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WEST OF MISSISSIPPI WILL BE BIG BATTLE GROUND PRES. ELEC.

Some Republican Leaders Advocate Chicago for Headquarters Instead of New York

CHAIRMAN HAYS COMPLETES CON.

Chicago, June 15.—Chairman Hays completed his conference with the Western leaders of the Republican National Committee today and left for his home in Indiana from where he will go to Washington to meet Harding. Emphasized by Western leaders the territory West of the Mississippi river will be the big battle ground of the Presidential election. Some leaders advocate establishing the Republican headquarters in Chicago instead of New York.

4 BOSTON FACTORIES COMBINE TO SELL SHOES BY RETAIL

Will place about a Million Dollars Worth On Market

CASH IS NEEDED

Boston, Mass., June 15.—Shoe manufacturers who were caught with much stock on hand when the slump in prices came have gone into the retail business on a large scale to sell directly to the public.

Four combined their stock, valued at \$500,000 and threw it on the market in Boston last week at a large sacrifice. Several Lynn manufacturers have just decided upon a similar course. They have pooled their holdings, rented one of the largest retail buildings in Boston, mustered in a staff of salesmen and will place approximately \$1,000,000 worth of shoes on the open market this week, in sharp competition with retail merchants.

Manufacturers say they must follow that course in order to convert stock into cash quickly as credit is restricted by the Federal Reserve Bank, to buy raw material and keep factories in operation.

Without such action many of those factories would be compelled to close, for the shoes which they are selling directly to the consumers were rejected by retailers on account of late deliveries and could not be converted into cash promptly in any other way.—Copyright, 1920 the Public Ledger Company.—Ledger Dispatch.

HARDING WILL NOT RETIRE FROM SENATE

Washington, June 15.—Harding does not intend to retire from the Senate until his term expires, he said today. Friends explained for him to retire from Senate would endanger the narrow margin of contestants held by the Republicans as his retirement would enable Governor Cox of Ohio to appoint a democrat in his place. They also said that should Harding be elected President in November he could continue to serve in the Senate as he would not be inaugurated until his term as Senator expired on March Fourth.

INFANT MORTALITY ON THE DECREASE

Washington, June 15.—Infant mortality rates for nineteen hundred and nineteen have decreased materially compared with the four previous years, according to the census bureau announcement today.

SOUTH CAR. LEGION OPPOSE A CASH BONUS

Spartanburg, June 15.—Representatives of the Carolina legion in special convention today discussed with drawal from the National organization because the National officers of the legion are active in advocating cash bonuses for service men. Prominent members of the state branch are outspoken in their opposition to cash bonus.

MORRISON'S PLURALITY IS 187 VOTES

Raleigh, June 15.—Cameron Morrison of Charlotte obtained plurality of one hundred and eighty seven votes over Lieutenant O. Max Gardner of Shelby for the Democratic nomination for Governor in the state primary held on June fifth. It was learned unofficially at the office of the state board of elections this afternoon. Robert N. Page ran third and about seven thousand votes behind Mr. Morrison. On the basis of these figures a second primary between Gardner and Mr. Morrison on July third was assured. On account of there being a possibility of an error in the figures from Johnston county, which it was understood might cut Mr. Morrison's lead to eighty seven votes, the board of elections will not make official announcement of canvass for the returns until Johnston county has confirmed its figures, according to a well informed person at the office of the board of elections when the canvass was completed the figures gave Morrison forty nine thousand one hundred and seventy and Gardner forty eight thousand nine hundred and eighty.

HARDING A FRIEND TO MEXICO HUERTA

Mexico City, June 15.—Provisional President De La Huerta declared at a dinner last night, he considered Senator Harding "a friend of Mexico".

BOLSHEVIKS WILL NOT PAY NATL. DEBT

Soviet Minister Krassin Repudiates All Debts Up To 1917

TELLS BRITISH MIN.

London, June 15.—Soviet Russia does not recognize its liability for debts contracted by Russia up to November nineteen seventeen says times reporting conversation between the British ministers and Gregory Krassin the Bolshevik minister for trade and commerce.

OXFORD ORPHANAGE SINGING CLASS

The Oxford Orphanage Singing Class gave one of its delightful entertainments at the Chataqua tent last night before the program was put on and while the class only gave half of their program it was nearly nine o'clock before it was through. The unusually fine rendition of the splendid selections of songs and recitations showed skillful and painstaking training and the large audience was delighted for the applause was not only frequent but often prolonged.

There were fourteen in the class. Ten girls and four boys. The children as usual were taken care of by the good people of the town. They came by invitation of Lodge No. 470 A. F. and A. M.

TROTZKY AND LENINE RUMORS FALSE

Copenhagen, June 15.—Maxim Litvinoff a Russian Bolshevik Asst. Commissioner for foreign affairs today received telegram from Trotzky and Lenine this appears to disposed of the Tokio rumors that Trotzky was murdered and Lenine had fled Moscow.

SENT TO PRISON FOR PREJURY

New York, June 15.—Police inspector Dominick Henry of the Tenderloin district was found guilty of perjury Friday in connection with New York's vice war and sentenced today from two to five years.

WIRELESS OPERATORS GO ON STRIKE TODAY

London, June 15.—A strike of the Marine wireless operators that will affect all ports and shipping was declared today by union men demanding a wage increase, approximately one hundred and eighty percent over pre-war rates.

FED. OF LABOR RADICAL IN VIEWS

Montreal, June 15.—Resolutions demanding the government ownership of railroads, lifting the blockade against Russia. The recognition of the Russian Soviet Government the release of "political prisoners" and the reclassification of Government Civil Service employees were up for discussion before the convention of the American Federation of Labor convention today.

COMMITTEE OF 48 TO NAME CANDIDATE

Lafollette Is Leading In Third Party Movement

PARTY STATEMENT

Chicago, June 15.—Senator Lafollette is leading in a referendum vote to be taken among the members of the committee of forty eight as a suitable candidate for the Presidential nomination, according to the party headquarters statement.

ITALY IS TO BE PAID OVER 2 BILLION DOL.

Paris, June 15.—Italy's claims on the reparations paid by the central empires was fixed at sixty billion and six hundred million lire normally about twelve billion one hundred million dollars according to the Rome dispatches.

2 KILLED 40 INJURED IN WRECK ON SANTA FEE

La Junta, Calif., June 15.—Two persons were killed when a California limited on the Santa Fee was wrecked near Reno, Colorado today at Santa Fee hospital here they announced that forty were injured has been given treatment most of these hurt will recover.

DASHEEN WILL SUPPLEMENT POTATO IN THE SOUTH

The first carload of American-grown dasheens recently arrived at New York. They were grown on the east coast of Florida. Owing to the limited quantities shipped to market at present the vegetable, which is recommended as a substitute for the potato in locations where that crop can not be grown, is high in price, selling for as much as 15 cents a pound in New York within the past week.

The Trinidad dasheen, which is a particularly fine flavored variety of the taro, is one of 46,000 foreign plants introduced into the United States by the Department of Agriculture. It was brought here in the belief that it would yield the South a tuber crop which could be used to supplement the potato. It contains 50 per cent more starch and 50 per cent more protein than the potato.

Dasheens can not be grown in the North, but they are finding favor among consumers in that section of the country. Dealers in Washington and New York report that they are having difficulty in meeting the demand for the new tuber, even at the high prices.

LOUISIANA DEFEATS WOMAN SUFFRAGE

Baton Rouge, June 15.—The Lower House Louisiana Legislature defeated ratification of the Federal Woman Suffrage Amendment sixty seven to four.

Baton Rouge, June 15.—Prior to the vote of the House declined to hear Representative Baker of California who desired to speak in support of the amendment.

THE BANK OF ENGLAND IS TO BE REBUILT IN MODERN STYLE

It Was Established In 1691 And The Oldest National Bank In Europe

BUILDING COVERS FOUR ACRES

HIGH HEELS AND SILK STOCKINGS PUT FINISH TO HAREMS

According To Turks Of Good Family

WIVES EXPENSIVE

Constantinople, June 15.—The high cost of living has brought with it the doom of the harem, according to Turks of good family. Another war legacy to the old Ottoman capital is a new craze among women for high heels and silk stockings.

This is how a son of Naby Bey, Turkish ambassador to Rome, describes the new conditions here:

"We eat, drink, sleep and dress like anybody else in the world. Atheism and indifference have taken the place of religious feeling. No more art, no more local color.

"Business everywhere, unscrupulous commercialism and the get-rich-quick mania are all that remain of the old Turkish traditions of a quiet, contemplative life. Our houses are furnished with cheap German furniture and bent wood chairs from Vienna. Our women wear high heels, low frocks and bonnets, ape the Paris models and have a craze for fox-trot music, peroxide hair and silk stockings.

"Some of them, to get a decent apology for the many hours they are fond of spending out of doors learn shorthand and typewriting and some of them don't ever seek an apology.

"Polygamy is a thing of the past. One wife is already much too expensive a burden for the modern Turk. You know that our women had all to be treated exactly in the same way; the harem favorite is an utter Occidental fancy. A jewel, a frock, a present of any kind given to one wife had to be given to the others as well. You have seen what prices are now in Turkey; who could afford more than one wife?"

But for those who already know Constantinople and remember the town in pre-war days the most astonishing thing—more so indeed than unveiled women, Turkish children on roller-skates, and cars driven by Turkish chauffeurs—is the fantastic, unjustified, mad increase in prices.

Turkish cigarettes can be bought at about half the Constantinople price on Broadway, goods of Oriental origin like carpets, china, brass, have an increase in price that often reaches 2,000 per cent., and European and American goods are at prohibitive prices.

London, June 15.—The Bank of England is to be rebuilt. The governors and court of directors of the institution for the past 25 years have considered the advisability of replacing the black, one-story "Old Lady of Threadneedle Street" with a more modern and commodious structure. The inadequacy of the venerable pile to meet present-day needs has necessitated the establishment, since the beginning of the war, of six outside branch offices in various parts of London to house the banks growing army of clerks and newly created departments.

Established in 1691, the Bank of England is the oldest national bank in Europe. Millions of people throughout the world know the outside of the low, black building which for more than two centuries has been the Empire's financial center. Its central part was erected in 1732-4 but the outer part, which one sees from adjacent streets, dates from 1788.

The present building spreads over 4 acres of what is perhaps the most valuable real estate in the world, in the heart of London's world training center. At least once, in December, 1825, it saved the country from bankruptcy. During the Lord George riots of June 1780 it withstood a two-days attack by a mob which was driven off by soldiers stationed outside and clerks and bank officials who mounted the walls. Since that date the bank has been guarded every night by a detachment of thirty-six soldiers, who, commanded by an officer, march down from London Tower and take up their positions on the walls at sundown.

A number of windows, which broke the blank solidarity of the bank's outer walls, were closed with huge blocks of granite after the rioting but their outline is traced by the remaining sills.

WATER POWER BILL MAY BE SIGNED

Washington, June 15.—The White House officials today still professed to have no information as to whether the President had signed the waterpower bill. They said at the White House yesterday an announcement on the subject would be made today.

TWO CAPTAINS AND A MAJOR SHOT

Mexico City, June 15.—Few summary executions marked the latest revolution. Unconfirmed reports tell of some in Tabasco but only four have thus far been confirmed. They were those of Carranza troops in Pachuca of four Obregon leaders: Colonel Cuthberto Ramirez, Captain Marcelino Ramirez, Captain Eduardo Esparaza and Major Vincente Esparaza Paz.