

McDonald Heard Farmer-Labor Ticket

Rail Heads Now Boost for M'Adoo

Reported Californian Has Leaped Hurdle Between Him and Big Executives.

Good Chance for Ralston

McAdoo boosters in Omaha, who have struck back at the poison telegrams with which friends of Al Smith had flooded Nebraska, took the offensive yesterday and revealed some inside information about the maneuverings of the last few weeks, which they say will bring their candidate safely through the New York convention as the democratic nominee.

The purpose of these maneuverings has been to break down the idea that McAdoo is aggressively hostile to the railroads, that he intends if elected to fight the present railroad management and if possible bring about a re-establishment of federal control of the railroads.

This is the one big hurdle that has stood in McAdoo's way in the minds of the large scale constructive business executives throughout the country. Friends of McAdoo in Omaha, who have been keeping in close touch with the situation, say that this objection has been overcome. As a result of this it is now said that the large scale railroad executives and the financial interests that are associated with and interested in the continuance of private management of railroads are inclined to be for McAdoo, rather than against him.

Gray Is Named

The maneuverings say these Omaha friends of McAdoo have centered around big railroad executives who were associated with McAdoo in the conduct of the United States railroad administration during the war and accounts for the information that has come out of New York in the last few days to the effect that should McAdoo fail to secure the nomination he would throw his support to Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific system; Mr. Gray was assistant director of the railroad administration in charge of finance. Another large scale executive who was associated with McAdoo in the railroad administration is John Barton Payne, who was assistant director in charge of legal matters. While Mr. Payne is not a railroad man, he was at one time head of an influential law firm in Chicago, which handled a great deal of railroad business and he is therefore, familiar with the inner workings of railroad matters, particularly from the standpoint of railroad finance.

In addition to handling the business of a large number of railroads through the law firm with which he (Turn to Page Two, Column Three).

We Have With Us Today

Albert Napoleon La Porte, Representative of Life Extension Institute, Inc., New York.

An automobile is examined and kept in good repair to prolong its usage, so why shouldn't our bodies have just the same care, asks A. N. La Porte of the Life Extension institute, who is interested in helping us live longer. An average of 150,000 examinations a year for 41 insurance companies are made by the institute in order to advise people of the correct care of their health to insure longer life. There is little use in waiting until the human machine has broken down, says La Porte. Expert advice and care should be taken of the body so there would be small chance for a breakdown.

Theory of the institute officials is that, if people would submit themselves periodically for physical examination and then follow out suggestions made by the 8,000 physicians throughout the country employed by the institute, human life would be prolonged an average of 15 years.

The Life Extension institute was founded in 1913 with the co-operation of Harold A. Lev, Prof. Irving Fisher of Yale, former President of Robert W. de Forest, Dr. Eugene Lyman Fisk and other notable men. At the end of five years, a check-up was made to see if the examinations did help to prolong life. The result showed a 23 per cent reduction of mortality on one group of policy holders. Thirty physicians are kept on duty daily at the New York office of the institute. Two million policy holders of the 41 insurance companies have been given the benefit of this health service.

Mr. La Porte is 44 years old and feels like 20 years, he says. He is a native of New York state and served as captain in the world war.

Mr. La Porte is en route to Los Angeles, where he will attend the National Underwriters' convention.

Confidence Voted in Herriot by Deputies



Edouard Herriot

Paris, June 19.—The chamber of deputies tonight voted confidence in Premier Herriot in connection with the declaration of the new government. The vote was 313 to 234.

Binderup Loses Suit After Four Weeks in Court

Judge Woodrugh Upholds Motion for Dismissal Made by Film Company Attorneys.

Federal Judge Woodrugh late Thursday sustained an argument supporting a motion to dismiss the \$750,000 film suit brought by Charles S. Binderup, Minden, Neb., against 15 New York film corporations.

The argument that consumed four days was made after a trial that took up almost four weeks. Binderup broke all records for remaining in the witness box when he testified for two weeks.

Binderup charged that the film corporations had violated the Sherman anti-trust act. He was former operator of a circuit of motion picture houses in southeastern Nebraska and charged he was unable to get any films.

Attorneys for Binderup stated that they would immediately file an appeal with the circuit court.

Judge Woodrugh's opinion was written on 16 pages, legal folio.

No Evidence of Trust.

"There is no evidence that the defendants violated the Sherman anti-trust act," said Woodrugh. "It is evident that some members of the board of trade organized by the film man expressed their belief that Binderup was doing what the so-called 'crooked' was doing."

"Indeed, the evidence shows that more than one person came before the board and charged that such was the case and about noncompetitive conditions in Binderup's territory there was no question whatever with them, no more than there can be with us here on this trial."

"I have no doubt that Binderup had such secret and special arrangements with distributors, not unlawful in themselves, but practically making his territory a closed one."

"All the defendants did, by their conduct, was to bring about an end to this condition and to open this territory to competition, and by so doing were in their rights."

Woodrugh further in his opinion declared that he was unable to figure out any basis upon which an estimation of damage could be made.

To Be Appealed.

Binderup, although disappointed with the decision, stated he would seek an appeal.

Dan Van Deusen, associated with Irving Baxter, Norris Brown and Attorney Vandenberg of Minden in the case, stated that "It is proper that my comments should be made in a higher court upon an appeal. The fight against the defendants with unlimited means at their disposal has been a drain upon the resources of my client and this only may prevent an appeal."

"As a citizen I am impressed with the helplessness of a single individual in seeking relief from the evils at which the Sherman anti-trust act are directed. It is hard to keep one's faith unshaken. Apparently a decision in the supreme court of the United States is not as persuasive as I had supposed. I am confident the evidence convicts the defendants."

OUTSTANDING WAR HERO IN OMAHA

Sgt. Samuel Woodfill, chosen by General Pershing as the outstanding hero of the world war, arrived in Omaha with Mrs. Woodfill shortly before noon Thursday with the Cincinnati delegation of Disabled Veterans.

Sergeant Woodfill proved to be a stalwart, but modest hero. He was dressed in his army uniform. His wife, tall and lithe, cast many admiring glances at her hero-husband as he was being interviewed.

Two Killed, Three Injured When Train Strikes Auto

Sacramento, Cal., June 19.—George H. Smith and his daughter, Esther, 9, were killed, and Mrs. Smith and another daughter probably fatally injured when a Southern Pacific train struck an automobile near Dixon today. Another daughter also was hurt.

State Solons Balk at Gas; Arrested

Rhode Island Senators Refuse to Return After Chamber Flooded With Poison Fumes—Detained.

Legislature Recesses

Providence, R. I., June 19.—As a result of the loss of poisonous fumes in the state senate chamber, the republican members, who constitute a majority, today refused to attend the senate session and were arrested on a warrant obtained by Lieutenant Governor Felix A. Toupin, democratic president of the senate.

Senator Arthur A. Sherman, republican floor leader, was in a hospital suffering from the effects of the gas and High Sheriff Jonathan Andrews refused to force the 18 other republicans to enter the senate chamber. The large wall of gauze soaked in a liquid, thought to contain chlorine, was found wrapped in newspapers in curtains behind the rostrum after the fumes had spread through the chamber.

The persons nearest the parcel chamber and Mr. Toupin and other democrats, but with one exception the only senators who complained of the effects of the gas were republicans. Mr. Toupin declared that he was "in first rate shape" and other democrats asserted that the republicans were "bluffing" as to their condition so as to absent themselves from the chamber and hold up the senate proceedings.

Governor William S. Flynn declared that "an attempt has been made to poison the lieutenant governor." His lieutenants joined with the local police in an investigation to discover who had placed impromptu "bomb," Sheriff Andrews, in support of his refusal to compel attendance by the republican, produced a certificate signed by Dr. Herbert E. Harris stating that the senators he had examined were unfit for duty. Mr. Toupin then obtained a warrant for their arrest and the republicans were escorted from the building under police guard.

The lieutenant governor declared a recess and a meeting of democrats was held in the governor's office to discuss legal steps to meet the sheriff's refusal.

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The burial will be at the Springwell cemetery. No relatives have been located. Miss Carstensen came to this country from Denmark where she was born.

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Tales of Sinclair Oil Contract Linked With Matteotti Slaying

Graft and Gambling Rumored to Have Played Important Part in Kidnaping of Italian Deputy Which Almost Caused Downfall of Mussolini Government.

By HAYDEN TALBOT, Universal Service Staff Correspondent.

London, June 19.—Mysterious rumors sifting through the Italian censorship continue to link up the kidnaping and slaying of the socialist deputy Matteotti stories of graft in oil and gambling which, it is now asserted, had an important part in the murder which almost caused the downfall of the Mussolini government.

In London at this moment is a prominent Italian, one of Premier Mussolini's closest confidants and a member of the original fascist. From this source, Universal Service is able to outline the facts concerning the oil contract made a month ago between the Italian government and Harry Sinclair, American oil magnate. Permission to publish the story is conditioned on keeping the name of my informant a secret.

Here is the oil story as told by this authority:

Two Exceptions.

"When Premier Mussolini compelled the chamber of deputies to accept without amendment several hundred decrees which he himself had drafted, he carefully made two exceptions. Legislation regarding oil concessions and gambling, the premier told the deputies, must be settled by them, as he had an open mind as far as these two matters were concerned.

"Therefore, it was the entire parliament which finally decided to let Sinclair have two concessions—one in Sicily and the other in northern Italy. On the face of it, the contract seems absurd from Sinclair's standpoint, as it is for a very limited time and becomes void unless Sinclair does an almost impossible amount of development work.

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Nebraskans Walk Out of Convention

William Bouck Nominated for Vice President—Effort to Present La Follette's Name Foketed.

Red Planks in Platform

By Associated Press. St. Paul, Minn., June 19.—W. J. Taylor of Nebraska and about 20 farmer delegates walked out of the national farmer-labor convention late today. They left unobtrusively. Six delegates from that state remained. Taylor said five of them were communists.

By CHARLES N. WHEELER, Universal Service Staff Correspondent.

St. Paul, Minn., June 19.—Duncan McDonald of Springfield, Ill., former head of the Illinois Mine Workers' union, was unanimously nominated for president on the farmer-labor party ticket tonight. William Bouck of Sedro-Wooley, state of Washington, was unanimously nominated for vice president.

McDonald's nomination was made unanimous after William Z. Foster stated to the convention that the party would not consider Senator La Follette unless he would first subscribe to both the platform and the purposes of this convention and would agree to run as the candidate of the "farmer-labor" party.

Alexander Howat, the Kansas miner, placed his nomination, and Alice Lorraine Daley of South Dakota, seconded the nomination.

La Follette Proposed.

The convention was about to name him by acclamation when P. A. Peterson, a farmer delegate from Minnesota, held up the program 10 minutes while he insisted on presenting La Follette's name.

It was only after William Mahoney explained for the sixth time to the convention that La Follette did not desire a nomination at the hands of the convention that Peterson finally withdrew La Follette's and McDonald was named unanimously.

Bouck, the vice president nominee, represented the western farmers' federation. The nominating speech was made by John C. Kennedy, former socialist alderman of Chicago. Bouck deserted the Illinois farmer-labor forces at last week's Central Hall conference and went over to the Foster-Ruttenberg communist faction, which seized control of that meeting.

McDonald to Stick.

While the communist leaders explained that the new national committee was authorized to withdraw McDonald later if in their judgment another man should be placed at the head of the ticket, the opinion of the three leading communists in the convention was that McDonald would be retained on the ticket and that they would go to bat with him, regardless of what the Cleveland convention does. Joe Manley said McDonald would stick to the finish.

McDonald will make the race on a platform that embodies many of the so-called soviet planks, principally one calling for the nationalization of nearly all industries as well as the farm lands of the country.

SMUTS DEFEATED BY 22 MAJORITY

By Associated Press. Capetown, Union of South Africa, June 19.—With 19 districts still to be heard from, returns from the general elections in the Union of South Africa show a majority of 22 for the nationalist-labor coalition against the government of General Smuts. The formation of a ministry under General J. M. B. Hertzog, the nationalist leader, is regarded as a certainty.

The districts reporting give the nationalists 55 seats, the South African party (Smuts), 51; Labor, 18, and independents, one. Minister of Finance Burton was defeated in the Ladysmith division.

3 DEAD, MANY HURT IN WRECK

Atlanta, Ga., June 19.—Three men are known to have been killed and probably many others injured in a collision between passenger train No. 3 and a freight on the N. C. & St. L. railroad early today near Adairsville, Ga., according to reports here.

The dead are: Engineer H. G. Robinson of Kennesaw, engineer on the freight; A. L. Lockbridge, Dalton, Ga., fireman on the freight; and Paisley Tomlinson, Adairsville, mechanic.

Needlework Exhibition.

An exhibition of needlework done by the telephone girls at the Walnut exchange is being held this week at the exchange. The work has been done by the girls during relief hours.

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