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HASKELL DROPS FROM PLACE

Treasurer of Democratic National Committee Hands in Resignation.

MIGHT EMBARRASS THE PARTY

Fears Charges Against Him Might Cloud Real Issues—No Surprise at New York Headquarters.

CHICAGO, Sept. 26.—Governor Charles N. Haskell resigned last night as treasurer of the democratic national committee. His resignation was announced by himself three hours after his arrival in Chicago from Guthrie, Okl., and after he had conferred with officials of the democratic national headquarters here.

Wall street brokers to make a personal fight against me, notwithstanding the president in his answer to Mr. Bryan, abandoned his charge about Ohio Standard Oil cases, yet by all the means at the command of the government and the millions of Hearst and his Wall street allies, they persist in vicious, unwarranted and untruthful attacks on me. Personally I welcome their attacks and shall meet it with all the vigor at my command. I shall treat them all as private citizens and subject to the penalties of the law which they merit.

"In this I know I shall have the aid of my neighbors at home for all proper purposes; but my time must be free from other demands here. Again my heart is full of hope for the election of Bryan and Kern. Honest government and rule by the people is the stake. Important beyond the polls in the last generation is the pending contest. I would not for one moment consider remaining in any way connected with the committee, therefore, I hereby tender my resignation as treasurer of the democratic national committee, that not the slightest contest of my own could in any way be used by the president to cloud the sky and shield our opponents from discussing the real issues and laying bare the republican duplicity to the people. Sincerely yours, "C. N. HASKELL."

Haskell Answers Questions. When Mr. Haskell arrived in Chicago at 6 o'clock tonight he declared he had not then resigned and that Mr. Bryan had not asked him to resign. Speaking to a crowd of reporters, he said: "If you have any questions to ask, put them on paper."

He then went from the station to the democratic headquarters at the Auditorium annex. When a list of questions was handed him he retired to his room, saying he would give out the answers later. In his room he was closeted for a long time with National committeeman Martin J. Wade of Iowa and Josephus Daniels, chairman of the democratic press committee. It was midnight when Mr. Haskell re-

appeared from the room. He had in his hands a written resignation addressed to National Chairman Norman E. Mack and the answers to the questions which had been given him.

"I have made my answers," he said. "They will explain themselves." After giving an affirmative reply to the question whether he had resigned, but denying that Mr. Bryan had asked for the resignation, the questions and answers he read were as follows: "Do you know whether Mr. Bryan knew of the charges made against you by Mr. Hearst before you were appointed treasurer?" "I do not see how he could have."

Might Embarrass Bryan. "Do you think your further connection with the campaign, regardless of the truth or falsity of the charges, would tend to embarrass Mr. Bryan or injure his chances?" "It might. At any rate I would not be a good citizen if I risked any embarrassment in the fight of the honest people against the special interests."

"Do you intend to reply to President Roosevelt?" "I have not done so yet." "Do you intend to renew your demand for an investigation of the charges?" "How can I? Roosevelt admits that he did not let the truth."

More Denials of Charges. In regard to a series of questions as to his relations to the Citizens' alliance, said to have been organized at Muskogee, Okl., to fight the local labor union, Mr. Haskell denied that the alliance was ever organized.

In reply to questions concerning the Standard Oil company, he repeated his former denials of ever having had anything to do with that company. Mr. Bryan is due to arrive in Chicago at 6:47 a. m. tomorrow. Whether he and Mr. Haskell will meet was not officially stated at democratic headquarters. Mr. Bryan is scheduled to remain here for only two

NO SURPRISE AT NEW YORK

NEW YORK, Sept. 25.—The news of the resignation from the office of treasurer of the democratic national committee of Governor Haskell was received at democratic national headquarters here tonight through the Associated Press. The announcement occasioned no surprise, as such an outcome had been expected. Chairman Mack let it be known that he would have nothing to say on the subject tonight. None of the others at headquarters had any comment to make for publication.

HYMENEAL

Petrie-Wilcox. HARLAN, Ia., Sept. 25.—(Special.)—Miss Hattie Petrie of Omaha and Chester Wilcox of Bemidji, Minn., were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Petrie, Monday evening. Dr. William Garst, assisted by Rev. Mr. Gardner, performed the ceremony. Miss Fay Lampan played the wedding march. The bride and groom were unattended. Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox will make their home near Bemidji, Minn. Those present from out of town were Messrs. Joe and Fred Wilcox of Tennant, Ia.; Misses Louise and Alma Wilcox, Mrs. N. J. Swender and son of Harlan, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Wilcox and Tilden, Neb., brothers and sisters of the groom.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES

The boys' gymnasium classes started this week with a large enrollment. E. J. Simonds, state student secretary, and R. L. McMillan, a graduate of Diano college, has been added to the state secretary's force. J. P. Bailey went to Columbus, Friday, to make further arrangements for opening the new building. Dr. Frank T. House, pastor of the First Congregational church, will address the men's meeting Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The conference of the Nebraska employed officers will be held September 29 and October 1, in the association auditorium here.

The Omaha association is preparing to have a lunch room on the second floor in the auditorium, to accommodate Ak-Sar-Ben visitors.

Robert Pearson of Newman Grove, a state member, stopped in Omaha, Thursday, on his way to attend the State Bankers' convention.

J. P. Bailey, state secretary, went to Blair last Tuesday where, at a meeting of the lobby where visitors may secure information as to time of arrival and departure of trains, location of hotels and general information about the city.

Dr. W. O. Henry, M. C. Steele, E. C. Babcock, George G. Wallace, F. H. Chickering, W. D. Curtis, B. C. Wade, E. J. Simonds, George F. Gilmore and J. P. Bailey went to Fremont last Thursday to attend the semi-annual meeting of the state committee. A banquet was given the state board by the Fremont directors.

A Man of Destiny. Leslie's Weekly. The fact that Roosevelt's successor is to come from the War department will give Taft's recent post new attractions for ambitious men hereafter. We have seen many precedents broken in recent years. Roosevelt broke the most persistent of all of them—that which decreed that a vice president who goes to the higher office by death can never get it by election. He smashed that precedent so conspicuously in 1904 that it will be assumed to say anything for itself hereafter. It looks very much as if this moment as if Taft also is a man of destiny.

FUND TO FINISH AUDITORIUM

Enough Money with Cudahy Five Hundred to Complete Building.

START IN RIGHT AFTER TAFT DAY

Pure Food Show Early in November Will Find the Large Structure Done, if Present Plans Carry.

Immediately after the Taft meeting at the Auditorium next Thursday night the general contractor will put a large force of men to work on the big structure and force it to a speedy completion. The cornice men are already at work, but the general contractor and the plasterers have been holding back because of the Taft meeting.

The directors are now confident they will have sufficient funds for the completion of the building, according to the original plans and specifications. When the campaign for funds was recently made for the completion of the building it was estimated that enough money was raised for everything except the pillars.

The Cudahy Packing company has taken \$200 worth of bonds for the completion of the Auditorium and it is now thought some of the other packers also will come in, which insure enough money to finish with. The date of the Pure Food show this year is November 4, and it will be held at the Auditorium for ten days. Manager Gillan expects to have the building completed by that time. Every indication now points to the most successful show ever given in Omaha. This is because of the added interest of some of the larger business concerns, and especially the packing houses,

which have never before taken any part in the pure food show. This year four of the large South Omaha packing houses have already signified their intention of exhibiting and have asked for large exhibit spaces. Four of the big local wholesale grocery houses have also asked for space already.

Manager Gillan has just returned from Chicago, where he engaged some vaudeville acts for the show. It is the intention of the management to make the show entertaining as well as instructive.

One potent factor which will assist Manager Gillan in securing exhibitors for the Pure Food show is the fact that he will use the uniform booths of the electrical show. This will save the exhibitors the expense of erecting booths and, besides, will make the show much more uniform and attractive.

THE MAN WITH THE PUNCH.

He Who Has Done Things Without Posing for Applause.

William H. Taft, when the record is made up, will probably stand out as one of the great men of American politics. One reason for this prophecy is that he does not do all his good work on the top of a house.

Not a demonstrative fighter, Mr. Taft is one of those who is always "there with the punch" at the critical moment. About the time of the national conventions, it will be recalled, Mr. Bryan wired Mr. Taft in great heat, calling upon him, as the leading candidate of his party for the nomination, to make an agreement for publicity in campaign contributions. Thereupon Mr. Taft wired back to Mr. Bryan a copy of a letter he had written Senator Burrows in April, strongly endorsing a publicity bill. Mr. Bryan's evident hope was that Mr. Taft was unprepared for his appeal, and that he would be able to say,

"See the great reform republican! He had done nothing or thought nothing about publicity until I stirred him up."

Now that the Foraker imbroglio has come to a head, which eliminates the Ohio senator from consideration, the democrats have been congratulating themselves because they thought Mr. Taft was caught in a mess. But again the letter turns up. More than a year ago, when there was nothing against Senator Foraker except his desertion of the administration upon certain measures, and when Senator Foraker was still strong in Ohio, Mr. Taft refused to consider a joint endorsement of himself for the presidency and Foraker for the senatorship. He could not be joined with Senator Foraker. It was a matter of principle with him, dearer than the hope of the presidency, to stand by the policies of the administration and to decline a compromise with the enemies of those policies. "The punch" is in that letter which now clears Mr. Taft of any taint of Forakerism.

These incidents show clearer than could much eulogy Mr. Taft's fitness for the presidency. The things he does are done from conscientious motives and done promptly, and are not to be undone for the exigencies of a campaign. The American people must warm toward a character like that, especially when it is coupled with a fine and generous disposition which debars him from a bullying attitude toward his subordinates or inferiors.

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