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HARDING THROWS BOMB AT GOV. COX
Emits Stinging Retort Open Farmer Vote Fight.

MARION, O., July 13.—A hot fight between Harding and Cox over the farmer's vote has been started by the senator's nomination's stinging retort to the announcement by Gov. Cox that he favors a "real dirt" farmer for secretary of agriculture.

It is the first bomb shell Harding has dropped on Cox and his principles to set off a lively shower of fireworks.

Harding's statement declared that the republicans had kept a "real farmer" in office as secretary of agriculture for sixteen years continuously until the democrats came into power and appointed a university president to the post.

He referred to James M. Davis, of Iowa, who was secretary of agriculture under McKinley, Roosevelt and Taft, and was succeeded by David S. Houston, then president of Washington university, St. Louis, recently succeeded by E. T. Merle, a publisher.

The high cost of living problem would have been solved in advance had the republican policies in relation to the department of agriculture been carried on Harding said.

Harding expected to work on his speech all day, hoping to make up for time lost when he was engaged in conference with party leaders.

There was apparent disappointment at Harding headquarters over the refusal of Gov. Clement of Vermont to call the legislature into special session to ratify the woman's suffrage amendment.

"I had hoped he would do it," Harding said when the news was brought to him.

Laporte Rainmaker Starts Something

LAPORTE, Ind., July 13.—Laporte county has a rain-maker in the person of D. C. Marble of New Carlisle, who claims he can make it rain any time.

The process requires from one to three days' time and his operating territory reaches as far south as Texas, as far west as Kansas and as far north as Wisconsin.

In proof of his powers, Mr. Marble submits records of places where he has caused it to rain.

In one instance he started a rain in the state of Wisconsin and put out some immense forest fires there.

He has no power, he says, to stop a rain when it once gets started.

Expansion of Grain Concern Announced

Announcement is made of the reincorporation of the Sheek Brothers Company, 229 East Ohio street, under the name of the Farmers Terminal Grain and Feed Company, with a capital stock of \$150,000 and that it has purchased the physical properties of the Belt Elevator and Feed Company, at West Washington street and the Belt railroad, and its local business.

The Belt Elevator and Feed Company will continue its other business in its present office in the Board of Trade building.

Anglo-Jap Treaty Renewed for Year

LONDON, July 13.—Great Britain and Japan have notified the league of nations that they have prolonged their treaty alliance for a year, according to the Daily Mail, at the same time pointing out that the terms of the treaty are in accord with the principles of the league.

The reason for the prolongation of the treaty, according to the Mail, is that Great Britain has not yet had an opportunity to consult with the dominions regarding a revision.

Americans Juss Miss Death by Anarchists

WASHINGTON, July 13.—John Freedman, a British subject, was executed after a seven-year American prison sentence at the hands of an anarchist band of Russian Bolsheviks known as the "Red Black Guard" during the reign of terror at Nikolaevoik, Siberia, according to a report to the state department today from the American consul at Vladivostok.

RUSSIAN TROOPS OCCUPY MINSK

Soviets Take Strategic Points on Russo-Polish Front.

LONDON, July 13.—The Russians have occupied the important city of Minsk on the northern end of the Russo-Polish battle front, according to a soviet communiqué wirelessed from Moscow today. Minsk is about 285 miles northeast of Warsaw.

The Russian communiqué claimed also the capture of the two strategic cities of Molodetchna and Swiatlyat, both of which were the scene of violent battles between the Austro-Germans and Russians in the world war.

It was reported that the Poles had lost the fortress of Brest-Litovsk, where the Russian Bolsheviks had been based since their peace with the Poles, but this was denied by the Polish legation.

Brest-Litovsk is only ninety miles from Warsaw, the Polish capital.

The advance of the Russians south of Druski probably will compel the immediate evacuation of that fortress town by Ostrom and Proskrov, thence to the Romanian frontier.

It is now reported that Gen. Brusiloff is not commanding the Russian red armies, but a military genius has arisen in the ranks of the Bolsheviks.

The new commander is described as Comrade Tsvagachski, aged 27, who led the first army which defeated the forces of Gen. Denikin and Admiral Kolchak.

Lithuanian troops are reported mobile for an attack on the Poles, in accordance with an agreement signed by Lithuania and the Russian soviet government, according to a newspaper dispatch from Kovno today.

Neighbors Thought They Had Burglar

"Please go way and let me sleep," murmured Harry A. Simms, as he was aroused from his slumbers by the police emergency squad.

Sims' rooms at the home of Frank Alexander, 215 North Mount street, and the Alexanders are out of the city.

Neighbors saw a light flash on and off in the Alexander residence, and thought it was a burglar.

Neighbors, armed with revolvers, shot-guns and clubs, sent in a call for the police and surrounded the house.

When Sgt. Houston entered the house he found that Simms had gone to bed and was surprised to see that he had created so much excitement in the neighborhood.

Seize Auto With "White Mule" Cargo

Eleven gallons of "white mule" whisky were confiscated by the police today in a raid on a garage in the 3700 block on East North street.

Two men who were said to be bottling the whisky were arrested on charges of operating a blind tiger.

They gave their names as Frank Hill, 25, of 36 West Vermont street, and Marshall Hill, 28, of 1109 South Randolph street.

Lester Jones and Sgt. Vaiderauer, who made the raid, also took an automobile in which they say the men were transporting the whisky.

Injured Man Nursed by Estranged Wife

ROCHESTER, Ind., July 13.—A reconciliation may result from the assault upon Mayor W. W. Zimmerman by an unidentified man Saturday night, when the mayor suffered injuries that resulted in his removal to Reid hospital.

Mrs. Zimmerman went to the hospital yesterday and after helping to remove the mayor to his home, remained to nurse him.

She entered suit for divorce from him last week.

Mrs. Zimmerman and her attorney refused to state whether she had agreed to withdraw her suit.

Hartford City Needs Homes for Workmen

HARTFORD CITY, Ind., July 13.—The Hartford City chamber of commerce has issued a call for citizens to aid in finding homes for 150 workmen, who are soon to come here to be employed in new industries.

Nicholas Harrison Dies in California

BURGESS, CALIF., July 13.—Diamond services for Nicholas McCarty Harrison of this city, who died in Redlands, California, where he had resided for years, are to be held to receive his health, which will be held at Crown Hill cemetery at a date to be arranged later.

Mr. Harrison, who was the grandson of Nicholas McCarty, one of the early settlers in Indianapolis, was born in this city in 1871.

He is survived by his wife, two children.

Moore Ridicules 'Breakdown' Story

SAN FRANCISCO, July 13.—Ed H. Moore, national committeeman from Ohio and convention campaign manager for Gov. Cox, today made light of reports that he had suffered a nervous breakdown.

"I have been slightly under the weather for a couple of days," said Mr. Moore. "But reports that I have suffered a nervous breakdown are absurd."

He is survived by his wife, two children.

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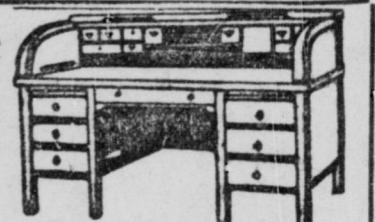
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