

TOWNSEND BACKS THE STATEMENT MADE BY HUGHES

Senator Takes Issue With Redfield, Asserting That Durand Was Removed and for Political Reasons.

VACANCY WAS DESIRED

Believes Country Should Know Facts of Inefficient Man Going Into Place.

UNFAIR TELEGRAMS SENT

Washington, Aug. 10.—Senator Townsend, republican, of the census committee, made a statement in the senate today supporting the declarations of Charles E. Hughes that E. Dana Durand, former director of the census, was removed from office to make a vacancy for political reasons and taking issue with Secretary Redfield's rejoinder that Mr. Durand retired voluntarily.

"The secretary of commerce says Mr. Durand resigned," said Senator Townsend. "That is not correct. The fact is that Secretary Redfield called on Durand in April and stated that he desired his position. Durand replied that much important work was in progress and that he ought to be allowed to finish it. The next day Mr. Harris' (William J. Harris) nomination was sent to the senate, and the next day it was announced that Mr. Durand had resigned."

Senator Townsend said he had explained the facts to the census committee and delayed the confirmation of Harris.

Well To Know.
"I believe it is well for the country to know the facts," continued Senator Townsend. "Mr. Durand was practically removed. He resigned under pressure after he had stated he ought to remain until the census reports were completed. The telegrams sent out by Secretary Redfield absolutely were unfavorable to the facts. Mr. Harris was appointed for political reasons and his name sent in after Mr. Durand was forced out of office."

Senator Smith, democrat, of Georgia, said he "desired to congratulate the other side in that they have at last found an issue. My criticisms of the president and secretary of commerce in this matter," Senator Smith continued, "is that they did not remove Mr. Durand frankly and openly from office. He was inefficient as an executive officer. There was a waste of money, duplication of work and carelessness of management in his administration. He was a man utterly without executive capacity of the kind needed in a director of the census."

Durand Not Issue.
Senators Stone and Hardwick retorted that the republicans seemed pleased at having found an issue. Mr. Harris is now a member of the Federal Trade commission.

Senator Penrose said that Durand was not the issue.

"The issue here," he said, "is that the secretary of commerce deliberately and publicly stated that Durand was not removed, and it later turns out that he was removed and the secretary of commerce, to put it mildly, is detected in deliberately misrepresenting the facts to the American people. I am not a fanatical civil service reformer myself, but I abhor the hypocrisy which characterizes this whole transaction."

Ask Business Stop In Honor of Thurston

Business men and friends of the late Senator Thurston have requested the acting mayor to issue a proclamation asking that business be suspended in Omaha for five minutes, from 2 o'clock until 2:05, during the funeral services, this afternoon.

Acting Mayor Butler has made the request of the public. The funeral services will be conducted at Masonic temple, Sixteenth and Capital avenue, at 2 o'clock, under direction of St. John's lodge, with Worshipful Master Eugene Atkins officiating.

The Weather

Nebraska—Fair and Warmer.
Temperatures at Omaha Yesterday

WHOLE VILLAGES ARE SWEEPED AWAY

Total Loss of Life in Cabin Creek Valley Flood Cannot Yet Be Estimated.

HUNDREDS ARE DESTITUTE
Charleston, W. Va., Aug. 10.—Twenty-three bodies have been recovered from the debris carried down by the flood which swept the Cabin Creek valley near here yesterday. Rescue parties have penetrated some distance above Cabin Creek Junction and meager reports brought back by couriers and from the railroads indicate that the loss of life has been heavy, although no accurate estimate can be made. Persons driven from their homes to the mountain are returning to find whole villages of mining cabins swept away, while distress and suffering is seen on every hand.

Two Companies of Soldiers.
Two companies of the Second West Virginia infantry left Camp Kanawha by trolley this morning and were taken to Cabin Creek Junction with orders to penetrate the valley and extend relief to all who needed it. They carried provisions and tents. A special train was being made up here on the Chesapeake & Ohio railroad, and will go as far as the hastily repaired tracks will permit. From that point numbers of men provided with provisions will seek out the spots where destitution is most pronounced. It is expected that they will be able to go to the entire length of the valley and penetrate adjoining valleys, also hard hit, before tomorrow.

Looters Are Arrested.
Reports reached here today from United States Commissioner Howard C. Smith, who led a relief party for a number of mining companies last night, that looting had commenced and a number of arrests had been made and some property recovered. The militia has been ordered to guard property and restore order, leaving the greater part of the relief work to many parties which will be in the valley before afternoon.

So great has been the loss that coal companies with mines in the valley estimate that many thousands of dollars will be needed to feed and clothe the helpless miners and their families, as scores of them have lost all their possessions.

More than 2,000 residents of the valley are on the hill tops, the majority of them without sufficient clothing, and all of them in danger of starvation.

Seventy-Five Dead in One Town.
Huntington, W. Va., Aug. 10.—A report reached here this morning to the effect that Jarolds Valley, a town of 500 inhabitants in Boone county, at the head of Coal river, was washed away in yesterday's cloud-burst and that seventy-five of its populace had lost their lives.

Master Bakers Ask Embargo on The Wheat Crop

Salt Lake City, Utah, Aug. 10.—The National Association of Master Bakers today elected F. S. McDonald of Memphis, president; Paul J. Stern of Milwaukee, vice president; Fred S. Ferend, St. Louis, treasurer, and E. J. Arnold of Providence, R. I., and E. B. Strain, Battle Creek, Mich., members of the executive committee. The next convention city will be Chicago. The constitution was amended so that the retiring president becomes, for two years following, a member of the executive committee.

A resolution was adopted and sent to President Wilson and to congress asking that an embargo be placed on the present wheat crop, in order to prevent any further advance in the market price of wheat.

Fewer Deaths from Plague in New York

New York, Aug. 10.—Fewer deaths, but little change in the development of the epidemic of infantile paralysis was noted in today's bulletin of the health department. During the twenty-four hours preceding 10 a. m. today, the plague killed thirty-eight children and 175 new cases were reported in the greater city. Yesterday's deaths numbered fifty-seven, and new cases 183.

Roosevelt to Make First Talk For Hughes at Lewiston, Me.

New York, Aug. 10.—Colonel Roosevelt will make his first campaign speech in behalf of the candidacy of Justice Hughes, in Lewiston, Me., on August 31. This was announced today after a conference between John McGrath, Colonel Roosevelt's secretary, and Frank J. Ham, republican state chairman of Maine.

Colonel Roosevelt's speech will deal only with national issues, it was announced, with the promise that it will be one of the strongest arguments in the fight being waged between republicans and democrats for victory in Maine.

Other men of note who will participate in the Maine campaign are Governor Frank B. Willis of Ohio, Senator William F. Borah, Henry Cabot Lodge and Lawrence Y. Sherman and Congressman Nicholas Longworth.

Twelve Thousand on Pension Roll in State of Nebraska

Washington, D. C., Aug. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—The number of pensioners on the rolls of the pension office in the following states on July 1, and amount paid, was as follows:

HUGHES INVADERS BROAD PRAIRIES OF THE DAKOTAS

Republican Nominations for Two Speeches in Dakota and Nebraska.

FOR PROTECTIVE TARIFF
Insists Upon Protection for the Farmer as Well as the Man in Business.

HE IS FOR PREPAREDNESS

Grand Forks, N. D., Aug. 10.—Charles E. Hughes, republican presidential nominee, told an audience of farmers in the Auditorium here today that he believed in a protective tariff that would protect them as well as the men in the factories.

"I believe in a protective tariff," Mr. Hughes said. "I believe in protection without abuse. I think that is possible. Our opponents, who for generations have told us that it was contrary to the constitution of the United States to have duties except for the purpose of revenues, are now telling us that there is an economic revolution and that perhaps we can have a duty on dye stuffs and a nonpartisan commission. But I believe in trusting those who really accept the doctrine of protection with its enforcement. And I believe in protection for the farmers just as I believe in protection for the men in the factories."

Mr. Hughes repeated his views on preparedness, saying that he stood for reasonable preparedness. "Weakness breeds insults and insults breed war," he said. "I stand for the protection of American rights. Firm insistence upon American rights, backed by reasonable preparedness, means peace and security." Crisp weather, so cold at overcoats were necessary, greeted the nominee here.

Shortly before noon Mr. Hughes left for Fargo, N. D., where he will address a meeting tonight.

Business Houses At Oxford Badly Damaged by Storm

Oxford, Neb., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—The six weeks' drought was broken here last evening about 10 o'clock by a heavy rain amounting to 2.16. The rain was accompanied by a high wind which did considerable damage. The brick block occupied by the Security bank, Nielsen & Mackprang, hardware; N. T. Heaton, and the opera house, was unroofed and the west end blown in. Peter Nielsen was buried in debris and severely hurt. The Burlington round house was razed to the ground. Trees, chimneys and out buildings were blown down all over town. Local passenger No. 5 was standing in the yards and two empty box cars were blown head on into it. Wires are down so it is impossible to learn the extent of the storm.

Mysterious Death at Chicago May be Due To Suicide Pact

Chicago, Aug. 10.—Because of the continued illness of Mrs. Marie Davis, the inquest on the death of her husband, Morse Davis, was postponed today for a week, after several witnesses had testified concerning the finding of his body in his apartment in a Michigan avenue building yesterday. Mrs. Davis told the police yesterday that she and her husband had taken poison by mistake for salts, but detectives hint that financial reverses might have led the couple, who came here from Vancouver, B. C., to enter into a suicide pact.

John Russell, a detective from the South Clark street station, testified that his investigations so far led him to believe that Davis was temporarily embarrassed in finances. Dr. P. B. Welsh, the hotel physician, testified that he did not believe the Davises had entered a suicide pact.

Morse Davis, son of the dead man, is on his way here from Vancouver, according to the police.

Hold Man at Bay on Island Near Valley; May Be Bank Bandit

A telephone message received at central police station early last night from Valley, Neb., says that a white man answering the description of the Florence bank robber, has been flushed from the cover of a cornfield near that place and chased across the Platte river onto an island, which is now surrounded by a posse.

McBride Resigns Presidency Of Iowa State University

Iowa City, Ia., Aug. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—Thomas Houston McBride resigned today as president of the State university of Iowa because of ill health and Dean Walter A. Jessup of the College of Education was elected in his place by the State Board of Education the change to be effective September 1.

WITH THE RUSSIANS ON THE EASTERN FRONT — This picture shows batteries of Russian howitzers ready for action on the Galician plains, where the armies of the Czar, have been making steady progress.



RUSSIAN HOWITZERS IN GALICIA

GOOD RAINS WET STATE CORN BELT

Weather Prophet at Washington Sees Let Up of High Temperatures.

TWO INCHES SOME PLACES

WHERE THE RAIN FELL.
Broken Bow... 1.6 Hickman... 1.3
Burchard... 1.2 Holdrege... 1.5
Blue Hill... 2.1 Lyons... 1.8
Beatrice... 1.0 Okmole... 1.8
Central City... 1.0 Omaha... 2.2
Culbertson... 1.2 Oxford... 2.1
Erickson... 1.2 Randolph... 1.8
Edgar... 1.2 Syracuse... 1.8
Fairmont... 1.8 Sargent... 2.0
Fremont... 1.8 Seward... 1.8
Grand Island... 1.2 Tekamah... 1.8
Hartington... 1.2 Table Rock... 1.1
Hastings... .40

Here is real news, sweltering reader, news that will make you take heart once more and decide that life is worth living.

The great heat wave of the last fifty days will end within the next twenty-four hours.

This is the prediction of Prof. C. F. Marvin, chief of the United States weather bureau, Washington, D. C. It came to the local weather bureau by telegraph yesterday.

"The disturbance now passing over the Mississippi valley will move eastward and be followed by a general change to cooler all over the middle plain states and up the Mississippi valley within the next twenty-four to thirty-six hours," said the telegram. "It is probable that this change to cooler weather will terminate the long period of abnormal temperatures over the middle west."

Rain reports received by the Northwestern and Burlington officials indicate a general and beneficial rain from one-half to one inch in the grain belt north of the Platte river, with good rain at Hastings.

The Northwestern reports rain from Long Pine to Omaha and along the Abion line; also as far as Winnet, S. D. Practically all of the grain section north of the Platte was moistened, states an official.

The Lincoln division of the Burlington was visited with local showers ranging up to two inches at Sargent. An inch and a quarter fell at Erickson and an inch at Central City. On the McCook division heavy showers, accompanied by a heavy wind, injured the round house at Oxford and put several telegraph poles out of commission near Arapahoe. There were local showers with varying precipitation along much of the western part of the Kansas-Nebraska line.

Rain Saves Corn Crop

Ravenna, Neb., Aug. 10.—(Special.)—An inch of rain fell during the night, and the farmers believe it is in time to save a very considerable part of the corn crop. It has been exceedingly hot and dry in this vicinity, but the corn stood it remarkably well.

Beaver City, Neb., Aug. 10.—(Special Telegram.)—A rain, .55 of an inch, the first of any consequence since June 22, fell last night.

RAIL UNION HEADS STAND BY DEMANDS

Heads of Brotherhoods at Meeting With Mediators Refuse to Make Concessions.

MR. HANGER IS HOPEFUL

New York, Aug. 10.—The United States board of mediation and conciliation held its first conference today with the representatives of the four railroad brotherhoods of employees in its efforts to prevent, through mediation, a country-wide strike to enforce the employees' demand for an eight-hour basic day and time for a half overtime.

Nothing was officially disclosed as to the success the mediators met, but it was learned on good authority that the brotherhoods had shown no disposition to modify their demands.

"The status is unchanged," was the only comment which A. B. Garretson, head of the Conductors' brotherhood, was willing to make after the conference adjourned.

"We have only scratched the surface," said G. W. W. Hanger, one of the three members of the mediation board, "the situation may be cleared up within twenty-four hours and then negotiations may continue for a week."

The mediators arranged for a second conference with the railroad managers this afternoon and to meet the brotherhood representatives again tomorrow morning.

Union Delegates at Meeting

Today's meeting with the men was held in a down town assembly hall and was attended not only by the chiefs of the four brotherhoods—the employees' official spokesmen—but by the 600 delegates of the unions who are here. It lasted less than one hour. Outsiders were barred.

It was assumed that the mediators, as was the case at the first conference yesterday with the railroad managers, sought to learn from the men how far they were willing to go in making concessions which would bring both sides to common ground as a basis of settlement.

Brotherhoods Stand Firm

The brotherhood chiefs told them, however, it was learned, that they were still firm for their demands as originally presented to the railroads. While expressing their appreciation of the efforts of the mediators, it was said that they informed them that they saw little chance of reaching a satisfactory adjustment.

The mediators, however, it was said, did not contemplate that the men would offer concessions at today's meeting. Most of the meeting was devoted by Mr. Garretson to a detailed explanation of the brotherhoods' demands, upon which he made it clear, it was understood, that they stood firm.

PLANS OF SENATE DEMOS REJECTED

Republican Caucus Insists Majority Take Responsibility for Congress Adjournment.

TEXT OF THE RESOLUTION

Washington, Aug. 10.—Republicans of the senate in conference today declined to accept the legislative program submitted yesterday by the democratic steering committee with a view to adjournment of congress before September 1. Those who were inclined to agree were outvoted by senators demanding action on the immigration bill at this session.

Senate democrats already have determined in caucus that the immigration bill should be made the unfinished business of the senate when congress meets in December. Whether the action of the republicans today will prolong the session beyond September 1 could not be foretold. Democratic leaders said they thought it would make no difference with plans for bringing the session to a close and was taken merely to emphasize the fact that the republicans did all in their power to get a vote on the immigration bill before the national election.

Text of Resolution

After two hours' deliberation on the democratic proposal that no contested legislation be taken up, except the shipping revenue, workmen's compensation and appropriation bills and conference reports, the republican conference adopted a resolution declaring:

"The power to control both legislation and adjournment rests with the democratic majority in congress. The republican senators reserve the right to support or oppose or request action on any legislation now pending and they further urge that the immigration bill shall be taken up, considered and acted on at this session."

The compromise program offered by the democrats yesterday would have eliminated from the legislative program one measure in which progressive senators are interested, the corrupt practices bill, and they are said to have insisted in the conference today that they would be party to no agreement which would prevent them from demanding a vote on that measure. No mention of this bill was made, however, in the conference resolution.

Ministers Call Each Other Falsifiers

Canton, O., Aug. 10.—No action to change the creed of the church was taken here today by the National Doctrinal congress of the Christian church, following a spirited debate on the subject by Rev. S. S. Lippin of Cincinnati and Rev. Charles Morrison of Chicago. The question at stake was whether persons who had received baptism in churches which do not practice immersion should be admitted to the Christian church without that ceremony. Lippin termed the unimmersed "plugged nickels" and "corn thieves," while Morrison asserted that churches which would not receive unimmersed members from other churches were "sinful." They called each other "falsifiers."

Funeral of Mrs. L. G. Doup Will Be Held This Morning

Funeral services for Mrs. Cornelia Bennett Doup, wife of Louis G. Doup, who died suddenly Wednesday, will be held from the residence, 3607 Jackson street, this morning at 10 o'clock. Services at the house will be public, but those at the grave will be private. Burial will be in Forest Lawn cemetery.

Mrs. Harry Cummings, formerly of Omaha, came on from Chicago yesterday for the funeral of Mrs. Doup. Mr. Bennett and Miss Wade also arrived yesterday.

Sues Street Railway Company for Damages

Roza Goldenburg, wife of Ben and the mother of five children, has filed suit against the street railway company, asking \$10,000 and costs for damages resulting from an accident when alighting from a street car at Sixteenth and Chicago streets.

RUSS CONTINUE ADVANCE WEST OF KOROPIEC RIVER

Czar's Soldiers Take Railway Station at Kryptin and Push on to Mouth of Zlota Lipa.

TEUTONS BLOW UP BRIDGES

Russians Also Gain Several Versts Along Baily, Chermosh and Suchava Rivers.

BERLIN REPORTS DIFFER

Petrograd, Aug. 10.—(Via London.)—The capture by the Russians of the railway station at Kryptin, on the Stanislaw-Nadvorna railroad, was announced today.

Pushing westward from the Koropec river, the Russians have reached the Monasterzyka-Niznoff railway, and the mouth of the Zlota Lipa river, northeast of Niznoff. The statement follows: "Our troops, who have occupied the right bank of the Koropec river, in developing their success have reached the Monasterzyka-Niznoff railway, and advanced to the south of the Zlota Lipa river."

"In the region of Tysmenitsa, our brave troops, following hard upon the heels of the retreating enemy, continue their movement to the north and to the west, having occupied in a westerly direction the right bank of the river near Stricy-Nadvornas-koi. On the Nadvorna-Stanislaw line we captured the joint railroad station of Kryptin. All the bridges over the river have been blown up by the enemy."

Russian Attacks Repulsed.
Berlin, Aug. 10.—(Via London.)—Heavy attacks have been made by the Russians at various points along the Stokhod line, in Volhynia, east of Kovel, the war office announced today. All the Russian advances were repulsed with heavy losses, it is declared.

Italians Continue Advance.
Rome, Aug. 10.—(Via London.)—The Italians have pierced the strong Austrian entrenchments northeast of Monte San Michele on the Isonzo front and near the village of San Martino, the war office announced today. They have occupied Boschini. The statement says more than 12,000 Austrians have been captured.

Nebraska Guards Are Given Places in The Regular Army

Brownsville, Tex., Aug. 10.—Drafting of second lieutenants from the National Guard into the regular service, upon orders of General Parker, issued yesterday, was well under way today. Fifty-six lieutenants are affected, including the following:

To the Fourth United States infantry at Brownsville: Second Lieutenants Harold M. Putnam, First Iowa; Neil B. Soderholm, Thomas B. Munson, William B. Rothermal, Preston B. Waterbury, Ralph S. Geiger, Walter B. Thompson, all of the Second Iowa; Martin L. Jensen, Fourth Nebraska; Lester B. Shapland, Fourth Nebraska.

To Twenty-sixth United States infantry, Harlingen: Eugene C. Kalkman, Third Minnesota; Aubrey S. Kenworthy, Floyd E. Eller, Bernard A. Norworthy, and Ernest J. Meyer, all of Fifth Nebraska.

To Thirty-sixth infantry, Brownsville: Arthur W. Rogers, Harvey Coacher, Robert Tackbarrey, Victor Woodruff, Vincent Knewell, James P. Murphy, Harold W. Roach, all in Fourth South Dakota, and Leon Dominick, First North Dakota.

To United States Third cavalry, El Paso: J. Alphonse Killian, Fourth Nebraska; Fay A. Ross, Fourth North Dakota.

Martin L. Jensen, second lieutenant Company A, Fourth regiment, resides at 404 North Twenty-fourth street, Omaha. Aubrey S. Kenworthy of Omaha is sergeant-major on the staff of the Fifth Nebraska regiment. Second Lieutenant Lester Shapland of York is a member of Company N, Fourth regiment; Second Lieutenant Floyd E. Eller is a member of Company G, from Hastings, and Second Lieutenant Bernard A. Norworthy is a member of Company D of Gothenberg; Second Lieutenant J. Alphonse Killian of Blair is a member of F, Fourth Nebraska.

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