

### Recognition of Ireland Asked at Chicago Meeting

#### Resolutions Urging Action by United States Passed at Closing Session of Convention.

Chicago, April 20.—Immediate recognition by the United States of Ireland as a free and sovereign state, was asked in resolutions adopted at the closing session of the first annual convention of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic.

### Colombian Treaty Ratified by Senate

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man. Later on it was put to another vote and beaten by the more decisive vote of 58 to 30.

On the first roll call Senator Lodge voted in favor of the amendment, but he switched on the second. The republican senators who finally allied with democrats and defeated the amendment were:

Ball, Bursum, Cameron, Colt, Curtis, Dillingham, Fernald, France, Frelinghuysen, Gooding, Harrell, Keys, Knox, Ladd, LaFollette, Lodge, McKinley, McLean, New, Nicholson, Oddie, Penrose, Phipp, Shortridge, Spencer, Stanfield, Sterling, Sutherland and Warren.

#### Canal Privileges Attacked.

Numerous attempts were made to eliminate the privileges granted to Colombia in the use of the canal. Amendments for this purpose were proposed by Senator Poindexter of Washington and Senator Wadsworth of New York. They were all beaten.

Senator Poindexter proposed another amendment to reduce the payment from \$25,000,000 to \$15,000,000. This also was rejected.

Arimonious debate preceded the final showdown. Republican senators bitterly reproached the administration for advocating economy and then proposing as its first act to give \$25,000,000 in payment of a "black-mail" demand.

On the other hand, democratic senators announced their willingness to support the pact because they felt that Roosevelt had done Colombia a great wrong in 1903. Senator Norris of Nebraska, republican, jested at his colleagues for turning a "flip-flop" on the treaty at President Harding's request, after denouncing it as "black-mail."

"We should send an apology to democratic senators for what we said about Wilson and about their being rubber-stamps," he said. "We ought to abolish the senate, invest \$4 or \$5 in rubber stamps, send them to the president and save the salaries of 96 senators."

Senator Wadsworth of New York, republican, declared that the ratification of the treaty was inexcusable, and told the senate he was not sufficiently "nimble-footed" to change his position.

#### Kenyon Denounces Treaty.

Senator Kenyon of Iowa, republican, described the treaty as "a proposition to pay \$25,000,000 to a set of hands in a pact denounced for years by republican leaders as black-mail."

He declared it did not square with the republican promises of economy and called attention to the fact that the world war veterans have been denied the bonus on the ground of "insufficient funds."

"What are you going to say to them after you give this \$25,000,000 black-mail?" he asked.

The Iowa senator declared that republican leaders never would have dared to bring up the treaty in Roosevelt's lifetime. He called it "an insult to Roosevelt's memory."

Senator Borah declared the treaty constituted "the solemn impeachment of the veracity and conduct of two great Americans—Roosevelt and Hay."

#### Niobrara Presbytery In Session in Wakefield

Wakefield, Neb., April 20.—(Special.)—The annual spring meeting of the Niobrara presbytery is in session here. The executive commission of presbytery consists of Rev. W. O. Harper of Laurel, Rev. George Bray of Pender, Prof. S. X. Cross of Wayne and H. J. Thomas of Stuart. A feature of the opening was a sermon by Rev. Dr. J. M. Caldwell, veteran pastor of the synod of Nebraska. Dr. Caldwell is 83 years of age and has spent a half century and more in the ministry.

Yes, a good cigar can be had for 5c—try "NEW CURRENCY." All good stores.—Adv.

## Why All This Hulabaloo?

The city commission is about to pass an ordinance which raises the electric rates of 150 big patrons of the Nebraska Power company, who have been paying less than the cost of manufacturing and delivering the current which they have used.

The saving is to be passed along to the 40,000 ordinary folk who have been paying 6 cents for electricity while the "big boys" have been paying from seven-eighths of one cent to two cents. Their rate is reduced from 6 to 5 1/2 cents.

City Commissioner W. G. Ure has led the movement which brought this reduction about.

Does this explain the vicious campaign being made against Ure, a campaign the more scurrilous because it uses half-truths as its basis and insinuation instead of open-handed fighting as its tool?

The World-Herald, leading the fight for Dahlman and against the present city commission, makes much of Ure's failure to insist upon the passage of his ordinance for a \$250,000 "baby" municipal electric light plant. It claims that Ure "changed his mind" and turned his back on municipal ownership. Yet Ure, when he introduced his ordinance, stated publicly that it was "a club." Should it be possible to manufacture electricity by such a plant at a lower rate than that now proposed—which is exceedingly doubtful, in view of present high construction costs—it would be years before the plant could supply the city. But as "a club," the proposal had immediate value. It kept the Nebraska Power company from raising rates and going into court to protect itself by long years of litigation, such as the city suffered in the "dollar gas" and similar cases.

Ure turned the plan to immediate advantage. He used his ordinance for the purpose for which he said he would use it. With the support of his fellow commissioners, he gave a reduction of \$80,000 a year to the people who use electricity for lighting their homes, their offices, their little stores. He and the other commissioners propose that the "big boys," who were getting their electricity for less than it cost, shall pay their proper share of the burden.

Is it in defense of the "big boys" that this hulabaloo is being raised? Some folks might think so.

Omaha needed a municipal electric light plant much more in 1915 than it does today. Rates were higher then, and the cost of making electricity was lower. The profits in the business were much greater. But Governor Morehead, elected by the aid of the World-Herald, vetoed the municipal electric light bill passed by the legislature. The World-Herald never failed to support Morehead loyally in subsequent campaigns for United States senator and governor.

In 1913, the city commission—two of whose members were James C. Dahlman and J. B. Hummel—favored a 25-year franchise for the Omaha Gas company, and the World-Herald, now supporting the candidacies of these two gentlemen, fought with all its heavy artillery for that franchise. The people turned it down by an overwhelming vote and decided later to own their own gas plant.

Those things happened when there was "gray" in the public utility business, when electric light rates were higher than they are today.

The World-Herald, and Dahlman and Hummel, were not lined up then with the interests of the ordinary run of folk—not if the voters knew what they were doing when they cast their ballots.

Is it for the same reason that these same people are fighting Ure and his fellow commissioners today?

After all, what is the issue?

It is not to put into office men who will take orders from this newspaper or that, from this clique or that. Not a man in Omaha, it is safe to say, can find in the 14 candidates seven who will agree with him at all times and on every issue. Certainly The Bee cannot.

The issue is to pick the men who, all in all, best represent the city and give most promise of decent government.

Can W. G. Ure be omitted from such a list? Can Dean Ringer? Can Towl, or Falconer, or Zimmerman or Butler?

## German Finance Experts Reject Transfer Plans

#### Reichsbank President Says Removal of Gold Would Result in Collapse of German Currency.

Berlin, April 20.—(By The Associated Press.)—While the German cabinet has not yet indicated the nature of its reply to the reparation commission's demand that the German gold reserve be transferred to some point in the occupied zone, President Haverstein of the reichsbank and the financial writers summarily reject the proposition.

They take the ground that the gold is not only the property of a private bank, but that its removal from Berlin under the conditions named would result in the collapse of German currency at home and abroad.

The experts assert that such a proceeding would work havoc with German economic interests and promptly result in an advance of all commodities to fabulous prices.

The Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung, owned by Hugo Stinnes, estimates the volume of German currency held abroad at 20,000,000,000 marks, and that foreign demands on Germany of all kinds total 95,000,000,000 marks. The value of the present gold reserve of 1,090,000,000 marks is computed as representing 10 per cent of Germany's current issue.

#### Wakefield School Head Retained at Wage Increase

Wakefield, Neb., April 20.—(Special.)—Supt. E. W. Smith and Principal L. F. Leuck have been re-elected by the board of education, each at an increase of salary. Practically the entire teaching force is being retained for the coming year.

The district is planning to build a new high school building as soon as general financial conditions will permit. Good athletic grounds are maintained and the various teams are making excellent records this year. Superintendent Smith has personal charge of the track and ball game teams which are being coached for the track meet at Wayne.

#### 25 Seek Citizenship From Court at Hebron

Hebron, Neb., April 20.—(Special.)—Twenty-five applications for citizenship papers were filed for this term of court. Up to Tuesday night 15 applicants had been examined, 11 continued and four admitted. Those who were granted citizenship papers were John William Frietage, Henry Frietage, Fred John Buntomeyer, Peter Henry Johnsen.

The custom of wearing black for mourning was originated by Anne, the queen of Charles VIII of France.

## Gompers Attacks Gary's Attitude on Labor Organization

Toronto, April 20.—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, attacked Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel corporation, for his attitude toward union labor, in an address before the Empire club today.

"Offices of the American Federation of Labor are in Washington," he said. "I challenge Judge Gary for the selection of a committee, half to be appointed by him and half by myself to make an investigation of both the United States Steel corporation and the federation."

Referring to Mr. Gary's statement Monday that reasonable control through government agencies would prove a solution to labor union problems, Mr. Gompers charged the steel

head did not know his own men and that he relied on the reports of his detective agencies.

#### Ex-Head of Cuban American Jockey Club Goes to Jail

Havana, April 20.—"Curley" Brown, former president of the Cuban American Jockey club, was last night sentenced to one year and eight months in prison on the charge of having last year made an assault with intent to kill on Alberto Piedra, Brown is in the United States under bond.

#### Czech Priest Is Arrested; Offered Prayer for Charles

Kossice, Czechoslovakia, April 20.—A Catholic priest named Fulop, presiding over a parish in a nearby village has been arrested because, it is alleged, he recited a prayer for former King Charles during, high mass last Sunday.

See Want Ads—little, but mighty.

#### Many Cars Entered for Alliance Auto Show

Alliance Auto Show Alliance, Neb., April 20.—(Special.)—Twenty-four exhibits have been entered in the automobile show to be held in Alliance May 6 and 7. Every dealer in the city has arranged to show all of the different makes and models of cars handled here. Invitations have been sent out to dealers in every town in this section of the state and a large attendance is expected. It will be the first exclusive auto show to be held in western Nebraska. A program of music has been arranged for each afternoon and a big dance will be held at the roof garden each night. The show will be free to all visitors.

#### Col. Maher in Capital

Washington, April 20.—(Special Telegram.)—Col. John G. Maher, wife and daughter, of Omaha are in the city.

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# RINGER OR DUNN? Between the Two Vote for RINGER

ALLIANCE CITY MANAGER Takes Charge of Affairs

Alliance, Neb., April 20.—(Special.)—N. A. Kemmish, newly appointed city manager, arrived from his former home at York and is now in full charge of city affairs. He was a guest at a Chamber of Commerce luncheon and spoke briefly on the policies he expects to pursue as the city's chief executive. He asked for the support of the Chamber of Commerce and pledged his co-operation in all affairs for the betterment of the city. He said his slogan would be, "A fair deal to all and favoritism to none." He resigned his position as general manager of the York Public Service corporation to accept the position here. His salary here will be \$5,000 a year, with an annual increase of \$500 up to \$6,500. He is a civil engineer by profession and has had many years of practical experience in municipal affairs.

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