

SIX SCANDALS IN SIX MONTHS COMPRIZE RATIO

Public Disgraces of Adminis-
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HARVEY SPEECH LEADS

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WASHINGTON, Oct. 10.—Six scandals in six months of the Harding Administration have developed to full proportions, with enough more in embryo to maintain this ratio for the year. Specifically and briefly they are:

The *Harvey Scandal*—Permitting George Harvey, ambassador to Great Britain to retain his post, without reprimand or rebuke, following his public speech at the Pilgrims' Society dinner, London, May 19, insulting the living and the dead of America in the World War. This speech was condemned by practically every church conference since held and by those who had the best right to condemn it because their feelings and sensibilities were most strongly outraged—members of the American Legion Posts, and organizations of War Mothers.

The *Hughes Scandal*—Secretary of State Hughes, it should be said in all fairness, have since uttered sentiments to the contrary, but the fact remains that Ambassador Harvey has not been officially reprimanded and the general demand for his recall has been ignored.

NEWBERRY FACTS MATTER OF RECORD

The *Newberry Scandal*—The whitewashing of Senator Truman H. Newberry of Michigan by a unanimous vote of the Republican members of the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections.

The facts in the Newberry scandal are a matter of court and legislative record. It is known that a sum of nearly \$200,000 was raised and spent in Newberry's behalf in the Senatorial Primary election of 1918; that the financial records of the campaign were destroyed or mysteriously disappeared. Evidence to show Senator Newberry had knowledge of the financial campaign in his behalf was sufficient to bring about his conviction in a Federal Court, but the conviction was nullified by a 5 to 4 decision of the Supreme Court of the United States on the ground that the Federal Corrupt Practices Act did not apply to Senatorial elections, but this decision did not touch the merits of the case.

Despite all of the evidence in the trial and at a subsequent Senate Committee inquiry, the entire Republican majority in the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections voted unanimously to "exonerate" Senator Newberry and recommended that he retain his seat; Dillingham, Spencer, Wadsworth, Watson (Ind.), Edge, Ernst, Shortridge and Bursum, all members of the Old Guard; Senator Keay, of the Progressive party, recused from this committee when the present Senate was organized. The Democratic members of the committee voted to declare the seat vacant.

The Newberry case will be finally determined by the Senate as a whole.

LEGAL ADVISERS HOLD ENORMOUS CLAIMS

The *Lasker Shipping Board Scandal*—The projected sale of 205 wooden ships costing \$200,000 to \$300,000 each, to the shipping industry bidder. (This bid following wide adverse publicity, has just been rejected.) Also the employment of members of the legal staff of the board at salaries as high as \$25,000, some of them recommended by firms holding claims against the shipping board.

The employment of these attorneys at such salaries, while the staff of the attorney general is available and suitable, has been severely criticized. The practice of economy, has been severely criticized both by Democratic and Republican Senators, but the most scandalous phase of this matter is in the revelations that prominent law firms of New York which had been asked by Chairman Lasker and Chief Counsel Schlesinger to recommend appropriate legislation to meet the protest of economy, has been severely criticized both by Democratic and Republican Senators.

The *Juggling Joker*—The "Juggling Joker" was in the second deficiency bill, signed June 16, as follows:

"The statement of appropriations, etc., for the third session of the Sixty-Sixth Congress shall be made in the amount of \$7,000,000 for the second deficiency appropriation made during the first session of the Sixty-Seventh Congress, and all other appropriations made at the latter session shall be compiled and published with the statement of appropriations for the second session of the Sixty-Seventh Congress.

The *Thoresen Scandal*—The removal from office by presidential order of Surveyor General L. C. Thoresen of Utah whose term had not expired and against whom no charges were made, for the avowed sole reason of giving the office to a Republican.

President Harding's first letter to Surveyor General Thoresen, suggesting his resignation, said: "I need not tell you of the current demand for the recognition of aspirants in our own party for consideration in the matter of patronage."

Mr. Thoresen's reply that he was the first and only person requested to resign without being accused of neglect of duty was followed by the action of the Senate and the resignation of one E. D. Sorenson, thus serving notice that the Administration has instituted the spol system, and will enforce it with the "strong arm" when necessary.

FEDERAL PATRONAGE TRAFFICKING CHARGE

The *Overall Scandal*—The alleged receipt of money from applicants for office by John W. Overall, Republican national committeeman for Tennessee, acting as a job dispensing "referee" who is quoted as an authority in the press as saying his collections were turned over to the Republican national committee to apply on its campaign deficit.

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MCKELLAR'S EFFORTS MEET NO RESPONSE

Senator McKellar introduced the following resolution: "Resolved, that the Postoffice Committee of the Senate be and is hereby authorized and instructed to investigate the alleged violations of the civil service act and the alleged selling of Federal offices in Tennessee by John W. Overall, Republican national committeeman, and alleged referee in postmasterships in the state."

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QUEEN MARIE OF ROUMANIA TO VISIT U. S.



Her Majesty, Queen Marie of Roumania, from her latest photograph to be received in this country, taken by the court photographer at Bucharest. This is an intimate view of Her Majesty, taken in her boudoir, where she is seen perusing a favorite volume of literature. The Queen is noted in Europe for her literary penchant. She is the author of many delightful poems and prose works, including fairy stories that have had a world-wide vogue. The Queen expects to arrive in America early in December, unless unforeseen political conditions will prevent.

ROOMS

Indiana State Teachers' Association, Oct. 20, 21, 22.

Street and number.....

Telephone number.....

Name.....

Number of Rooms..... Number of persons accommodated.....

Price per night for each person?.....

Car line..... Get off at.....

Furnish Breakfast?..... Price per person?.....

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throughout North America. He is one of the few Americans to be elected a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society. While in the city he will speak at the luncheon of the Kiwanis Club and



'Y PLANS PUBLIC SPEAKING CLASS

Founder of Course to Speak
Wednesday Night.

Dale Carnegie, prominent teacher of public speaking in America, will address the opening session of the public speaking class at the Young Men's Christian Association, Wednesday evening, Oct. 12, on "Power and Confidence Through Public Speaking." For eight years Mr. Carnegie's courses were the leading features in the Y. M. C. A. schools of New York, Brooklyn, Baltimore and Philadelphia. He conducted classes for the New York Rotary Club, New York Advertising Club, New York Chamber of Commerce, Institute of Banking, the Business Science Club and Engineers' Club of Philadelphia.

He has just returned from a fifteen-months' trip through England, Wales, and Scotland, speaking on Allenby's Campaign in Palestine and Lawrence's Campaign in Arabia. Although America was the center of his activities, these campaigns, Carnegie's lectures on the broken records in London, more than a million people paying admission fees to hear it.

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