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## MECKLINBURG MAN LEADS GARDNER BY OVER 8000 VOTES

### The Suffrage Question is Thought by Many The Cause Of Gardner's Defeat

## IS OPINION OF EX. GOV. KITCHIN

This morning's papers gave Atty. Morrisons lead in the second primary over Lieutenant Gov. Gardner as more than eight thousand votes with returns more or less complete from 95 counties but enough to give him a good majority however they may be. This assures Mr. Morrison the Governorship of the great state of North Carolina for with his knowledge of politics ability to meet the best the republicans can send out as well as their plans and stock in argument it will be easy sailing.

Former Governor W. W. Kitchin is an easterner and he adds his testimony to the plenary and overwhelming evidence that woman suffrage was the undoing of Gardner. Mr. Kitchin is a ratificationist, but not a suffragist. He "was originally opposed to woman suffrage," albeit he would not have advertised it had he been running on the ticket. Governor Kitchin is a Halifax man and Halifax was for Gardner overwhelmingly in the first primary. It barely gave him a majority in a vote heavier the second time than it was in the first.

But Northampton did Gardner the commonest trick of them all. The labor union issue cut no more issue there than the Five Points of Calvin. Northampton was generated by Summer Burgwyn, a worse yield-tonomer than Representative Redwine of Union ever dared to be. Summer had the courage of both his convictions and his emotions at the late Democratic state convention. He went on the platform committee and on the bench of the convention, tearing both his hair and his shirt in an effort to best suffrage. Cameron Morrison was silent. Yet Northampton where Burgwyn is known and his suffrage views are an open book, Gardner who polled 1,023 June 5, against 299 for Page and 398 for Morrison Saturday got 838 to 985 for Morrison. Morrison gained nearly 600 new votes and Gardner lost 200 of his former supporters.

The second primary was such a landslide in the act for Morrison that the gains from Gardner in the west cannot overcome the lead. The fight emphasis was placed on suffrage everywhere. Mr. Tamuly discovering too late the propaganda against suffrage furthered by the department man in the east, could do nothing to stop the anomalous activity. The state board of elections was sending out reading matter which was advice to all men who disbelieved in suffrage to vote for Morrison. The formula was this: The Susan B. Anthony amendment confers the right of suffrage upon the negro women as well as the white. If you are for woman suffrage, vote for Gardner; if you are opposed to it, vote for Morrison." The fact the Anthony amendment confers suffrage on nobody but merely removes sex as a bar to suffrage, never could pierce

## OPIMUM BEING GROWN DESPITE STRINGENT LAWS AGAINST IT

### Over 100 Opium Shops are Located in Shanghai China

## GOV'T TO DESTROY IT

Shanghai, July 6.—Opium is being grown extensively in parts of Fukien province despite the law against it, according to a mission worker stationed at Yeping. He writes to the Anti-Opium Society:

"At the city of Yungan, the headquarters of the Southern forces, I found they were growing opium extensively; even in the grounds of the yamen itself the ground was white with poppy. I was told there were over 100 opium shops in the city licensed for one dollar per night marked places for the breaking of the opium habit."

"The military are forcing the people to plant the drug and no matter what the value of the crop may be, they are to be taxed a definite amount."

Of course no such campaign will ever be conducted again; meanwhile Morrison is nominated and Gardner is beaten. To win a nomination it has been necessary to advise his hostility to the President, "The Senator", the state, the national platforms.

But Morrison's majority is not altogether a stag party. Not only did petticoated politics participate in the persons of Alf M. Scales, Frank Hobgood, Charley Hines, Will Everett and Josiah William Bailey, the unbifurcated skirt took part. The best help that Morrison has was Mrs. S. W. Summers. She has more sense, political sense than a half dozen Morrison managers. She pulled more of the labor vote his way than all others did. Her father was a Southern engineer and the Weatherspoon lodge in Greensboro was named for him. She brought the pep and the consecration to his cause. She radiated enthusiasm and inspired killing work. And Mrs. Summers is a suffragist who must make Heriot Clark son and Cam Morrison ashamed of themselves if they would de-

## HAS MONEY HIDDEN IN SHOES AND CLOTHES

### Had Only Two Shillings and Three Pence in English Money.

## \$1,110 IN U. S. GOLD WAS SUNK BY MINE

London, July 6.—A Pole named Pietr Talla, travelling from America to Dantzig was taken ill recently in the Young Men's Christian Association hut, Waterloo Road, and removed to an infirmary. He had only two shillings and threepence in English money but hidden in his clothing he had 22 ten dollar gold pieces and paper money to the value of \$990. His shoes were found to be very heavy and when they were photographed by the X-ray, twelve large coins presumably \$10 gold pieces were found hidden between the leather and the soles of each foot.

## U. S. WILL RETURN ALL ALIEN PROPERTY

Washington, July 6.—The amendment to the trading with the Enemy Act passed by the recent session of Congress authorizes the return of \$150,000,000 of enemy property, according to estimates of the Alien Property Custodian's office. There will remain more than \$350,000,000 in seized property in the hands of that official.

Under the amendment, the A. P. C., as the office is generally known in government circles, will release property of several American heiresses who married foreign noblemen, property of the German embassy, enemy diplomats, all aliens who were interned, citizens of new nations and states created by the Treaty of Peace, and women of allied or neutral countries who married enemy subjects.

Americans who were held in Germany during the war and whose property here was taken over, may now recover title, no matter where they are resident.

The amendment also extends the privilege of prosecuting claims against enemy debtors to creditors in allied and neutral nations on condition that the same privilege is extended to American creditors by those nations holding enemy property.

There is to be no "informal return" of property by the Alien Property Custodian under the new legislation, it was announced today. The procedure to be followed in securing possession of seized property involves formal application to the President, and filing of a claim on the A. P. C. After the application has been approved and returned, the Attorney General will issue an order for the release of the property at issue.

Mr. Claude Parks of Richmond Va. arrived yesterday to spend a few days with Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Butts.

her the protection that the ballot affords. Wake Gives Morrison 2,213 and Gardner 2,589, a majority of 458.—Greensboro Daily News.

## EFFORTS TO RECOVER SHIPS GOLD TO BE MADE

### Lying in The Wreck Of British Auxiliary Cruiser

## \$1,110 IN U. S. GOLD WAS SUNK BY MINE

Londonderry, Eng., July 6.—Efforts will be resumed this summer to recover the £4,000,000 of gold still lying in the wreck of the British auxiliary cruiser Laurentie which was sunk by a mine off the mouth of Lough Swilly in January, 1917, while on her way to New York. The bullion is in bars each of which is worth £3,000,000 since has been recovered.

Up to now the weather has been unfavorable and, as the wreck lies an exposed position, the salvage work can be done only in the finest weather. It is expected that some blasting will be necessary to get at the compartments in which the gold was carried. The work is being done by the Racer, a salvage ship.

## REFUSE TO SURRENDER THEIR FIRE ARMS

Berlin, July 6.—There is a reluctance on the part of some German farmers to surrender their firearms, due to "the legitimate desire to protect their homes against marauders", Minister of Agriculture Braun said to a Tageblatt representative. He added, however that a number of farmers have been "storing arms deliberately for subversive purposes," but he said these were not as numerous as generally believed.

"If the people only will keep their heads," Herr Braun said, "I do not believe there will be any organized outbreak in the near future. The rural situation at this time inspires confidence."

## HARDING HAS SPEECH ACCEPT. ABOUT READY

Marion, Ohio, July 6.—Sen. Harding had no engagement today but planned to devote himself exclusively to clearing away the mass of correspondence and other work accumulated since he left Washington Saturday. During the next few days he plans to devote much time to the preparation of his speech of acceptance. Every since his nomination has been accumulating material for this purpose and now he has it in such shape it needs only to put the ideas on paper.

Marion, Ohio, July 6.—Senator Harding in a statement said that Cox deserved the nomination but he added that his selection would not change the Republican campaign plans in Ohio in any way.

### COTTON MARKET

July	39.75
October	33.43
December	32.13
January	31.45
March	38.89

## COX. OF OHIO NOMINATED ON THE FORTY-FOURTH BALLOT

### Nomination Was Made Unanimous By Manager Of McAdoo Forces

## ADJOURNED AT 1:40 THIS A. M.

## AIR PASSENGER RATES ARE EXPECTED TO BE REDUCED SHORTLY

### Many are Wondering if The Day is Far Distant

## LONDON-PARIS LIVE

Paris, July 6th, 1920.—Early announcement is expected of the reduction of passenger rates for air travel between London and Paris and many are wondering if the day is far distant when it may be cheaper to travel by air than by land and sea. At the beginning of the London-Paris air service last year price for one way ticket on small fast machines was 20 guineas and 15 guineas on the larger passenger ships. It is now reported that fares will soon be reduced to £10, 10 shillings.

In one recent week's flying more than 100 passengers were carried in the London-Paris air service and it is hoped that a reduction in price will increase the number of passengers. There have been an ever-increasing number of inquiries for the service but the price has discouraged many prospective passengers.

## PHOSPHATE DEPOSITS FOUND IN MOROCCO

Paris, July 6.—Discovery of large deposits of phosphate in the Moroccan hinterland, may soon make France the great phosphate producing country of the world.

The Moroccan deposits are reported by Professor Louis Gentil of the Sorbonne as being almost inexhaustible. One hundred miles inland from Casablanca there is a mountain plateau, 40 miles long and 25 miles wide which is a veritable storehouse of phosphate. A railway is to be built to this mountain and a monopoly has been given to the Moroccan government for the sale of the phosphate.

France already has huge potash deposits in Alsace.

## HARDING CONGRAT. GOV. COX ON VICTOR

Columbus, July 6.—Sen. Harding has wired Gov. Cox. "I recall a much talked of cartoon which portrayed you and me as newsboys contesting for the White House delivery. It seems to have been prophetic as an Ohioan and fellow publisher I congratulate you on your noble victory."

San Francisco, July 6.—James M. Cox Governor of Ohio was nominated for President by the Democratic National convention on the 44th ballot at 1:40 o'clock this morning. When it became evident that he would get the required two-thirds, Sam D. Amidon, of Kansas, manager of the McAdoo forces, moved that the Cox nomination be made unanimous. It carried in a roar of eyes and a crashing of brass bands. After a demonstration lasting four minutes the convention adjourned until noon today when the Vice President will be nominated.

San Francisco, July 6.—Governor Cox of Ohio was nominated early this morning. It took forty four ballots to make the choice, and not until the thirty eighth when Palmer withdrew from the race that the roll call showed any definite trend to turn over the Palmer delegates. Cox gained advantage over McAdoo in balloting and that advantage never was lost. With the choice made the convention adjourned till noon today to name a candidate for the vice President. Should it be decided to give second place to the East Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York will be put up. The asst. secretary of the navy seemed to be the favorite, but if the nomination goes West there are several possibilities talked about by the leaders. Cox got majority for the first time on forty third ballot and on the forty fourth was plunged toward the required two thirds when Colorado changed its vote and made the nomination obvious it was then made unanimous in the motion for the same by Amidon of Kansas, a McAdoo leader.

## COX TO MAKE STATEMENT AFTER NOTIFY

Dayton, Ohio, July 6.—Gov. Cox has declined to make any statement until after he had received notification from the convention. The Governor received the news of his nomination in his newspaper office at Dayton. News surrounded by fellow newspaper workers few relatives and intimate friends when the Associated Press wire flashed the nomination. Th first act was to cross the room and embrace his wife. During the morning the Dayton Chamber of Commerce decided on a huge jollification meeting late today or tonight.

## COX TO BE URGED TO HELP SUFF. LEGISLA.

Washington, July 6.—Gov. Cox will be asked to immediately exert his influence toward the ratification of the suffrage amendment by the Tennessee legislature with national woman's party announced today.