

PARLEY FAILS AND FACTIONS SHARPEN AXES

Shank and Jewett Forces Prepare for Fight to Finish.

CONFERENCE IS BRIEF

Followers of Mayor Samuel Lewis Shank and those of former Mayor Charles W. Jewett and County Treasurer Ralph A. Lemieux understood fully today that there will be an open fight for the control of the Marion County and Seventh district Republican organization following failure of leaders of the two factions finally to reach an agreement at a conference in the office of City Controller Joseph J. Dunn Sunday.

While there are a number of things upon which the two factions can not agree, the signal for cessation of all negotiations was failure of the Jewett-Lemieux representatives to reply to the demands of the Shank leaders that the Shank wing agree with E. Neill for district chairman. The Jewett-Lemieux wing wishes City Chairman Irving W. Lemieux to be elected district chairman and was understood to have been willing to support William H. Armitage of the Shank group for county mitigation in return for Shank support of Lemieux.

The conference was brief. It being generally understood before it began there was no common ground upon which the contenders could meet.

Other points between the factions, which the failure of the conference served to accentuate, are the number of people who wish to succeed the Shank. Mr. Martin or Justice behind Clarence R. Martin or Justice Arthur R. Robinson for the Republican nomination for Representative in Congress of the Seventh District, while the Jewett-Lemieux wing wishes Merrill Moores to retain his post and the Shank leaders are agreed upon support of Albert J. Beveridge for the Republican nomination for United States Senator, while the Jewett-Lemieux leaders are pledged to Senator Harry S. New.

It is understood Mr. Martin and Judge Robinson have agreed only one of them shall be a candidate. Whichever one is agreed upon will have Shank backing, it is said.

Those at the conference were Mayor Shank, Mr. Hogan, Corporation Commissioner Greenberg, James E. Armitage, member of the board of public safety and William H. Armitage of the Shank camp and Mr. Lemieux, Mr. Jewett and Postmaster Robert H. Bryson of the other faction.

REPUBLICAN CONTROL OF SENATE SURE

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Nicholas Longworth, talented daughter of the late Theodore Roosevelt, who has no fondness for the Senate, is credited with a desire to have for her husband a seat in the upper house. It is doubtful if Mr. Longworth could win the nomination. He has a pleasant personality, but around the Senate lobbies the view prevails his wife will have to carry the name of Longworth to the Senate roll call, if it is to reach that sacred scroll.

Senator Harry S. New, Republican Adminstration stalwart, intimate friend and adviser to the President, has gone to Indiana to mix things with every Harding for in all Hoosierdom. None could do that with greater ability. The re-election of Mr. New constitutes an acid test of Administration popularity. He will have fights. He will meet former Senator Albert J. Beveridge in the primaries. Successor to Senator New in the Senate, Senator Newberry would be most likely, former Vice-President Thomas Riley Marshall or former Governor Samuel M. Ralston. The latter would be the probable choice of Thomas Taggart, should the latter have had enough of futile campaigning for the Senate.

NEW VALUABLE TO ADMINISTRATION.

Mr. New is one of the men the Adminstration needs in Washington. He

Says Church Should Stand at Entrance of Marriage Eden

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—The guardian angel of the church should stand at the entrance of the marriage Eden, instead of the exit.

This was the view of the Rev. John Thompson, pastor of the First Methodist Church, who rapped the church's stand on divorce.

"Too many prohibitions have been placed by the church on divorce," he said. "The church, instead, should give instructions on marriage."

He said two persons should not be forced to remain married after all affection had ceased.

has been invaluable in fostering Republican principles. He has a vast amount of work in the Senate, far more than he is given credit for having. His contributions to the policies of the Senate Committee on Military Affairs, during the war were of the highest importance. They were not, however, alongside those of Senators Wadsworth and Chamberlain. His service on the Foreign Relations Committee was equally valuable. He kept his party from running off on dangerous tangents. His work in the Senate has been constructive throughout. In his unassuming manner he has done big things for which less gifted men have been pleased to assume a modest responsibility.

In the initial issue is framed in both parties around men in the highest personal integrity. Neither party could have chosen more representative figures had they combed the entire Senate. The case of Mr. New affords a far more interesting text than that of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge, who is up in Massachusetts this year. That of Mr. Pomeroy is even, than that of Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock in Nebraska.

"Dope" in Washington is Mr. Pomeroy's best chance of winning than has Mr. New. Unbiased observers believe both might come through, but of the two the Indiana Senator has by far the harder battle ahead. Beveridge is a talented campaigner. He has a certain element in Indiana with him already, it is said. That is an important German vote. His campaign thus far has been managed very cleverly.

McCUMBER IS LIKELY TO LOSE.

Those personalities afford promise of lay interest in the campaign. There are nice situations in other States. The fight on Senator Porter McCumber of North Dakota, new chairman of the all-powerful Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce, is the chief one. He is of the highest importance and, what is more, therefore, the widespread interest in Washington is he is to lose his seat in the Senate. Former Senator Asa J. Griggs is mentioned most prominently as his chief opponent.

There is, too, the Nebraska situation, revolving around Mr. Hitchcock, a Democrat, where both parties are lucky to split along lines of conservatism and progressivism. In New Mexico, where the hope prevails the popular "Al" Smith may consent to run against Senator William M. Calder. There is a kindly feeling for a man who could run 1,000,000 votes ahead of the Harding ticket of his party and still lose the government by a little less than 75,000. Senator Calder has made no impression, in Mr. Townsend's own country, is mentioned most prominently as his chief opponent.

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