

CLARENCE DAVIS SEEKS BERTH IN SENATE

Country on Threshold of New Era
President Harding
'Business Reviving and Country Finding Itself' Harding Tells Members of U. S. C. of C. Urges Merchant Marine

Omaha Girl to Carry on of Leading The Bee Good Delegation to France; Four Will Make Journey From This City

STANDING OF THE CANDIDATES
Miss Nellie B. Donn, Union Pacific... 93,047
Miss Katharine O'Brien, Burlington route... 64,923
Miss Elizabeth Kaufmann, livestock interests... 60,109

representative than the next highest election city, Springfield, Mass., which will have three members of the delegation. Louisville, Ky., will also send three on the trip to France.

Kinkaid Is Forced to Seek Quiet
Congressman From 'Big Sixth' Will Not Be Candidate for Re-Election—Health Has Broken. Served Twenty Years

By GEORGE C. AUTHIER.
Washington, May 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Moses P. Kinkaid of O'Neill, Neb., congressman from the "Big Sixth" district and chairman of the important committee on irrigation of arid lands, announced today that after the expiration of his present term he will retire from congress.

Girl-Wife, 17, Forsaken by Lover, Drinks Poison

Mrs. Sara Okun Drains Vial in Lincoln Boulevard Home—May Not Recover.

Love, with which Sara Okun, 17, beautiful girl employed by Hotel Hill as telephone operator, had played so lightly, suddenly assumed tempestuous form at 3 yesterday afternoon and left her near death, an emptied poison bottle at her side telling the story. She may not recover, doctors at Lord Lister hospital say.

Support to President Is Pledged

Practically Every Question of Public Importance Is Touched Upon in Statement Issued Yesterday.

Third to Enter Race

Lincoln, Neb., May 18.—(Special Telegram.)—Attorney General Clarence A. Davis today issued formal acceptance of nominations signed by thousands of Nebraska republicans in all parts of the state urging him to seek the nomination for United States senator on the republican ticket.

Strong for Prohibition

The statement of the attorney general on the prohibition question is blunt. He says, "Few people need to enquire to know that I am, not only politically, but personally, I stand flatly on a consistent record of law enforcement as attorney general, which speaks more loudly than any promise I might make."

Text of Statement

The Davis statement follows: "I have decided to become a candidate for the United States senate. I am absolutely and unqualifiedly a republican, and proud to proclaim it. I believe in government by responsible political parties.

"The republican party was the controlling political force in the greatest half century of America's progress. It will continue to be only so long as it approaches the future with the same forward looking program as it did in the past.

"I stand ready to support any and all measures necessary to place and to maintain agriculture upon a profitable basis. Conditions have come to pass which make it essential that a development of the waterway navigation and the construction of the St. Lawrence-Great Lakes waterway will cheapen transportation costs and benefit agriculture.

"Pending these, such temporary expedients as the War Finance corporation extending adequate credit to hold crops through price depressions are to be relied on. I am happy to have had some part in the working out of this great agency of service to the farmer.

"Sound, clean business organized on a legitimate basis to render service to the community is to be encouraged.

"Promotions, stock selling, schemes, nefarious trade practices should be condemned and prosecuted. Neither the magnitude of operation nor prominence of the culprit should deter law enforcement. They have not deterred me.

"I am opposed to the entry of the government, either state or national, in the field of business activity in any place where private capital can function properly. The government in business leads to socialism.

"Taxation will be lowered. Taxes rose with everything else. They can be reduced with everything else. The national administration is proving this day by day.

"I regard the continued use and operation of the budget, which adjusts expenses to income, coupled with a systematic supervision of expenditures, as fundamental. The promiscuous issuance of \$10,000,000 of tax exempt securities does not improve the situation."

"To a large part of Nebraska the development of irrigation by means of federal aid or encouragement is vital. I shall do, as I have in the past, all in my power to assist this development.

"As living conditions are more complex, the government must take a more active position in safeguarding child life, motherhood, the home and social relations. At the same time it must understand the government can never be a substitute for parent or character. It can materially better environment, and I believe it should do so.

"I hope the present republican congress will pass the bonus. Before the 1920 election I pledged myself and I understand an adjusted compensation plan financed so nearly as practicable by taxes levied upon those businesses that received undue profits throughout the war.

"I believe in and will abide by the 1920 platform of the republican party in its expressions relating to matters that space forbids my discussing herein."



Mrs. Sara Okun.

'I Love You! I Love You!' Cries Letter to Joffey

The letters inscribed "Joffey," found in a dresser drawer in Mrs. Okun's room, throbs with love in parts and are tinged with despair in others. They follow:

"It is midnight and I cannot sleep. I am forced to write this to you as an outlet for my pent up emotions. It is impossible for me longer to go on like this. I have many times, though, found joy in writing you my thoughts and feelings, but I have never had the courage to let you read them. I have a whim now, though, to let you see just a glimpse of the thoughts that are seething through me tonight.

"Of course I know you will term this sentimental 'nonsense,' but I need not, Joffey dear; every word is sincere, carefully thought over (when they do not come too fast, they are straight from my heart).

"Well, Joffey, are you sufficiently curious to wonder what is the purport of this maze of emotions. I know that I am uninteresting to you, but really it is not the usual thing for me to disclose myself thus.

"The first and last thing, Joffey, is that I love you! I love you! I love you!

But Joffey, dear, where I was so happy in thinking of you a few nights ago as a ray of sunshine into the blackness of my despair, (don't laugh, I was desperate Sunday, you know), it is all the opposite now. You know, Joffey, the only real comparison I can make is that before it was like drinking a brimming cupful of sunshine in my mouth. Ashes of what? Ashes of regrets.

You are all I have now. I need you so, Joffey. Do you realize what it means? Joffey, please, if it is your intention to break with me, let me know immediately. Don't torture me. I am suspended between fear that I will lose you, and joy for the first time in my life I was happy.

Who was it that said "The wine of love is bitter-sweet"? Well, I'll not bore you longer, but one last plea, Joffey: Have mercy; I need your companionship. Be kind enough to bear me until I am so strong on my feet that I cannot lie crushed down when the end comes. Please!

Don't, don't, Joffey, laugh at my sentimentality. These were my innermost thoughts and it would hurt badly if you should laugh. If I thought you would, I wouldn't (Turn to Page Two, Column Two.)

The Weather

Forecast. Friday, fair and warmer.

Hourly Temperatures.

Highest Thursday.

Lowest Thursday.

Forecast.

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British Give Up Hope of American Aid in Hague Case

Sir Grigg Announces U. S. Not Likely to Attend Conference—Eight Months Truce Is Arranged.

Genoa, May 18.—(By A. P.)—Sir Edward Grigg announced on behalf of the British delegation this afternoon that further advances had been received from the United States government and that it did not seem likely the United States would participate in the Hague meeting, at least until the scope of the meeting was better understood.

Asked to explain the British delegates statement, Richard Washburn Child, the American ambassador, told the correspondent he had conferred with Foreign Minister Schanzer of Italy, Prime Minister Lloyd George being present, and amplified the position concerning the Hague already explained in the note to Secretary of State Hughes in order to make clear beyond the possibility of a doubt the attitude of the United States.

The final plenary session of the entire conference was fixed for 9 o'clock Friday morning and the gathering probably will be concluded about noon.

The British have ordered a special train for early tomorrow afternoon and the other delegations are making plans for a hasty departure.

Truce Arranged. Genoa, May 18.—(By A. P.)—The eight-months non-aggression pact was adopted unanimously at a plenary meeting of the political sub-committee of the Genoa conference today. The pact was not signed, but was adopted in the form of a resolution, each state pledging itself to respect it.

Six Clauses. The agreement contains six clauses, summarized as follows: Clause 1—Provides for the appointment of a commission by the powers to examine again the divergencies existing between the soviet government and other governments, and with a view to meeting a Russian commission having the same mandate.

Clause 2—Not later than June 20 the names of the powers represented on the non-Russian commission, and the names of the members of this commission will be transmitted to the soviet government, and reciprocally, the names of the members of the Russian commission will be communicated to the other governments.

Clause 3—The questions to be treated by these commissions will comprise debts, private properties and credits.

Clause 4—The members of the two commissions must be at The Hague on June 26.

Clause 5—The two commissions will strive to reach joint resolutions on the questions mentioned in Clause 3.

To Work Peacefully. Clause 6—To permit the commissions to work peacefully, and also to re-establish mutual confidence, the soviet government and its allied republics, on the one side, and the other governments, on the other, pledge themselves to abstain from any act of aggression and subversive propaganda. The pledge of abstaining from any act of aggression will be based upon the present status quo, and will remain in force for a period of four months after the conclusion of the work of the commissions.

The pledge concerning propaganda will obligate the governments not to (Turn to Page Two, Column Five.)

Boycott Probe of Grocers Dropped by Trade Body

Washington, May 18.—(Special Telegram.)—The federal trade commission announced today dismissal of the boycott investigation of the Iowa-Nebraska-Minnesota Wholesale Grocers Association of Council Bluffs, Ia. The proceedings against the association were dismissed "without prejudice."

35 Indictments Returned After Fargo Bank Inquiry

Fargo, N. D., May 18.—Thirty-five secret indictments against 13 individuals have been returned by the special county grand jury investigating the affairs of the defunct Scandinavian-American bank of Fargo, and the relation of those affairs with the Bank of North Dakota, George Schaefer, assistant state attorney general, announced today.

Babe Ruth to Return to Diamond Saturday

New York baseball fans are preparing for "Babe" Ruth's return to the diamond Saturday.

Ray Watson, Wichita, Kan., distance runner, has declined to meet Joe Ray in a return mile race. Watson beat Ray at the Drake relay games.

Sixteen City won the first game of the series with the Omaha Buffaloes yesterday. The score was 23 to 14. The Packers scored their 23 runs on 20 hits.

The Brooklyn Dodgers won their second game of the western tour, defeating St. Louis, 7 to 5. No other games were played in the major leagues.

Decisions in boxing contests limited to 10 rounds are now permitted in Minnesota.

For details see page 7.

Hays Is Elected Moderator by Presbyterians

Vice President Coolidge May Address Popular Meeting Sunday—Bryan Unable to Attend

Des Moines, Ia., May 18.—Rev. Dr. Calvin C. Hayes of Johnstown, Pa., was selected moderator of the Presbyterian church in the United States by the 134th general assembly here this afternoon.

Dr. Hayes polled 512 votes of 379 for Dr. Cleland B. McAfee of Chicago, the only other candidate. A motion halting further nominations after the names of Dr. Hayes and Dr. McAfee had been placed before the assembly shut out from the race a half dozen candidates who had been accused of fighting chance in pre-election gossip.

Election Unanimous. After the count of the first ballot disclosed Dr. Hayes the victor with a margin of 133 votes, the assembly voted to make the election unanimous.

It was announced at the opening of the assembly that Vice President Calvin Coolidge will come from Washington to address a popular meeting of the Presbyterian assembly Sunday evening. He is expected to reach this city Saturday night.

Simultaneously it became known that William Jennings Bryan had been again prevented from coming to the opening session by a relapse in the illness of his wife. Mr. Bryan, however, may possibly arrive in time for an address Saturday evening.

Dr. W. O. Thompson, president of Ohio State University, Columbus, O., who had been himself considered a strong possibility for the moderatorship, made the nominating speech for Dr. Hayes.

Another man who had been considered a possible candidate, Dr. John B. Laird of Philadelphia, seconded Dr. Hayes' nomination in a brilliant speech which, commissionaires stated later, had much to do with the latter's victory. Dr. Laird told the assembly that Dr. Hayes was a preacher from a country church, and cited his record of 31 years' service in that capacity in the same congregation.

Selection of 20 standing committees by the general assembly was under way late today. The personnel of the committees are chosen by the commissionaires and the heads of the committees are then named by the moderator. Dr. Hayes was expected to announce his selections late tonight or tomorrow morning.

Julius H. Barnes Elected Head of National C. of C.

Washington, May 18.—Julius H. Barnes of Duluth was elected president of the Chamber of Commerce of the United States late today, at the annual convention. He succeeds Joseph H. DeForest of Chicago.

Thomas B. Stearns of Denver was elected vice president for the western states.

16 Perish as Fire Razes Hospital in Eternal City

Historic Institution at Rome, Housing 500, Catches Fire at Midnight—Firemen Fight in Dark.

Rome, May 18.—(By A. P.)—A disastrous fire swept the historic hospital of Santo Spirito, one of the most ancient and picturesque charitable institutions in Rome early today.

Collapse of the pavement isolated the chronic ward. Sixteen bodies had been extracted from the burning ruins at 7:30 o'clock.

The institution accommodates nearly 500 inmates and includes a hospital, lunatic asylum, foundling home and a refuge for aged and infirm persons.

The fire broke out at midnight in the laundry. At first it seemed insignificant, but it spread rapidly to wards containing chronic sufferers or infirm who were seized with panic. The shrieks of the sufferers mingled with the crackling of the flames while the atmosphere rapidly became dense with smoke.

Nurses and doctors cleared the bedridden from one ward and in the next ward three of the patients crawled out. Neighboring firemen responded to the scene, but at the moment of the arrival the electric lights were extinguished, adding to the horror of the situation.

Wooden Beams Fall. As the immense wooden beams of the hospital fell there was a heavier, grinding noise and the pavement collapsed, burying 20 of the chronic patients and rendering access to the wards impossible.

Carabinieri, royal guards, nurses and doctors made heroic efforts to save the patients, rushing through the smoke and fire and bringing out 12, all of whom, however, were dead from suffocation. Several of the rescue parties were injured. The firemen saved the other buildings.

On Banks of Tiber. The hospital of Santo Spirito is situated on the bank of the River Tiber, not far from the vatican grounds. It was founded by Pope Innocent III, in the twelfth century, enlarged by Innocent IV in the thirteenth and rebuilt under Sixtus IV in the fifteenth.

The altar in the hospital chapel was designed by Andrea Palladio and is reputed to be the only work of this artist in Rome.

Nebraska Commissioner Home From Rate Hearing

Lincoln, May 18.—(Special.)—H. G. Taylor, chairman of the Nebraska railway commission, returned from Kansas City, where he attended a meeting of representatives of utilities commissions from half a dozen mid-western states as well as representatives of farm bureaus and grain exchanges, to discuss the attempt of the railroads to reopen the grain rate case. Telegrams signed by all representatives were sent to the interstate commerce commission to refuse to reopen this case.

Always Worked Hard. He was interested also in the Mowdell bill, which it is proposed to incorporate in the soldiers bonus legislation, a measure similar in character to the Smith-McNary bill, although designed especially to place the lands at the disposal of soldiers. The Smith-McNary bill gives the service man a 60-day preference.

During his service in congress, (Turn to Page Two, Column Five.)

Livestock Exchange Men Hold Annual Convention

Kansas City, May 18.—Delegates from 28 livestock exchanges of the country are attending the sessions of the 34th annual National Livestock Exchange convention which opened here today. Everett C. Brown of Chicago, president of the association, opened the sessions.



Moses P. Kinkaid.

pected to continue his congressional service indefinitely. Representative Kinkaid had realized that he was ailing, but refused to acknowledge his condition as serious.

Doctor Demands Rest. Within the last few days, however, his physicians have told him he is suffering from heart disease and that absolute rest is required if he is to prolong his life. The veteran legislator has been compelled to accept the verdict.

In announcing his decision today Judge Kinkaid said, "I bow to the decision and very reluctantly retire from congress. During the years I have been here, I have received the enthusiastic support of my constituents and I appreciate that greatly."

Judge Kinkaid is one of the veterans in congress, and at the close of his term in March will have served 20 years in congress. Previous to that long service, for 13 years he had been judge of the district court in Nebraska.

Friend of Farmers. During his congressional career, Representative Kinkaid has been especially keen about looking after the interests of his district and of his constituents.

His name is a household word among farmers in new sections of the country, in other states as well as Nebraska. His sponsorship of many thousands of pioneers, in the last year of his service, Representative Kinkaid has been especially interested in various plans under consideration for developing the arid lands of the United States. He was especially interested in the fortunes of the Smith-McNary bill which proposes to appropriate a revolving fund of \$350,000,000 for the development of swamp lands in the south and arid lands in the west.

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France and Italy Favor Probe of Turk Atrocities

London, May 18.—(By A. P.)—Favorable replies have been received by the British government from France and Italy to Great Britain's proposal to send a commission to inquire into alleged Turkish atrocities in Anatolia.

No reply has been received from the United States government.