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## Ousting Daugherty May Lose Ohio To Coolidge

At Any Rate War Is on Between President and Former Attorney General, Out of Whose Retirement Nobody but Democrats Seems to be Getting Any Satisfaction

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Washington, March 29.—War is on between former Attorney General Harry Daugherty and President Coolidge. What it will bring in the way of political effects, what damage it will do inside the Republican party, what influence it will have on the effort of Congress to say who shall and who shall not be a member of the Executive's Cabinet, it may be too early to foretell with exactness, but the retirement of the Attorney General has not been attended with much satisfaction for anybody.

The Democratic National Committee is gratified that Mr. Daugherty is out of the Cabinet, "upon any pretext whatever" but accuses the President of belated action. Mr. Daugherty himself thanks the President for the statement that "he does not question my fairness or integrity" but brands the President's action as unwise and untimely.

Mr. Daugherty's influence within the Republican party is not inconsiderable. He may lead a revolt against Mr. Coolidge on the serious charge—not uncommon in politics—that the man from Massachusetts doesn't stick by the regulars in his party. Such a movement might, on the one hand, estrange certain elements, but it might, on the other hand, win to Mr. Coolidge's side independent voters who want him to break the fetters of party.

There have been rumors for some time that opposition to the nomination of Mr. Coolidge might be led by former Governor Frank O. Lowden of Illinois. Some of Mr. Daugherty's friends insist the former Attorney General will have a good deal to say about the way the Ohio delegation votes in the next national convention. These may be empty threats, voiced at the moment, because feeling runs high. But Harry Daugherty is a factor to be reckoned with in party politics. And he will manage to keep the limelight for many weeks to come as he makes his defense against what he believes to be unwarranted attack by the Senate investigating committee.

His friends on Capitol Hill will endeavor for the party's sake to help his cause. If he succeeds in making a good impression and explaining the many innuendoes which have been broadcast from the Senate investigating committee, he will strengthen the opinion of those in the Republican party who feel today that Secretary Denby also should not have been allowed to retire without a full hearing and that Democratic sniping should not sweep Republican leaders off their feet.

As usual with important decisions, the President has been between two fires. He promised in his recent speech that no man would be sacrificed to clamor and he insists now that he is not prejudging the issue which have arisen in connection with Mr. Daugherty's fitness for the portfolio of Department of Justice. But the President, nevertheless, came to the conclusion that the investigation is too much of an embarrassment and that Mr. Daugherty could not defend himself against attacks from the Senate and conduct his office.

The thing which really weakened Mr. Daugherty's position was the widely spread understanding that he would retire soon irrespective of the outcome of the investigation. The morale of the Department of Justice is affected when it becomes known that the man at the top is likely to be leaving office any day. The President was apprised of this situation. He acted because the problems were getting more and more complicated for him.

As for a successor, several names are under consideration. One of these is Judge William S. Kenyon of Iowa. He resigned from the United States Senate to go on the Federal bench. He likes the judiciary but that being the case he must like to go to the very top. And there is usually more chance of promotion to the Supreme Court from the Department of Justice than from the district bench. Mr. Kenyon was the head of the farm bloc when in the Senate. The West has confidence in him—and it is in the West that Mr. Coolidge needs strength. Furthermore, Judge Kenyon was assistant Attorney General in the Taft administration and has a thorough familiarity with the affairs of the department. He was offered the Secretaryship of the Navy but declined because he didn't think he was fit for the portfolio. The fact that Mr. Coolidge wanted him in the Cabinet is significant. Since that time Judge Wilbur of California who, it was thought, would be Attorney General, has accepted the Navy portfolio, which enables the President to offer the job of Attorney General to Judge Kenyon. He seems the most likely choice at the moment.

## PITTSBURGH FLOOD IS WORST IN TEN YEARS

Pittsburgh, March 31.—Scores of city blocks were inundated and great damage was done in the city and surrounding county by the worst flood that has visited this section in ten years. Up to late last night no loss of life had been reported. The flood was caused by rain and melted snows from the mountain regions of western Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

## LOSES SYMPATHY FORMER ADMIRERS

Poincare Wins Little Evidence of Warmth of Approval from Chamber of Deputies in Address.

Paris, March 31.—Indications that Premier Poincare has lost the sympathies of many of the majority which once supported his previous government were seen in the Chamber of Deputies today on the occasion of his declaration of a policy for the reconstituted cabinet. He reaffirmed all the policies of the late government and declared that the French soldiers would remain in the Ruhr until France was paid. Only a few rare occasions was there any evidence of warm approval on the part of the Chamber.

HUERTA FLEES COUNTRY  
Washington, March 31.—The report that Adolfo de la Huerta had fled from Mexico was repeated in today's consular dispatches from Progress and State Department officials are inclined to believe that the story is true.

ASK ROOSEVELT RESIGN  
Washington, March 31.—A resolution calling for the resignation of Theodore Roosevelt as Assistant Secretary of the Navy was drawn up by Representative Dill of Washington, member of the oil investigating committee, today.

THROUBLE IN IRELAND  
Belfast, March 31.—A number of bridges were blown up between Longford and Athlone last night and the roads were blocked with trees across them. Great excitement prevails in the affected area.

RESTORE TAXES ON NOTES.  
Washington, March 31.—Taxes on produce exchange sales and on drafts and promissory notes were returned to the revenue bill today by the Senate Finance Committee.

## Cotton Interests Unite In View With Alarm Chorus

Warnings Being Broadcast from Various Factors in Cotton and Cotton Goods Trade but None Heeding Any Propaganda Other Than Its Own

By J. C. ROYLE  
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New York, March 31.—Continuous "warnings" are being broadcast from various factors in the cotton and cotton goods trade. Nearly every one connected with the industry in question is viewing the situation with alarm, but the dangers outlined differ widely. Factors in the New England textile situation are seriously considering an appeal to President Coolidge for governmental assistance and relief.

Conditions which are leading up to such an appeal, they say, have followed widespread curtailment of manufacture in that section. The print works and bleachers of the great Pacific mills is working but three days a week, as is the worsted plant of the company. Normal output of the print works is 5,000,000 yards a week. The Everett mills closed this week until April 7. The Lawrence duck plant is working at one-third capacity and the Acadia mill is employing only 50 per cent of its normal force.

One hundred and fifty employees of the Davis Furber Company have been laid off indefinitely. The White Valley denim mills have closed for a week and the York Manufacturing Company mills at Saco have shut down until April 7, when they will resume on a three day basis. The Pemberton mill and that of the Methuen Company are among the few that are on full time.

Manufacturers declare this curtailment is due to the fact that the public is not buying goods. Print cloths are selling at about the same level as last August, when cotton was six cents lower. Producers are issuing warnings that widespread unemployment is in immediate prospect in New England. Some declare that a cut in wages would only add further to confusion and disorganization of working forces. Others say that a decrease in wages is an absolute necessity of New England to meet the competition of the mills of the South.

The Southern mills agree that the public is not buying cotton goods and they are also curtailing production, although not to so great an extent as the Northern plants. They are

## SNAPPY WELCOME FOR BEST CITY

Raleigh Rotary Club and Special Committee Planning to Show Rotary Delegates From Here a Fast Time.

Raleigh, March 31.—The Raleigh Rotary Club and committees of the Thirty-seventh Rotary District are preparing a snappy welcome for 27 members of the Elizabeth City Club and five ladies who will attend the annual conference of the district in Raleigh, April 3 and 4.

In addition to the conference program, a series of entertainments which include teas, receptions, automobile rides, and dances have been planned. On the afternoon of the second day of the conference, visiting Rotarians and their wives will be guests at two teas: one to be given at Wakesteas, the handsome residence of former Secretary of the Navy Josephus Daniels, now prominently mentioned for the Presidential nomination at the hands of the Democratic party; and the other at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Hubert Royster, Dr. Royster being a surgeon of nation-wide repute.

The conference program presents a notable array of speakers. Among them are John Gibson of Toronto, Canada, a director of Rotary International; Albert S. Adams, past president of Rotary International, whose home is Atlanta, Georgia; Howard E. Rondthaler, Winston-Salem, who is head of Salem College and past district governor of the old seventh district; Douglas Freeman, Richmond, editor of the News-Leader and a speaker and thinker of wide appeal; Charles J. Smith, of Roanoke, Virginia, president of Roanoke College.

These are just a few of the names who illumine the two days' program of Rotary and who will be on hand for the 900 or more Rotarians and their wives who will assemble in Raleigh on April 3.

LA FOLLETTE IMPROVING  
Washington, March 31.—Senator La Follette, reported ill with pneumonia Sunday, continued to improve. It was announced this morning.

COTTON MARKET  
New York, March 31.—Spot cotton closed steady this afternoon, advancing 90 points. Middling 28.60. Futures closed at the following levels: May 28.43; July 27.35; October 24.55; December 24.20; January 23.86.  
New York, March 31.—Cotton futures opened this morning at the following levels: May 27.85; July 26.80; October 24.20; December 23.85; January 23.60.

## TAM C. BOWIE OUT LIEUT.-GOVERNOR

Winston Salem, March 31.—Tam C. Bowie of Ashe County has announced his candidacy for Lieutenant Governor of North Carolina on the Democratic ticket. It was announced here today.

## Progressive Firm Is Building New Home

Auto Supply & Vulcanizing Co., Will Have Brick Plant On Love Property

Foundation work is under way on the new brick building of the Auto Supply & Vulcanizing Company which is being erected on the Love lot on Polindexter street, just back of Mitchell's Department store.

This new structure is to be a one-story brick building 97 by 100 feet and will cost in the neighborhood of \$15,000, according to W. S. Riggs member of the firm.

The Auto Supply & Vulcanizing Company has outgrown its present home on the Corner of Matthews and Water street. R. K. Forbes and W. S. Riggs went in the vulcanizing business together eight years ago. Later they took on the sale of tires and accessories and about a year ago the firm accepted the agency for Velle cars.

It is estimated that the new building will be ready for occupancy about the first of July. With enlarged quarters the firm will increase its supply of accessories and its sales force. An up-to-date filling station will also be installed and the enlarged quarters will provide better service generally for the automobile owners.

## BENCH WARRANT OUT FOR MEANS

Federal Judge Takes Prompt Action When Notorious Investigator Fails to Show Up for Trial in New York.

New York, March 31.—Federal Judge Garvin today ordered that a bench warrant be issued for the arrest of Gaston Means, former agent for the Department of Justice, who is now under indictment for a conspiracy to violate the Volstead law, and whose trial was to have begun here today when Judge Garvin called the case.

Counsel for Means declared that their client was in Washington and would not be able to appear because he was under a subpoena by the Senate investigating committee. Assistant District Attorney Todd insisted that Means' bail of \$15,000 be forfeited and the warrant issued. The court granted the motion.

Daugherty Investigation Continues.  
Washington, March 31.—The Senate committee investigating the official conduct of Harry Daugherty decided today to continue its inquiry and announced it would hold Gaston Means despite the Federal bench warrant issued against him today.

## NEW TEA ROOM READY FOR OPENING TONIGHT

With musical selections by Miss Catherine Spence and the pupils of Miss Linda DeLon, everything is being put into shape for the opening at the Community Building tonight of the new tea room for the Linden.

Supper will be served from six to nine this evening. A large crowd is expected to visit the Linden on the opening of the new tea room where they will view with pleasure the work of the committees who had charge of changing a dirty gymnasium into a clean and tidy tea room. Visitors at the Linden tonight are asked to use the Martin street entrance of the Community Building.

The Woman's Club is moving into new quarters tonight after outgrowing the rooms under the Elks Club. Through the generosity of the Elks Club the Woman's Club was able to open the Linden and put itself on a good financial basis. Several remarks of appreciation for the courtesies and favors extended by the Elks have been heard on every hand.

## PARENT-TEACHERS MEET ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON

The Parent-Teachers' Association will meet in the Grammar School Tuesday afternoon at 3:30. An excellent program is planned by the sixth grade pupils of Miss Linda DeLon's room. A flag will be presented to the room having the largest percentage of parents present. The program for Tuesday's meeting is as follows: "Romolo March" by the orchestra; a play, "The Old and the New"; a pantomime, "Abide With Me"; and last a musical number, "That Old Gang of Mine," by the orchestra. Much time has been spent on the play and all parents are urged to be present and help cooperate with their children.

## COOLIDGE FORCES SPENDING MONEY

Right Hand Man of Hi Johnson Declares Coolidge Campaign More Lavish Than That of Gen. Wood in 1920

Chicago, March 31.—Charges that "lavishness" in the Coolidge primary campaign in South Dakota than was noted in the Wood and Lowden campaigns in that state in 1920, when the criticism of expenses resulted in a Senate inquiry, were made this morning in a telegram from Senator Peter Norbeck, leader in the Presidential campaign of Hiram Johnson of California.

The telegram also charged that Federal workers were employed in the "elaborate headquarters" of Coolidge managers.

## MORE DATA ON COSTAL HIGHWAY

Determined Effort Being Made by Eastern Cities to Bring Road Through North Carolina by Route 30.

Following is a letter received by Secretary R. C. Job from H. E. Barlow, secretary of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce:

"Eastern North Carolina or that portion on and contingent to North Carolina State Highway Route No. 3 is confronted with a situation that needs your urgent and immediate attention.

"At Savannah, Georgia, April 8th and 9th, will be held a meeting of the South Atlantic Coastal Highway Association and I have been requested by the Board of Directors of the New Bern Chamber of Commerce to ask that you have a delegation attend this meeting without fail because it is the one big thing which can develop our section.

The proposition is as follows: "The South Atlantic Coastal Highway Association was organized some four years ago with its object primarily to connect up the five south Atlantic ports;—that is, Wilmington, Charleston, Savannah, Brunswick and Jacksonville with a highway, and thus bring about a better spirit between these five cities. The demand for an increased length of this project has grown to such tremendous proportions that we are facing a project that has for its northern terminus Bangor, Me., and its southern terminus Key West, Florida.

"The South Atlantic Coastal Highway Association has already received recognition from the government and at the Savannah meeting, plans will be presented for the completion of the highway from one end to the other and perhaps the taking-over of same by the Federal Government as a National Defense Highway in time of war.

"Our main fight will be for this road to be routed by Norfolk, Wilmington, Washington and New Bern to Wilmington instead of having it routed from Richmond, Rocky Mount, Wilson, Goldsboro to Wilmington. The route from Wilmington and beyond has already been located and it is up to us to show by a strong delegation that this road should come by route No. 30 through North Carolina rather than by route No. 40.

"We must have the co-operation of all towns on route No. 30 to pull this across and at the same time have a delegation consisting of the most influential men in these towns.

"New Bern is planning to send a delegation of 5, Trenton, 1, Morehead City 2, Washington 5, and Wilmington naturally will be compelled to remain neutral in this case in view of the fact that both routes No. 30 and No. 40 terminate at Wilmington.

"The Board of County Commissioners and City Aldermen are both financing the cost of sending several delegates to attend this meeting and I think that the counties served by this highway could well afford to do the same.

"It is estimated that all the travel between the North and South will be by this highway and a fair estimate will place the number of travellers at approximately 200,000. You can naturally see what this will mean to your town and to the towns closest to the highway.

"Kindly notify me immediately just what you have done and wire me that you are sending delegates to assist in this tremendous fight. If we win, and we must win, it will mean everything to Eastern North Carolina. This is one project where we should all band ourselves together for the strongest possible fight. I have just received a telephone communication from Norfolk stating that they have a strong delegation there to bring the route by Norfolk."

The foregoing letter will be of particular interest here in view of the meeting called by Secretary Job Tuesday night on the proposition of sending Elizabeth City delegates to the Savannah meeting.