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WILSON BACKERS SQUELCH BRYAN

ELVAD FIRMS IN HANDS OF RECEIVERS

Chicago Companies Organized By Former Omaha Man, Now In Los Angeles, Facing Serious Financial Difficulties.

INTERLOCKING DEALS FEATURE OF BUSINESS

Liabilities of Two Concerns Involved $130,000, Assets $4,500—Attorney Davis Remains to Face Music.

Echoes of the financial difficulties of Peter Elvad during his career in Omaha, are being heard in Chicago in connection with a receivership which has been appointed for the Continental Engineering Construction company and the Fidelity Securities company.

Charles E. Davis, who was an attorney with Elvad during the latter's connection with the Bankers' Realty Investment company in this city, was president of both of the Chicago companies at the time one of the directors forced a receivership. Davis is still in Chicago, facing the music. Elvad left Chicago last month and is now in Los Angeles.

According to reports from Chicago, operations of the two windy city enterprises were similar to those of the Bankers' Realty Investment and North American Hotel companies of Omaha.

Named as Receivers.

The Great Lakes Trust company, Chicago, was appointed to serve as receiver for the Continental and Securities companies which have suspended operations. Assets are said to amount to $4,500 and liabilities are $130,000.

Mr. Elvad left Omaha a year ago last month to engage in business in Chicago. A year previous to his departure he was instrumental in the organization of the Continental Construction company, placing a man named Simpson in charge as president. When Elvad reached Chicago he displaced Simpson and Charles Davis was named as president.

Stenographer is Secretary.

Davis was a member of a skeleton organization which Elvad took with him from Omaha. Others were William and Charles Johnson, brothers of Mrs. Elvad; Arthur Gross, lawyer; F. W. Fitzpatrick, architect, and Miss Florence Nash, stenographer. Miss Nash was appointed secretary-treasurer of the Continental company soon after she arrived in Chicago. Investigations of the two Chicago companies have thus far disclosed that Elvad was not an officer of either, but that he furnished the brains and Davis fronted as president.

One of the transactions which the receivers are endeavoring to reconcile involves a note given by Davis for $95,000 of stock, of which $23,000 was said to have been disposed of in Nebraska. Some of this stock was exchanged for notes which were held against the Continental company.

Interlocking Transactions.

The Continental and Fidelity companies, which were closely related, carried interlocking transactions. One company promoted bank building companies and the other furnished the plans and usually obtained the contracts. In the case of a new bank building in Havana, Ill., Mr. Davis, as president of the Fidelity company, promoted the financial deal, obtained a building contract in his own name and then sublet the contract to the Continental company.

"When it is all over I don't believe Davis will have a cent left," said a former associate of Elvad in Chicago.

Conducted School Here.

Peter Elvad came to Omaha in 1907 or 1908 and for several years conducted an automobile training school. In 1912 he organized the Bankers Realty Co. and was made president. Soon afterward he organized the North American Hotel Co., of which he was a member of the board of directors.

In May, 1919, directors of the Bankers Realty Co. became dissatisfied with Elvad's management and Elvad resigned as president, disposed of his interests in both the realty company and the hotel company and went to Chicago.

Estimates of Wealth.

Local estimates of his wealth while a resident of Omaha vary from $50,000 to $500,000. One man who was closely associated with him in business says he does not believe Elvad was ever worth more than $40,000 or $50,000. Another Omaha business man who knew Elvad equally well says he was worth half a million when he left Omaha.

While here he was married to Miss Sadie Johnson of Kennard, Neb. Mrs. Elvad and their one child are reported to have left Chicago with Elvad and it is believed they are now with him.

For some time before leaving Omaha Elvad occupied a residence in Fairacres, which is one of the finest in the city. "He spent money freely and lived like a prince," one of his former business associates said today

Girl Who Died of Poison Two Days Before Wedding

Exclusive picture secured by The Bee of Frieda Bostelmann, 19-year-old Stoddard girl, who died suddenly of convulsions last week but two days before she was to have been married.

FOUR CLEVELAND FIRMS INDICTED UNDER LEVER ACT

Sharon Company Jointly Named With One of Four Concerns for Alleged Profiteering.

Cleveland, O., June 28.—Four Cleveland firms and one at Sharon, Pa., and individuals connected with them were indicted by the federal grand jury here late Monday charged with profiteering in foodstuffs in violation of Lever act.

Among the firms indicted was the G. S. Willard company, sugar brokers, Cleveland.

The Shenngo Valet Grocery company, Inc., of Sharon, Pa., was jointly indicted with the Malbin Brothers company, Cleveland, commission merchants.

The Willard company is charged with selling 87,000 pounds of beet sugar at 17¾ cents a pound which cost approximately 12½ cents.

The United States supreme court recently denied the Willard company an injunction against the issuance of an indictment under the Lever act pending determination of its constitutionality by the courts.

Coastwise Ship Companies Ask for Rate Increase

Washington, June 29.—Coastwise steamship companies of the Pacific petitioned the commission today for advances in freight rates equivalent to those asked by railroads of the west and south. Western roads are seeking an increase of 24 per cent and southern roads 31 per cent.

The petition presented by the Pacific Steamship company and the San Francisco and Portland Steamship company declares that at existing rates their business is conducted at a loss by reason of unprecedented expenses of operation.

No means of increasing net revenues are available, the petition declares except through an increase of freight rates, as passenger rates are as high as competitive conditions will permit.

Quiet Prevails at Scene Of War Over Religion

Monroe, Mich., June 29.—Quiet prevailed today in the districts surrounding Robideaux corners, near here, and most of the state police sent there last night in anticipation of a renewal of the disorder that resulted in the killing of one man and wounding of another, following a religious controversy, had returned to their headquarters.

No arrests have been made, the authorities being unable thus far to fix responsibility for the shooting.

Select German Agents

Berlin, June 29.—Konstantin Fehrenbach, German chancellor; Foreign Minister Simons and Finance Minister Wirth will be Germany's representatives at the Allied-German conference at Spa according to the Lokal Anzeiger.

OPERATION OF U.S. ROADS AS UNIT IS URGED BY COLVER

Commissioner Predicts Industrial Shutdowns Next Winter if Present Situation Is Not Relieved.

Washington, June 29.—Operation of the railroads of the country "as a unit" as a means of relieving the present transportation difficulties was suggested today by William B. Colver of the federal trade commission in an address before the Washington Ad club.

Mr. Colver predicted that a continuation of the present situation would mean "untold suffering and industrial shutdowns next winter." Hundreds of millions of dollars are tied up now in merchandise in sidetracked cars, he said.

Only one-tenth of the needed coal for next winter's supply has been moved to the head of the lakes, Mr. Colver said, while the industries in New England are actually closing down now for lack of coal. Farmers also are unable to obtain cars to move the residue of last year's wheat crop at a time when the new crop is coming to harvest.

Already, he declared, there are predictions of $25 flour and 25-cent bread. Mr. Colver declared the roads were unable to get coal cars to the mines, with a result that this month's coal production is far below normal and miners are seeing "their families go hungry."

When operated separately, Mr. Colver declared, even the largest railroad cannot operate profitably and at reasonable rates.

Announce Reduction In Price of Collars

Troy, N. Y., June 29.—The price of collars will be reduced from thirty to twenty-five cents each, according to announcement made here by Cluett, Peabody and company, and George P. Ide and company. The change in price is effective immediately.

Two Chicago Papers Boost Price to 3 Cents on Street

Chicago, June 29.—The price of two Chicago newspapers has advanced again.

The Chicago American advanced its street sale price to 3 cents yesterday, and the Chicago Herald-Examiner went up to 3 cents today.

A Real News Policy

The Bee believes in the republican party as an exponent of sound principles and efficient administration of government, but first of all The Bee is a NEWSPAPER.

The Bee published full reports of the republican national convention at Chicago. It is publishing equally full reports of the democratic national convention at San Francisco.

When it comes to NEWS, The Bee knows no favorites.

FIND POISON IN STOMACH OF DEAD GIRL

"I Warn Every Member of This Family Not to Buck Up Against a Love Affair Again," Witness Quotes Father.

JURY IS CONSIDERING TESTIMONY AT INQUEST

Wife and Daughter of Fred Bostlemann Attribute Death Of Frieda to Taking Too Many Headache Tablets.

(By a Staff Correspondent.)

Hebron, Neb., June 29.—(Special.)—"I warn every member of this family not to buck up against a love affair again.

"You can see what this has led to."

Such were the words of Fred Bostelmann of Stoddard, as he stood over the casket containing the dead body of his daughter, Frieda, 19 years old, who had mysteriously died suddenly two days before her proposed marriage, according to the closing testimony of T. J. Geisler, Chester undertaker, at the inquest here today.

With the end of Geisler's testimony the case was given over to the coroner's jury.

Bostelmann is held in jail here in connection with his daughter's death.

Evidence of Poison.

Frieda Bostelmann probably died of poisoning, according to evidence given at the second day of the inquest today.

Report of the chemical analysis of the stomach of the dead girl, made in the laboratory of the University of Nebraska college of medicine in Omaha, received by County Attorney Harvey Hess this morning states that there was no evidence of poison in the lining of the stomach.

Poison in Contents.

However, contents of the stomach, when analyzed, showed evidences of aconitine, deadly poison, and when a portion of the contents were fed to white mice at the laboratory, the mice died within 15 minutes of convulsions similar to those suffered by the Bostelmann girl.

The quantity of the poison present was so small that no definite conclusion could be drawn. Indications point to the presence of aconitine, the report says.

Tension which pervaded the crowded court room at the inquest yesterday was somewhat relaxed today.

Sheriff Hall denied the jail had

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Chicago Judge Holds Women Spiritualists Should Not Be Fined

Chicago, June 29.—Judge Holdom of the appellate court today reversed decision in two cases where women alleged to possess occult powers had been fined by judges of the municipal court.

"Quite lately Sir Oliver Lodge, a scholarly Englishman, spoke to a large audience in Chicago concerning spiritualism and the possibilities of converse with the spirits of those who have passed from this to the unseen world," said the judge, "and there was no thought by the authorities of interfering with or penalizing him."

Twenty Million Pounds of Sugar Brought From Canada

Chicago, June 29.—Twenty million pounds of sugar have passed through the local customs house from Canada during the past few days, and several million pounds more are en route, William H. Clare, collector of the port, announced today.

Ten carloads, containing 60,000 bags, arrived today. The Canadian sugar, which was purchased in Cuba last year and shipped to England, then returned to Canada, is expected to relieve the shortage here.

U. S. Takes No Sides in Nicaraguan Election

Washington, June 29.—The American government has no preference as between the candidates for the presidency of Nicaragua and its sole interest is that the election be "characterized by the utmost fairness and freedom" the people of Nicaragua are informed in a statement which the American legation at Managua has been authorized by the State department to make to the government there.

Two Thousand Turks Slain In Battle With Greeks

London, June 29.—Two thousand Turks have been killed in battle with Greek troops east of Smyrna, according to a communique issued by Greek army headquarters at Smyrna and telegraphed here today. The Turkish losses were particularly severe in the region of Alas-Behr. Greek cavalry inflicted severe casualties on Turkish nationalists' rear guards.

It's a Sad, Sad Tail

DISPOSITION OF KAISER'S MONEY CAUSES CONCERN

Wilhelm's Fortune, Valued at $60,000,000, Should Go To War Widows, Socialists Assert.

Berlin, June 26.—A great topic of discussion in parliamentary circles is the fate of the ex-kaiser's millions. The nationalists assert that it would indicate fear if the money were not handed over. The socialists, on the other hand, repeatedly suggest that the greater part of the ex-emperor's fortune should go to the widows and orphans of the war.

"Let the Hohenzollerns earn their living by the sweat of their brow," they say. "Every Hohenzollern is taught a trade."

Has Comfortable Fortune.

A new feature is added to the dispute every day. Palaces, plate, linen, jewelry and 40 castles in the country are involved. At a recent sale property belonging to the ex-kaiser realized more than $10,000,000, and it is estimated that the remaining property of the Hohenzollerns in Berlin alone amounts to 200,000,000 marks (nominally $50,000,000).

"This belongs to me," says the ex-kaiser in effect. "It belongs to the state," thunder the socialists; and as soon as the ownership of, say, the palace linen is settled, another little matter crops up involving about $500,000 worth of china.

When the ex-kaiser's great-grandfather, Frederich William III, died, he left not more than about $2,000,000 a year in trust for the Hohenzollerns. During his liftime he managed to rub along on $1,500,000 a year, which is considerably less than half the sum his great-grandson received as king of Prussia.

The ex-kaiser was notoriously extravagant. He began on a "salary" of $4,000,000, in addition to which there was the $2,000,000 a year from the great-grandfather's trust fund. His private income amounted to $1,000,000, and shortly before the war the reichstag favored him with a further sum which brought a million sterling.

Want to Know Source.

When the ex-kaiser's lawyers first submitted their client's claims to the reichstag the demands made were partly recognized. Since then the socialists have accused the ex-kaiser of wishing to embarrass the state, and they have raised the question of the origin of the millions of marks which the fallen ruler claims to be his.

A bill is shortly to be brought up in the reichstag, but, in face of the socialist party's question: "Where do the ex-kaiser's millions come from?" its fate is in the balance.

Six Injured When Autos Collide on Beatrice Street

Beatrice, Neb., June 29.—(Special)—Six persons were cut and bruised Sunday night when automobiles owned by Chester Rock and Gail Carrithers collided at Thirteenth and Grant streets. The impact was of such force that both cars were hurled to one side of the street where they struck an electric light pole. Carrithers was the most seriously injured, clivers of glass from the wind shield being driven into his right kne

Senator Harding Is Back at Desk After Rest Over Week-End

Washington, June 29.—Senator Harding, the republican presidential nominee, was back at his office today after a week-end rest in New Jersey. He had a busy day going through the mass of correspondence and other work and receiving callers.

During the day the candidate also made a phonographic record on Americanism to be used for campaign purposes and posed for the moving picture photographers.

Among visitors today was Stanley H. Howe of New York, director of the national budget committee, who told the senator that the committee was preparing a bill to substitute the measure recently vetoed by President Wilson. It will provide, he said, for a reorganization of the multiplicity of governmental bureaus.

"You have a considerable job on your hands," said Senator Harding. "Economy, as you know, is a part of my program."

Edward M. Martin of Woodsfield, O., official tally clerk of the republican national convention, presented the nominee with the original tally sheet of the 10th ballot on which the senator was nominated.

Opposition to League Of Nations Crops Out Before Committee

San Francisco, June 29.—Opposition to the league of nations cropped up before the resolutions committee during its public hearings today when C. L. Olson, state senator of Utah, and a delegate from that state, appeared before the committee with proposals for a "progressive platform."

"We are not so much concerned as to whether democrats or republicans participate in making a peace treaty and a league of nations," Olson said, "as we are that such a treaty shall give promise of a better world instead of one which will promote hate and we believe this cannot be avoided by a league of nations constituting governments which are committed either to imperialistic ambitions or to the idea of the commercial and economic subjugation of peoples to industrial slavery which amounts to the same thing."

Anson B. Cole Again Denied New Trial by High Court

Lincoln, June 29.—(Special)—Again has the appeal of Anson B. Cole for a new trial been denied by the court, which decided adversely to the application in error coram nobis in the appeal from Howard county.

Two More Cases of Bubonic Plague Found In Vera Cruz

Vera Cruz, June 29.—Two deaths and two new cases of bubonic plague were reported during the last 24 hours.

The Weather

Forecast.

Fair Wednesday; not much change in temperature.

Hourly Temperatures:

5 a. m.	68	1 p. m.	80
6 a. m.	69	2 p. m.	83
7 a. m.	69	3 p. m.	83
8 a. m.	72	4 p. m.	82
9 a. m.	72	5 p. m.	83
10 a. m.	74	6 p. m.	82
11 a. m.	77	7 p. m.	81
12 noon	79	8 p. m.	80

ILLINOIS JOINS EMPIRE STATE IN FIGHT ON M'ADOO

Claim Made Former Secretary Will Poll But Two Votes From Sucker State—Delegates in Caucus.

By E. O. PHILLIPS.
Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee, Leased Wire.

San Francisco, June 29.—Illinois has entered into a combination with New York to assure, if possible, the defeat of William G. McAdoo for the presidential nomination. This accomplished, the purpose will be to nominate a candidate satisfactory to the democratic leaders of the states north of the Ohio river.

George E. Brennan as chairman of the Illinois delegation is tonight recognized as the head of the anti-McAdoo organization. He has the backing of the Illinois delegates. The midnight estimate inside the delegation is that McAdoo can expect no more than two votes from Illinois, both of those from the Joliet district.

The 58 delegates were in caucus tonight at the state headquarters at the Clift hotel. No effort was made to bind them by any caucus action and agreement was reached specifically that each delegate shall vote on the first and every other ballot as his own judgment dictates. The sentiment at the caucus was so clearly antagonistic to McAdoo that the Illinois leaders had no hesitancy in saying that Illinois will go the route with the McAdoo opposition in New York, led by Charles F. Murphy of Tammany hall in circumventing what they term "the pussyfoot campaign" that the federal job holders are making in McAdoo's behalf.

Other States Line Up.

It is learned from the inside that the cementing of the Illinois-New York pact was completed at an early hour this morning. Standing immediately behind these two states is a lineup that certainly includes Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin and Ohio, and possibly takes in Massachusetts, New Jersey and Kentucky.

"We are in with a play that encompasses not a delegate under 450," said Mr. Brennan. "The point has been reached where we can say with positive assurance that Illinois never will consent to the nomination of McAdoo and we never will have to because he is a dead one in this convention.

No definite statement was made what Illinois will do when the time comes to pick the candidate. There is no question but that the Cox candidacy has been weakened materially in the opinion of Illinois leaders because of the statement of ex-Governor Campbell that tended to make Governor Cox more of a dry than a wet. Such wet spokesmen as Anton J. Cermak, head of the United Societies of Chicago, now say in the open that they are "off of Cox."

Realize Fortune From Sale Of Jewels of Gaby Deslys

Paris, June 29.—The auction sale of the jewels of the late Gaby Deslys, the dancer, was held today. The total amount realized was 2,303,900 francs. The money will be used for the benefit of the poor of Marseilles, in accordance with the terms of the will

NEBRASKAN SHUT OUT ON BIG ISSUES

Convention Leaders Refuse to Make Commoner Member of Resolutions Subcommittee—Regarded as Slap in Face.

MILITANTS ON IRISH QUESTION START FIGHT

Sympathizers Stage Scene Before Committee—Chiefs Hopeful of Drafting Plank Carrying Real Meaning.

By GRAFTON S. WILCOX.
Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire.

San Francisco, June 29.—Leaders of the Wilson administration, who are dominating this democratic convention, are inclining a listening ear to the friends of Irish freedom, who are here demanding a stronger declaration for the Irish republic than the republican party gave them in its declaration of principles adopted at Chicago.

After a turbulent demonstration by the militant Irish sympathizers before the convention committee on resolutions during which one indomitable auburn haired woman had to be ejected from the room because of her persistent heckling of representatives of the Loyal Coalition Opposing the Irish Cause, it became known that administration leaders were seeking to evolve a plank on the issue which might lure the Irish vote next November.

Although Frank P. Walsh and Senator Phelan of California in presenting the demand from the champions of Ireland that the democratic party recommend American recognition of the Irish republic, stated that nothing short of such a declaration would be acceptable, the administration platform builders are hopeful of drafting a plank which will mean something to the Irish people without directly challenging the authority of Great Britain in her own dominions.

See Connection With League.

Some of the party leaders in the confidence of the administration admitted tonight that the political expediency of the situation demanded a revision of the plank on the Irish question already prepared, which would link the issue to the league of nations and offer the league as the instrument of solution for Ireland's woes.

They intimated that in this issue and this alone, was there a sign of yielding ground. Just how far they would yield, the platform builders were undertaking to determine tonight in a protracted session of the Wilsonian subcommittee appointed by Chairman Glass of Virginia Monday night.

On no other issue, it was declared, would the administration subcommittee or the full committee on resolutions submit to pressure of opposing forces in the convention. It was emphatically declared by men who are steering this well oiled White House machine that the platform to be submitted to the convention would contain no plank on prohibition, either pro-wet or pro-dry, and that the Wilson league of nations plank pledging the party to ratification of the peace treaty and covenant without reservations would come through the convention unscathed from the attacks of "cabalistic" senators. The persistent Mr. Bryan with his demand for immediate peace to make "Woodrow Wilson the moral leader of the world" will have no effect.

Militants Begin Fireworks.

Determination to give the Irish something more than the administration leaders had first contemplated came before the meeting of the resolutions committee this afternoon. The militants of the Irish convention lobby broke loose with all their fire works and turned the meeting into an uproar. It became known that conferences had been held early in the day between Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby, presidential adviser to the resolutions committee, and leaders of various big delegations.

Mr. Colby is known to have talked over the Irish situation with Charles F. Murphy of Tammany hall. Without the Irish vote, the New York leaders told Mr. Colby, the Empire state cannot be held by the democracy in the coming election.

Leaders in other states say that a good Irish plank will go a long way toward assuring victory in November.

The door is closed, however, to Mr. Bryan on the modification of the league of nations plank or to a dry enforcement plank. How the convention leaders feel toward Mr. Bryan was demonstrated effectively in the refusal of the Wilson men to maake him a member of the resolutions subcommittee. This was a direct slap in Bryan's face from the White House hand.

Bryan Relent.

Mr. Bryan recognizes the slight but is saying nothing. He will take his defeat in the committee to the floor of the convention in all probability on both the league and prohibition issues. He is certain to have

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