

Democrats Gain Strength By Silence Cautious Cal

Every Day Republican Nominee Postpones Declaring Himself on Klan Issue Fanning Anti-Klan Feeling in New York and Making Votes for Democrats

By DAVID LAWRENCE. Copyright, 1924, By The Advance. New York, Aug. 28.—Governor Al Smith's decision not to be a candidate for a third term may be final so far as his determination is concerned but the sentiment to draft him for the office is still to be reckoned with, not only because of his popularity but because the leaders themselves may have to turn to him again after they have sized up all the men now being mentioned for the place.

What is ultimately done about the New York governorship concerns the national campaign vitally.

Al Smith showed an ability to carry the state under adverse conditions and now with the Klan issue becoming a dominant factor the selection of Smith to make the race in the end may be compelled by political circumstances. There is no man around whom the anti-Klan forces would rally more enthusiastically to squelch the Klan's ambitions than Al Smith.

Tammany at heart wants Al Smith to make the race. Judge O'Leary, who succeeded Charles F. Murphy as leader of Tammany Hall, plainly showed his regret when he announced after conferring with the New York governor that he did not desire to run again. He sincerely does not want to go back to private life and business. To the argument that he would help the Davis first ticket more by running for office again, his answer has been that he can help it more by stumping the Eastern states for the national ticket.

The national managers are neutral on the question. They are not urging any particular course feeling that the situation can be developed of its own accord. If there is a demand for Al Smith so strong as to sweep the state it will be impossible for the New York governor to disregard it and that the drafting of a candidate by the voters under such conditions would give his candidacy a popular momentum sufficient to insure victory.

If Al Smith does not run, the benefit of the New York governor's influence in the neighboring states of New Jersey and Connecticut and Rhode Island will be felt. Clem Shaver, national chairman, feels that the entire East now is fighting ground and that Al Smith campaigning with John W. Davis in the East will mean a great deal to the anti-Klan voters who will take even more seriously the national nomination prominently as the silence of the Klan.

There can be no question that every day that the President says nothing about the Klan issue, the Democrats are making political gains. They contrast silence hereabout as sympathy with the President and the slightest sympathy for the society. The failure of the Democratic platform to name the Klan specifically began to cost many votes. When John W. Davis went further than the platform he recovered lost ground.

The psychology of the Republican voters and negroes is not much different from that of the Democrats of those faiths. They feel themselves discriminated against unjustly and any one who remains silent on the issue is presumed to be angling for Klan support.

Examining the situation in this section, one cannot escape the conclusion that the Democrats are not altogether immune from political selfishness in their policy about the Klan. They know that prejudices can be capitalized politically and they are not hesitating to do so just as the Republicans did in 1920 when they played to the large number of Irish voters on the League of Nations question.

It would not be surprising if the New York state Republican nominees for local reasons came out as strongly against the Klan as have the Democrats. Thus far President Coolidge has been strongly urged by leaders outside of the East to keep out of the whole thing and permit the local tickets to handle the situation as they please. But the Republicans who know the true inwardness of the political situation in the Empire state are not so sure that is sound policy.

If Al Smith runs, he himself will be a challenge to the Klan because he is a Catholic and one of the cardinal principles of the Klan is to oppose any Catholics, Jews or negroes for public office of any kind. It would appear that even if the New York governor is not drafted the naming of a Catholic or a Jew will be urged by anti-Klan groups. Carl Sherman, attorney general of New York state, who is being mentioned for the Democratic nomination, is a Jew. He comes from Western New York where he is popular. Tammany has indicated that if Al Smith does not run, it will not insist on a New Yorker and would not oppose an up-state candidate. On what New York states does with respect to the governorship the outcome of the national campaign in this state will depend to no small extent.

Kept Promise!



It's beginning to look like James E. Ferguson's promise to his dog is going to come true. When Jim was impeached as governor of Texas eight years ago, the dog then only two years old seemed despondent as the rest of the family in leaving the capital at Austin. "Never mind" Ferguson told him "you'll live to see the Ferguson's in the governor's house again." And now Ferguson's wife, Mrs. Margaret E. Ferguson has won the Democratic gubernatorial nomination—and her fight for "Jim's" vindication. And since Texas is a Democratic state her nomination practically means election. Here "Ma" Ferguson is seen with "Jim's" dog.

SEVERAL BOATS BADLY DAMAGED

Powells Point, Aug. 29.—The boat of W. W. Clave of Norfolk, valued at \$5,000, was washed ashore here in the storm of Monday night. Several other boats were washed ashore, including J. T. Talbot's boat valued at \$1,500. St. Clair Lewis's boat, valued at about \$400; E. E. Bennett's crude oil boat, the Commodore, worth about \$3,000.

A crew of men are busy getting these boats back on the water and it will probably be over a week before the larger boats are put back in operation.

News of boats being washed ashore on all landings throughout the county is being received here. All telephone communication has been cut off.

At Point Harbor the garage of Grady Frisco was blown down and window lights were blown out of homes. Corn planted throughout the county after the Irish potato crop is considered a total loss. Considerable harm was done at Powells Point, where the Brock Hotel and the home of L. Parker were damaged.

This is said to be the worst storm to visit this section for the last 30 years. A wind storm here at that time is said to have drowned stock, sunk many boats, and washed homes away.

CANNING FACTORY IS CONTEMPLATED

Negotiations are under way. It is reported, for a factory site on water front property adjoining the warehouse of the firm of R. C. Abbott, forwarding agents.

Report has it that the new enterprise is a canning factory and that George C. Markham, prominent real-estate man, and Alexander Midgett, native of Dare County, have joined hands to establish the enterprise.

PRINCE DUE TODAY

On Board Steamship Berengaria, Aug. 29.—Due to arrive at New York late today on his second visit to the United States en route to a Canadian ranch; the Prince of Wales spent the morning in final preparations for debarking.

COOLIDGE LAUDS FRATERNAL ORDERS

Washington, Aug. 29.—Fraternism as the "strong reliance of ordered government according to public law" was eulogized by President Coolidge in his address today to a delegation representing the National Fraternal Congress here.

KENDALL ON STAND IN HIS OWN DEFENSE

Spottsylvania, Va., Aug. 29.—Taking the stand in his own defense today Charles R. Kendall, charged with the murder of Dr. Robert L. Powell, gave a dramatic statement in which he charged the physician with having conducted himself improperly toward his sisters and with having threatened him.

His counsel has endeavored to build up a defense based on the unwritten law. Kendall was composed on the stand and as he testified he looked from one member of the jury to another. He described a fight in which the physician knocked him down and severely beat him. This occurred Wednesday night before May 17, the day of the shooting, he said.

BEN ARMEL AGAIN IS JAIL PRISONER

Winchester, Va., Aug. 29.—Former Police-man Ben Armel, released in bonds amounting to \$3,000 Wednesday for September court on charges growing out of alleged reckless use of firearms in wounding Miss Mabel Runyon, was a jail prisoner again today, his bondsmen having surrendered him.

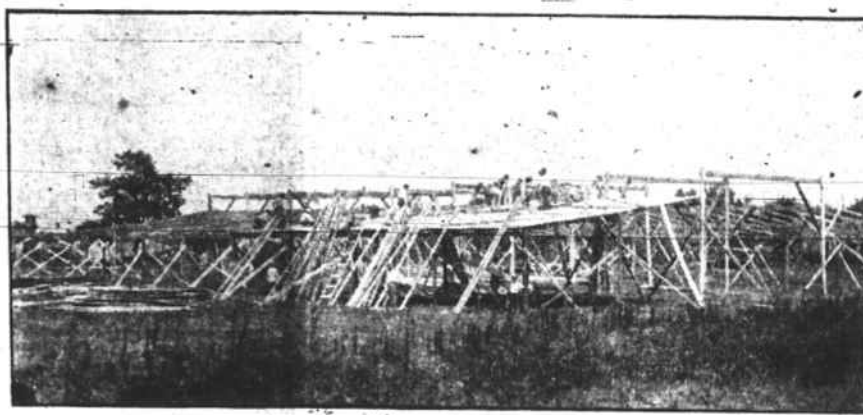
GETTING SCHOOL BUSES READY FOR SESSION

Charlie Lane, Elbert Gregory, City Route Four; Johnnie Brotherton, City Route Four; Carroll Pendleton and Kenneth Pendleton of Weaverville, R. F. D., left Thursday afternoon for Wilson with five Ford truck chassis to have the bodies mounted for school buses by Hakey Brothers for the Pasquotank Board of Education. Two of these trucks are to be used at Weaverville and three of them are to replace the old trucks that have been used at Newland.

DAWES AT LINCOLN

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 29.—Charles W. Dawes, Republican Vice Presidential candidate, arrived here today to deliver his next campaign speech tonight.

RAPIDLY TAKING SHAPE



The framework of the big Ham-Ramsay tabernacle on Poplar street, east of the old Joe Conn mauler residence stood out practically complete Friday afternoon and another building was being nailed on the side next to Poplar street. Photo above shows how things now look.

CARTER GLASS TO TAKE LONG REST

Lynchburg, Va., Aug. 29.—Senator Carter Glass is confined to his bed for an indefinite period with erysipelas and will need a long rest.

Senator Glass will not be able to take an active part in the Democratic National campaign until he has recovered his normal good health after the source of infection responsible for the erysipelas with which he is suffering has been definitely ascertained and removed, his physicians stated today.

The senator, who has been confined to his bed since Tuesday, was better today and expects to keep an appointment in Washington next week.

REICHSTAG ADOPTS THE BANKING BILL

Berlin, Aug. 29.—The Reichstag today adopted by a vote of 295 to 172 the banking bill where by the provisions of the Dawes reparation agreement will be put into effect in Germany.

Had Thrilling Experience When Caught In Storm

And for Fact That He Did Not Suffer Greater Hardship or Even Lose His Life J. Claude Perry Gives Credit to Coast Guard

At least one Elizabeth City traveling salesman was on Pamlico Sound in a small gas boat when last Monday's storm broke, and reached Avon, near Hatteras, early in the night and not many hours before midnight, when the wind reached a velocity of 85 miles an hour. The fact that he reached shelter and safety, instead of having to ride out the storm through the night, is something for which this salesman, J. Claude Perry, 699 Pennsylvania Avenue, is devoutly thankful and for which he gives credit to Providence and the members of Big Kennebec Life Saving Station near Avon.

"Monday night's was the worst storm on Pamlico Sound since the big storm of August, something like 25 years ago," says Mr. Perry. "I have been making down sound trips from Elizabeth City myself for the last 13 years, spending a whole night in some cases on the sound, unable to land, but I never had an experience to match that of last Monday night. Soaked through and through by mountainous waves and rain that struck you with such force that it felt as if it would split the skin, and finally staggering along the beach for a mile through a

TWO OTHER ARRESTS TO FOLLOW FAIR'S ENTIRE CROP SWEETS

Chicago, Aug. 29.—At least two other persons whose arrest shortly will take place are involved in the evidence obtained by the postal inspectors who arrested William Faly, Chicago inspector, on a warrant charging him with complicity in the \$2,000,000 Roundout, Illinois mail robbery. C. H. Carabina, chief inspector, of New York, said here today.

LIETENANTS TO REJOIN COMRADES

On Board the Barry, Pilot, N. S. Aug. 29.—The three lieutenants Wade and Osgen who were compelled to discontinue their flight when their plane was wrecked off Faroe Islands. They plan to start work immediately on conditioning another plane sent from Langley Field, Virginia, in which to rejoin their comrades in the flight from her Boston.

LEGION CONVENTION MEETS AT ASHEVILLE

Raleigh, Aug. 29. Approximately 5,000 members of the American Legion and the auxiliary are expected to attend the 29th annual convention of that organization in Asheville on September 1 and 2, according to information received by Legion officials here from those in charge of hotel arrangements for the visitors in Asheville. This will be twice the size of the originally expected number and by far the largest convention ever held by the Legionnaires of this State, it was said.

FUE STORM PLAYED STRANGE PRANKS

Details of an unusual accident at Nags Head during the storm Monday night have reached this city. It is reported that when the wind overtook the home of Harry Hoesly that he was pinned beneath the cook stove while Mrs. Hoesly escaped with one of the children without injury. She looked for some time for the other child and finally located it between two mattresses. J. D. Winslow's kitchen blew over, it is said. The porch and part of the roof of the cottage of William Thompson blew away, also the railing of the pier belonging to Mrs. Ed Kramer's cottage.

NEW DUST PROOF FILING CABINET

A new dust proof steel filing cabinet has been installed in the office of the clerk of federal court here. The Clerk of Court J. P. Thompson is devoting his spare time to sorting out old papers and fitting them correctly in the new cabinet. The work is tedious as many papers were not numbered. The records go back to 1861 when the court was probably located at Edenton. The old records are in better shape and exhibit better penmanship and accuracy than some of the more recent ones, according to Mr. Thompson.

RETURNS FROM VACATION

Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, pastor of the First Methodist Church, returned Friday morning from his vacation. Dr. Wilson spent the summer weeks with friends and kindfolk in Franklin, Greensboro and Chapel Hill. Mrs. Wilson will remain a few days longer at her old home in Chapel Hill.

COOLIDGE AT CAPITAL

Washington, Aug. 29.—President Coolidge returned to Washington today after two weeks vacation at Plymouth, Vermont.

Woodmen's Meeting Made New Friends For Bestcity

Many Here for First Time Leave Praising Hospitality of Albemarle Metropolis and Promising Return in October for Fair

THANKS BESTCITY IN BEHALF W. O. W.

I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to the good people of Elizabeth City for the wonderful spirit of hospitality, extended the visiting Woodmen while in your city. Elizabeth City is on the map more today than ever before. 121 of these visitors had never visited your fair city before and their praises, did the writer a great deal of good as he has learned to feel a strong attachment, having been here several times before. I wish as District Manager to express my sincere regards and best wishes to the Merchants Association and to Secretary R. C. Job of the Chamber of Commerce for considerations shown these visitors.

You're most sincerely, District Manager W. O. W. A. O. KIFF.

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"On to Asheville" is the slogan set by those arranging for the convention and it appears to have taken well throughout the State, for from every quarter it is reported that great numbers of the members are planning to attend the convention. Many are going by automobile and many more by train.

SEVEN KILLED AT GRADE CROSSING

Toledo, O., Aug. 29.—Seven were killed and one seriously injured when a train and auto met at a grade crossing here yesterday.

REFUSES SUPPORT THE TEXAS WOMAN

Dallas, Tex., Aug. 29. Thomas L. Love, resigned here yesterday as National committee man from Texas after announcing that he will not support Mrs. Ferguson for governor.

NEW BUSINESS BUILDING DONE IN SIXTY DAYS

Contract for the erection of the new building to stand next to the Alhambra Theater, corner McCormick and Matthews street, has been awarded Forbes & Holliman who have been putting in the new front on the McCabe and Grice building. The contract calls for completion of the building, which will offer quarters to six stores, within 60 days.

TOURISTS' CAMP AT OCEAN VIEW

The city of Norfolk has established at the Government Reservation at Ocean View an Automobile Tourists' Camp on the Chesapeake Bay Shore. There are eight hundred tourists camps in this country. They are very largely patronized by the people of the North and West, but in this section their advantages are little known.

This camp at Ocean View is located close to the amusement section and stores. Direction signs from the main road to Ocean View lead to the camp. For an automobile with a party of five, the cost is only fifty cents a day, which includes camp site, sea bathing, shower bath, lavatory facilities, electric lights, wash tubs, police and fire protection.

Fishing boating and various other advantages of Ocean View are convenient. Concrete roads lead to many historic and interesting points in the Hampton Roads section. This camp will remain open through August, September and October, and later if necessary. Full information may be obtained from the Tidewater Automobile Association, 118 W. Flume St., telephone No 25501, and from the Tourists' Information Bureau, corner Main and Graffy streets, telephone No 27465.

Biggest



The biggest candidate in West Virginia this year is Squire Squire Karnes who tips the scales at 400 pounds. Squire Karnes has served the people of Mercer county for eight years and his reputation has grown to be consistent with his size. Now he is a candidate for re-election.

No Idle Moments in Strénuous La Crosse



Football and water polo are the substance and whitey feet members as they in 1924, now a popular sport among the American colleges. Here is a scrimmage in a game between Maryland State University and the Navy.

COTTON MARKET

New York, Aug. 29.—Cotton futures opened today at the following levels: Oct. 23.55, Dec. 24.22, Jan. 24.22, March 24.47, May 24.60. New York, Aug. 29.—At 12:00 p. m. today cotton futures stood at the following levels: Dec. 24.81, Jan. 24.45, Feb. 24.42, March 24.60, New York, Aug. 29.—Spot cotton closed quiet, Middling 27.15, in advance of 20 points. Futures, closing bid: Oct. 25.13, Dec. 24.75, Jan. 24.72, March 24.95, May 25.15.