

# WILSON MAY ASK HARDING TO NAME MAN

Desires to Know 'Spokesman' in 'Association of Nations' Statement.

## NOTE SENT PRESIDENT

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—President Wilson may call upon Senator Harding to name "spokesman" of the French people, who, the Republican candidate stated, approached him and urged that the United States lead the way to an association of nations, it was learned at the White House today.

Secretary Tumulty stated he had not seen the President and did not know what his plans were.

However, others close to the White House indicated that they expect the President to call on Senator Harding to name the "spokesman."

Prince De Bearn, French chargé d'affaires, has informed the State Department that the French Foreign Office has decided sending any spokesman to Senator Harding relative to an association of nations.

The charge d'affaires says he is satisfied no official spokesman of France has volunteered their approval to the candidate of "an association of nations."

Under-Secretary of State Davis made this announcement, but refused to state whether a formal announcement has been received from France on the inquiry or in what manner the inquiry was made.

READY TO CONSIDER INCIDENT CLOSED.

It also has become known that Ambassador Jusserand has advised officials of this government that he has never discussed the association of nations with any member of the Senate.

It was strongly indicated at the State Department that this government is ready to consider the incident closed, so far as the question of diplomatic proprieties goes, and that France is no longer considered a party to the controversy.

Senator Harding's letter containing the official text of his statement, it was generally admitted, absolves the French government of any breach of diplomatic proprieties.

It was also admitted that the official text differed from the report to which the President took exception.

FRENCH SUPPORT LEAGUE OF NATIONS

The President's reply to Senator Harding is now awaited with interest, and it is generally predicted here that the Chief Executive will frame a reply in an effort to show that the French government is firmly in support of the League of Nations and does not desire an "Association of Nations."

Senator Harding's reply to President Wilson follows:

"Dear Mr. President:

I have before me a press copy of your letter to me of this date, though I am not in receipt of the original copy. I am glad to make a prompt reply.

It is very gratifying that you hesitate to draw inferences without my assurance that I am correctly quoted. The quotation as reported in your letter is not exact. The notes of the stenographer reporting my remarks quote me as saying 'France has sent her spokesmen to me informally, asking America in its new realization of the situation to lead the way for an association of nations.'

"I am sure that my words could not be construed to say that the French government has sent anybody to me. The thought I was trying to convey was that I held the people of France and those who spoke a sentiment which they represented to be very manifest among the French people, but nothing would suggest the French government was sending me to represent France in international relations. Official France would never seek to go over your high office as our chief executive to appeal to the American people, or any portion thereof.

CANDIDATE SEES NO IMPROPRIETY

"I can see no impropriety in private citizens of France, or in Americans deeply friendly to France, expressing to me their understanding of sentiment in that friendly republic."

"It is not important enough to discuss, perhaps, but I very respectfully urge that an informal expression to me is rather more than that to a private citizen. I hold the people of France and those who spoke a sentiment which they represented to be very manifest among the French people, but nothing would suggest the French government was sending me to represent France in international relations. Official France would never seek to go over your high office as our chief executive to appeal to the American people, or any portion thereof.

"In the combination of these two positions it ought to be manifest to me, as one very devoted friend of a new and better relationship among nations, no (Continued on Page Seven.)

WEATHER

Forecast for Indianapolis and vicinity for the twenty-four hours ending 7 p. m., Wednesday, Oct. 21: Unsettled tonight and Wednesday, probably showers; little change in temperature.

HOURLY TEMPERATURE

7 a. m. 62  
8 a. m. 62  
9 a. m. 62  
10 a. m. 62  
11 a. m. 62  
12 m. 62  
1 p. m. 62  
2 p. m. 62

You Risk Your Life When You Take Cold

# Call for Statement of Funds Used in Present Campaign

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 19.—Treasures of the Republican and Democratic national committees and chairman of the senatorial and congressional committees of both parties were notified today to present a full statement of all funds raised and expended in the present campaign to the United States Senate subcommittee on campaign expenditures by Oct. 28.

The committee, which adjourned here yesterday, after spending a day inquiring into charges that Democratic delegates to the Missouri State convention had had their expenses paid, reached this decision at a conference.

The reports of the treasurers and the chairman will be made public within a few days of election.

The committee will resume its regular session at the start of November, according to Chairman Kenyon, when it will direct its attention to senatorial and congressional campaign activities.

## PARTY LEADERS ADMIT CLOSE STATE FIGHTS

Several Senatorial Contests Classified in Doubtful Column.

CHICAGO, Oct. 19.—Party lines, worn and frayed from primary factional fighting, are nearly the parting point in nearly every close and bitter state fight, political leaders here admitted today.

Republican and Democratic leaders declared the "spills" in senatorial campaigns would not influence the presidential vote.

Senator Walsh today predicted the Democrats would have a majority of five in the next Senate.

Senator New expected to add Colorado, Oregon, Idaho, California, Kentucky, Arizona, Nevada and Maryland to the existing Republican majority.

Both parties were dubious of the Oregon situation, where Senator George E. Chamberlain, Democrat, is fighting for re-election, opposed by J. E. Handfield, on personalities and party platform.

Republicans conceded Senator A. B. Cummins was having "the fight of his life" for re-election in Iowa.

Opposed by labor because of the Esch-Cummins railroad bill, Democrats confidently looked for the unseating of Cummins by Claude R. Porter.

NOVEMBER TIME IN WISCONSIN

Wisconsin was furnishing the noisiest fireworks of the senatorial battles with the election of Senator Robert La Follette as an aftermath of the primary struggle.

Aside from Paul Reinsch, Democratic nominee, La Follette is opposed by James Thompson, running as an independent and backed by the La Follette party.

The primary in Illinois drove a wedge in Republican forces of Mayor William Thompson and Gov. Frank O. Lowden.

William B. McKinley, Republican senatorial nominee, and a Lowden man, was expected by Democrats to lose a number of ballots to W. A. Walker, because of the latter primary campaign.

LEWIS SMALL, Thompson Republican candidate (Continued on Page Two.)

## CONTINUE FIGHT ON RUSS FRONT

Riga Peace Protocol Is Ignored by Battling Armies.

LONDON, Oct. 19.—The armistice on the Russian Polish battle front was to have gone into effect at midnight last night, according to the peace protocol signed by the Russo-Polish envoys at Riga last week.

Latest advices from Moscow reported that the Poles have begun a new offensive over a front of sixty miles and that the Russians are retreating to new positions under the blows of the Polish troops.

The Russian communique which reported this fighting referred to military operations on Saturday and Sunday.

## BIG MEETING IS PLANNED FOR COX

Governor to Be in Indianapolis Oct. 28.

With the definite announcement that Governor James M. Cox will speak in Indianapolis Oct. 28 the Democratic and Republican forces were ranging for a monster meeting and demonstration.

The details of the presidential candidate's arrival have not been received and arrangements are being considered are therefore tentative.

The Democrats have rented Tomlinson Hall for the evening, but it is believed no attempt will be made to hold a meeting there, because only a small part of the crowd would be able to get in.

# COX STRESSES IRISH BENEFIT UNDER LEAGUE

Says Article 10 Clears Way for Independence of Island.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Governor Cox will make the final speech of the campaign on the night before election, Nov. 1, at the Waldorf-Astoria, as announced today at Democratic headquarters.

Following is his complete itinerary after his appearance in New York next Saturday.

Oct. 25—Charleston and Huntington, W. Va.

Oct. 26—Ashland, Ky., afternoon; Cincinnati, night.

Oct. 27—Dayton, Ohio.

Oct. 28—Indianapolis, Ind.

Oct. 29—Akron, Ohio.

Oct. 30—Chicago.

Nov. 1—Toledo, Ohio.

EN ROUTE WITH GOVERNOR COX, NASHUA, N. H., Oct. 19.—Senator Harding's constantly misunderstood attitude would seem to make him the "Happy Holligan" of American politics, scarcely fitted for the serious business of the presidency," Governor James M. Cox declared in a statement issued here today.

## "Harding Political 'Happy Holligan'"

COMMISSION RECEDES STEP

Coal Hauling Charges for Wagon Mines to Be Fixed at Conference.

The special coal and food commission receded another step from its original position today, when it announced that a change in hauling charges for operators of wagon mines will be made on a conference to be held as soon as Governor Goodrich returns from New York.

The meeting is the second which has been postponed, due to absence of the Governor from his office during the present coal hearings.

Meantime complaints from hundreds of citizens of the State and institutions of the State are being received by the Goodrich coal plan together with appeals for aid, which the commission is endeavoring to fill.

The hearing for wagon mine operators was held this morning behind closed doors in the office of Chairman Jesse Eschbach, who conducted the hearing, assisted by Ed Farmer, accountant.

COAL COMPANIES REPRESENTATIVES HEARD

Thomas Hyatt, of the Hyatt, Pool & Zick Company of Columbus; Thomas Gregory of the Gregory Coal Company of Terre Haute; and representatives of the Bemis Company of Terre Haute were heard.

The wagon mine operators agreed they could operate at a loss on the prices fixed by the commission under one provision, that the hauling price allowed them be increased from 50 cents per load to 75 cents per load.

A union driver who helps in their yards force them to pay high wages, stated a Terre Haute operator, thereby adding to the costs per ton of coal.

One operator said that he caused a wagon to be loaded and told his son to put it on the scales, but the union men wouldn't allow it, as one of the men being paid \$7.50 a day was hired for that purpose.

A few block mines, now under the wrong classification, will be re-classified in the meeting of the coal commission.

ONE COMPANY SELLS AT PRICE FIXED

The Bemis Coal Company has been selling coal to the Rader Company of this city at \$4.75 per ton.

The Rader Company is reported to be selling the coal at the price fixed by the commission.

A Terre Haute operator stated that railroad crews had the habit of "spotting" cars in the wrong place, and when asked to move the cars to the unloading track would always do so for a "kick."

In some cases the operator claimed it was done for cigars and money.

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# Fourflushes in City Court in Attempt to Protect Administration's Pets

The extent to which members of the present administration will go in their efforts to avoid prosecuting bootleggers, gamblers and other administration pets was fairly well defined yesterday when Ralph Span, deputy prosecutor, interrupted the City Court long enough to seek to annoy employees of The Times.

Mr. Span explained that he was acting under "instructions."

An alleged "forthwith subpoena" for the managing editor of The Times was placed in the hands of a lieutenant of police who was instructed to serve it.

Service was acknowledged by R. A. Butler, editor of The Times, who appeared before Judge Pritchard at 3 o'clock.

Mr. Span attempted to ask questions concerning publications in The Times of Monday regarding open violations of law in Indianapolis.

In response to a demand that he be confronted with the charges against him, if there were any, or the exact reason given for his being haled into the court under the apparent custody of an officer, assurances were given Mr. Butler by Judge Pritchard:

First—That no charges were pending against him and the alleged subpoena was not issued in any pending case.

Second—That he was under no legal obligation to answer any questions.

Thereupon Mr. Span, in a loud voice "explained" that the "invasion" had been issued to Mr. Butler to appear in police court "so that I might state in open court that I stand ready to file affidavits against any bootleggers, or any one else you care to file against."

The prosecutor then suggested that the "witness" meet him in his office when court adjourned.

Mr. Butler stated to the court that he presumed the prosecutor could prepare affidavits and the officers charged with enforcement of the law could swear to them without the assistance of citizens, but that if such was not possible, citizens could doubtless do so.

Later, in Mr. Span's office, the attention of the deputy prosecutor was called to the fact that there is a grand jury in session in Marion County empowered by the statutes to investigate law violations, that every person connected with the Times is subject to subpoena by that grand jury and stands ready to answer such questions as may be put to him touching law violations within his knowledge.

Mr. Span was also informed that neither he nor his chief, Mr. Adams, could bluff, scare or coerce anyone connected with the Times by such wholly illegal proceedings as had just been attempted.

The police officer who served the subpoena tendered the use of a police department automobile for the trip to Police Court, the Times editor was sworn when requested to take the witness stand and Mr. Span, who evidenced no surprise over his refusal to be questioned under these conditions admitted that he was only acting under instructions.

In the corridors of the police station it was said that Mr. Span had earlier in the day been called to the courthouse for a conference with Mr. Adams, prosecutor.

## Shoot Craps in Open on Courthouse Lawn

There was an open-air craps game on the lawn of the Marion County courthouse at 9:30 o'clock this morning.

Any person could stand in the rooms on the north side of the courthouse and look out of the windows and watch the craps shooters roll the dice.

Two men started the game and three others joined them.

Finally they all returned to the market stands and proceeded with their regular work, the "special" police of the courthouse not having molested them during the craps game and of course there were no members of the city police department closer to the scene than police headquarters, more than a block distant.

## MORALS OFFICER FACES CHARGE

Unbecoming Conduct Rests Against Sergeant C. J. Russell.

Charges of conduct unbecoming an officer have been filed against Sergeant Charles J. Russell, head of one of the police moral squads, minutes of the board of police officers disclosed today.

The charges were filed by Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Reese, 823 North Beville avenue.

Sergeant Russell will be given a hearing next Tuesday.

Chief of Police Jerry Kinney said that the sergeant left his squad into the wrong house on said night.

President A. L. Taggart being the only member present, there was no meeting of the board Tuesday.

The report of Building Commissioner Walter B. Stern for the week ending Oct. 18 showed that the city had received a license for a new building, with valuation of \$31,045 issued.

WOMAN MAKES LEAGUE APPEAL

Says Pact Means Freedom of All Women.

# CLARIS ADAMS NEGLECTS DUTY TO ELECTIONEER

Prosecutor Stumps for G. O. P. While Lawbreakers Flourish in Indianapolis.

JEWETT'S AWAY ALSO

Instead of remaining in Indianapolis and conducting a grand jury investigation into the illicit sale of whisky in this city, as is the restricted gambling in progress, Claris Adams, county prosecutor, today was out of the city campaigning for the Republicans.

When inquiry was made at his office it was announced that "Mr. Adams was out of the city on a lecture tour."

Yesterday afternoon the same answer was given.

No one would volunteer any information regarding a grand jury probe of the exposure made in the Times yesterday.

Judge James A. Collins of Criminal Court failed to instruct grand jury regarding its duty to make an investigation into the whisky traffic.

No statement could be obtained from Mayor Jewett for the reason that he could not be found.

He was not at his office yesterday and has not been there today.

Employees in his office said they did not know where he was and were asked their part to find him were unsuccessful.

EDITOR CALLED TO CITY COURT

With the exception of an attempt to annoy members of the staff of the Times through illegal processes of law, the Republican administration officials took no steps yesterday to bring to account the open violators of the law whose activities were exposed in the Times of Monday.

A conference was had in the courthouse shortly after noon, but the subject of the conference appears to have been how the officials could prevent further revelations of their neglect of duty, rather than how they could proceed to the enforcement of the law.

Following this conference an attempt was made through the City Court to compel a member of the Times staff to take over the duties of the officials and prosecute the law violators.

When this attempt failed the officials whose duty it is to enforce the laws of Indiana against bootlegging, gambling and prostitution were unmolested.

A statement that amounts to an admission of inability to enforce the laws of Indiana against bootlegging, gambling and prostitution was made yesterday by Jerry Kinney, chief of police, following the publication in the Times of incidents of law violation observed last week.

WHAT CHIEF OF POLICE HAS TO SAY

Mr. Kinney said:

The officers have been instructed to make arrests in all cases of law violations, regardless of whether the means giving special attention to cases of bootlegging, gambling and resorts. The captain has been instructed to have any complaint immediately investigated, and to have the violators arrested, and to have the means giving special attention to cases of bootlegging, gambling and resorts.

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