 22,000 to 36,000. National dues for more than 1,000,000 men have been received now, it was said.

R. G. Creviston, director of organization for the legion, said more than two million men have joined the legion. He explained the disparity between that figure and the number of national dues received represent delinquents and unacknowledged payments of national dues.

How the case of the ex-service men and particularly the disabled has been championed in Washington during the past 10 months was shown by the report of John Thomas Taylor, chairman of the national legislative committee.

In all 497 different bills were presented to the 66th congress and vitally affected the veterans. The legislative committee's duty was to see that action was taken on them.

The first convention of the legion in Minneapolis last November adopted a platform, covering everything from war risk insurance to army nurses. The committee has had bills introduced covering every resolution adopted at the first convention.

High lights in the legislative accomplishments of the legion are: The Sweet bill, increasing the allowance to disabled men from \$30 to \$50 a month; the obtaining of \$46,000,000 for hospitalization for the disabled; increase in pay of vocational training students from \$80 to \$100 a month; investigation of the methods of the federal board for vocational training leading to improvements; laws to expel and exclude aliens who are anarchists.

Among the bills that have passed in only the senate or the house are the Wasson bill that improves the war risk insurance act, and the adjusted compensation bill.

Other legislation that is pending covers such subjects as hospitalization, land settlement, officers retirement, sedition, aliens, immigration, Americanization, civil service, slackers, and war risk insurance. Reduction of war risk insurance premiums, an issue to be brought before the convention, will be opposed by members of the war risk bureau, it was stated by Major General Grover F. Sexton, of the bureau. The opposition of the bureau will be based on what members feel to be the unsound business policy involved.

Colonel R. G. Cholmely-Jones, director of the bureau, will discuss changes in methods of compensation and hospitalization proposed in the Wasson bill.

The convention will close Wednesday with the election of officers, and adoption of a ritual for initiation into the legion.

The most prominent names mentioned in connection with the nomination for national commander are F. W. Galbraith, of Cincinnati; Milton J. Forman, of Illinois; Emmett O'Neil, of Kentucky, and Handford MacNider, of Iowa.

Approximately 50,000 visitors were here today to witness the parade. A half holiday was proclaimed by Mayor Fitzgerald. Schools and many factories were closed for the afternoon, and all downtown stores closed when the procession passed.

FOCH'S MESSAGE.

CLEVELAND, O., Sept. 27.—Greetings from Marshal Foch, of France, were read

DEPOSITORS MAKE RUN ON BOSTON BANK

Hundreds on Hand When Doors Opened — Bank Invokes Law to Stop Withdrawals.

BOSTON, Sept. 27.—Several hundred persons gathered outside the offices of the Tremont Trust Company here today when the doors were opened at 8:45 a. m., 15 minutes before the usual hour, and lines quickly formed before the several paying tellers' windows. After withdrawals had been going on steadily for nearly an hour with the crowds constantly increasing, the bank officials announced that the law permitting a bank to require 90 days' notice for withdrawals from the savings departments would be invoked forthwith "for the protection of the depositors." The regulation would be withdrawn "as soon as the public calmed itself," it was announced.

"We have plenty of money to pay everybody," officials said, "and were prepared to do so this morning, but the crowd became so large that it was impossible to handle them, and we invoked the law for the protection of the depositors, not for our own protection."

In opening for business today the Fidelity Trust Company served notice on depositors that it would take advantage of the law permitting it to require 90 days' notice of withdrawals from the savings department. It was stated at the bank that this was done upon the direction of Joseph C. Allen, state bank commissioner. At his office it was said that the taking of this action was optional with the banks.

Several banks opened their doors with large amounts of ready cash piled high within the tellers' cages as provision against a repetition of their uns which developed Saturday out of the closing of the Cosmopolitan Trust Company.

Bank officials in several instances announced by statement or advertisement that there was no connection between the Cosmopolitan, which was the fifth bank to be closed here within two months, and their institutions, and Bank Commissioner Allen declared that no other banking institution was involved in the Cosmopolitan's troubles.

Nevertheless, a recurrence of the runs in some degree was anticipated, depositors having become alarmed, and, in the case of the Tremont Trust Company, having made constant withdrawals from early morning to nearly midnight Saturday.

The feeling of uncertainty over the banking situation was the schedule of discussion by Governor Coolidge and Bankers yesterday, but without announced decision of any contemplated action.

On close scrutiny of affairs of local banks which Commissioner Allen has been making, was an order from him to the management of the Old South Trust Company to drop from its payroll former Governor Samuel W. McCall, and four other officials, including two vice presidents. As chairman of the board of directors of the company, Mr. McCall, who was appointed recently, is drawing a salary of \$8,000 a year. The object of the order is to reduce the bank's expenses, it being the opinion of the bank commissioner that the men he asked to have dropped are holding merely nominal positions. In each instance, they may continue to serve in their present capacity without salary, according to the order from the bank commissioner to the Old South management.

MCGRAW TO TESTIFY.

NEW YORK, Sept. 27.—John J. McGraw and Magistrate Francis X. McQuade, manager and treasurer, respectively, of the New York Nationals, today accepted a telegraphic request of the Cook county (Illinois) grand jury to testify in the investigation of alleged baseball gambling. They planned to reach Chicago in time for Mr. McGraw to testify either tomorrow or Wednesday.

Mr. McQuade explained that they could not be compelled to appear before the grand jury of another state, but that they were both anxious to offer their services in order to clear up this business.

to the American Legion convention here today. He sent this message:

"To the American Legion in Convention Assembled, Cleveland O.:

"Regretting my inability to find myself among the former combatants of the glorious American army, my heart is with them at the moment of the second anniversary of the fighting they went through by the side of the allies for the common cause of right and liberty. I again render homage to the valor and to the tenacity which they unceasingly showed on the battlefields of France; in the days of misfortune and the days of success; the magnificent enthusiasm with which they answered our call; the great part they took in the sacrifices of war; the glorious remembrance of those who fell on our soil will remain a token of the profound gratitude and the indestructible union of our two countries. I send my cordial greeting to Cleveland, the 'steel city,' and to the great state of Ohio, which has furnished to America so many illustrious statesmen and to France so many faithful friends.

"F. FOCH.

"Marshal of France."