

NEGRO GRAFT IN G. O. P. MAY SWING SOUTH

Factional Fight to Rule
Republicans Boosts
Smith's Chances.

This is the sixth and last of a series of editorials with a political situation in the South brought about by the candidacy of Governor Smith.

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The participation of Negro leaders in southern Republican organizations, some of whom now are under fire for their conduct, may be the decisive factor in keeping the Solid South solid for Governor Alfred E. Smith, according to reports gathered by United Press.

Democrats, at least, are planning to make the most of recent revelations in several States, while Republican organizations in some cases are split because of recognition by national leaders of the Negro wing.

Democratic campaigners and Democratic editors are explaining that the recent senatorial and Justice Department investigations in Georgia and Mississippi showed that white postmasters and postmistresses have had to pay tribute to Negro Republican leaders to hold their jobs.

G. O. P. Negro Ousted

No action followed the Senate committee's investigation in Georgia, Congress being in adjournment. However, the Justice department investigation in Mississippi, instigated by Mrs. Mabel Walker Willebrandt, assistant attorney general and Hoover lieutenant, resulted in the indictment of Perry Howard, Mississippi Negro national committeeman, along with seven others, and Howard's dismissal as an assistant attorney general in Washington.

Hoover is given credit for ousting Howard, and feeling is reported some better toward the Republican candidates since the Negro was indicted for misusing Federal patronage and dismissed from the Justice department.

Some political significance is attached to the fact that the trial of Howard and the others has been delayed until after the November election, but the case is making the usual court speed.

There are prospects of investigations later by the Senate committee, perhaps not until after the election, in Tennessee and South Carolina. The committee, it is known, has been informed of charges of alleged bartering of Federal offices in both these States.

This brings four States into the domain of alleged patronage abuse by Negro Republicans, and the charges raised there will be repeated in every other southern State by Democratic campaign orators.

Beyond these developments, tending to discredit Negro Republican leaders, there are actual splits in the Republican organizations in two southern States, Tennessee and Mississippi, which will weaken the Republican campaign.

Negroes, White Battle

Negro and white factions are battling now for control of the Republican organization in Tennessee. R. R. (Bob) Church, leader of the Negro organization, has been recognized by the national organization. He led a successful fight a Kansas City to have his delegates seated over those of the "illy white" group.

Should the fight between Church and the white faction continue until the election, chances of Republican success would be greatly lessened. One Tennessee political observer reports that it appeared certain Hoover would carry Tennessee until Church and his delegation were seated at Kansas City. Church has been a power in Republican politics, not only in Tennessee but throughout the South.

How Tennessee goes in November may depend on what, if anything, happens to Church between now and that time, according to United Press reports from Tennessee.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported to the police as stolen:

Cecil Theobold, 3635 Graceland Ave., Essex sedan, 38-465, from St. Clair and Meridian Sts.

R. D. Bland, 1459 Fletcher Ave., Ford roadster, from Fountain Square.

W. D. Butler, R. R. A. box 197, Ford touring, 33-163, from Washington St. and Senate Ave.

NOT ONE HURRICANE

No Tropical Storms Reported; First Time in 2 Weeks.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—For the first time in almost two weeks the weather bureau today had no hurricane to worry about.

"There is no evidence of a tropical disturbance this morning, its daily bulletin said. 'Vessels are requested especially to send observations of unusual conditions over the southwestern Gulf of Mexico."

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SCOOTER DERBY FINALS SET TO START AUG. 27

Races Will Be Run in Five
Districts: First Rounds
End Today.

Final arrangements were completed today for holding the semi-finals of The Times-Capitol Dairy Scooter Derby the week of Aug. 27 by The Times and the city recreation department.

Five districts have been selected and playgrounds will be assigned to districts in The Times Monday. District No. 1 races will be held Monday, Aug. 27, and each district will race on the four succeeding days.

PICK THREE WINNERS

The three winners in the preliminary scooter races in the three classes will be entered in the semi-finals. The fifteen children will race 200 yards. Three winners will be selected in each class for the finals.

The \$500 cash prizes will be distributed to winners in the semi-finals and finals.

Winners in the Friday races were:

RINGGOLD

Junior Boys—Vincent Romana, 1125 Fletcher Ave.; William Tedrowe, 1500 East Ave.; and Richard Hubert, 1500 Ringgold Ave.

Senior Boys—Kenneth Castner, 718 West St.; Robert Ridder, 659 Main Ave.; and Robert Browning, 1319 Ringgold Ave.

Girls—Virginia Roberts, 1125 Shelby St.; Irene Kern, 1027 Orange St., and Ilene Fahy, 1044 Woodlawn Ave.

GREER

Junior Boys—Wayne Bissell, 1821 Wilkins; Robert Sampson, 1102 S. Richland St.; and Robert Carter, 728 Mount St.

Senior Boys—Frank Verdash, 1905 Jones St., and Kenneth Oliver, 1513 S. Belmont St.

Girls—Virginia Wineman, 1442 S. Belmont St.; Louise Green, 1509 Wilkins St., and Mary Schaffner, 1107 Richland St.

Final preliminary races will be held today at Spades, Willard, and Schools No. 20, No. 28 and No. 44.

MAYOR FACES PRISON, FINES

Ordered Into Court for De-fying Council.

By United Press

NEWBURYPORT, Mass., Aug. 17.—"Bossy" Gillis, Newburyport's redoubtable mayor, today faced the possibility of jail sentences totaling ninety days and fines aggregating \$340 for operating his gasoline filling station without his city council's permission.

He has been summoned to appear next Wednesday on charges of illegally storing inflammables, unlawfully digging up sidewalks and unlawfully changing the grade of a city thoroughfare.

All these charges and several more scheduled to be made were based on "Bossy's" action in establishing a filling station earlier this week without awaiting an official permit.

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Clinton County, increase of 10 per cent on the assessed value of all lands in the entire county outside of cities and towns.

Elkhart County, increase of 10 per cent on the assessed value of all lands in incorporated cities and towns within the county.

Howard County, increase of 3 per cent on the assessed value of all lands in the entire county outside of cities and towns.

The nine counties accepting the boards' equalization recommendations are: Bartholomew, Carroll, Franklin, Montgomery, Putnam, Ripley, Rush, Warrick and Wells. Counties accepting the boards' order in a modified manner are: Boone, Fountain, Lake, Madison, Noble and Tippecanoe.

Opposes New Trial

After the case was heard and sentence passed, it was reopened on Gilliom's motion to increase the sentence, which was not done.

Gilliom's motion to strike the new trial motion from the files was based on the allegation that it was merely a dilatory move. In a defense motion in the answer filed today, the charge is made that Gilliom having the case reopened was dilatory and not the present motion.

The whole proceeding is unauthorized, illegal, unconstitutional and contrary to American ideals of freedom of speech and press," today's answer sets forth.

Claims Testimony Illegal

It asserts that the admission of testimony by depositions from Senator James E. Watson and Henry Lane Wilson over the defendant's protest was illegal.

The Governor has the right to pardon in contempt cases and thus contempt is a crime against the public in another point made and the charge set out that since such is the case the defense had a right to witnesses and cross-examination.

Five points are set forth as being those whereby Shumaker has been deprived of his constitutional rights as an American citizen.

TAX EQUALIZED IN 5 COUNTIES

State Board Issues Orders
for Changes.

Final equalization orders for five counties were issued today by the State tax board which at the same time announced that nine counties had accepted the board's recommendation previously made regarding equalization and that six counties had accepted in a modified manner.

Shumaker has been held in contempt by the court and sentenced to pay a \$250 fine and spend sixty days at Indiana State Farm. The case was brought by Gilliom, who had Shumaker cited for calling the court "wet" in his report to the directors of the league in 1926.

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CABINET AID NAMED

J. R. Clark, Utah Lawyer,
Is Kellogg Assistant.

By United Press

WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—J. Reuben Clark, noted international lawyer of Salt Lake City, Utah, has been appointed Under Secretary of State, it officially was announced by the State Department today. He succeeds Robert E. Olds, who resigned June 30 to take a position with Sullivan & Cromwell, New York firm of international lawyers.

Female Villain

Lillian Tashman has been signed to serve as the "feminine menace" in "Beau Daniels" next picture, "Take Me Home."

Detectives do not look kindly on the desire of Louis E. Miksell, Linden Hotel, to be returned to California. Miksell has admitted he was sentenced twice at Los Angeles to prison terms for passing bad checks and said he is wanted there by a parole officer for breaking parole.

But detectives declared they had enough evidence of fraudulent check operations here. He was arrested attempting to persuade Isadore Hessell, 48 W. Ohio St. to cash a forged \$350 check.

MACHINE IS SALESMAN

Vends Cigarettes and Even Says
Thank You.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—"Thank you" says a cigarette vending machine as it delivers a package of cigarettes to the purchaser in a smoke emporium here. If the lever is set for "cork tips" it says "cork tips protects the lips." With one of the popular brands it says: "They're toasted."

Lillian Genth to Shun Nudes; Action Baffles World of Art



Trip Abroad Breaks Jinx of Modest Alma Rubens



Beautiful Film Star Will Return to Screen Again.

By DAN THOMAS

NEA Service Writer

HOLLYWOOD, Cal., Aug. 18.—Alma Rubens—the girl who can't sell herself.

For that I don't mean that Miss Rubens, or Mrs. Ricardo Cortez, as she is known in private circles, has a "for sale" sign hanging around her neck. In fact, the only thing that she has to sell is her personality. Half the battle that one must wage in screenland is selling one's personality. That is the thing for which producers pay thousands of dollars every week.

Consequently, Alma must be classed as about 50 per cent efficient. She can easily hold her own in any kind of competition when it comes to acting. But she can't convince anyone of her beauty.

Miss Rubens has tasted the very cream of success, and were she a good saleswoman, she probably would still be at the peak of her career. But no matter how good an actress one may be, continual "selling" is necessary in this village of make-believe.

It would be much better for Alma Rubens if she could walk into a producer's office and tell him convincingly how good she is. But it is not in her makeup to do that—she is too retiring. However, her recent European trip had something of the same effect. Hollywood likes anything with a foreign flavor. So when Alma returned from Europe she was sought out by the golf-playing executives.

And now after months of absence from the silver sheet, she is returning to the celluloid realm.

G. O. P. LEADER BURIED

Services Held for George Morris,
New York Chairman

By United Press

NEW YORK, Aug. 17.—Funeral services were held in the funeral parlors of the National Casket Company today for George K. Morris, chairman of the Republican State committee, who died suddenly here Wednesday. A simple service was conducted by the Rev. Gilbert Ritter, after which the body was removed to Amsterdam, N. Y., where a private funeral will be held.

Cast as Mother

Ann Bodil Rosing has been cast as Clara Bow's mother in that star's new picture, "The Fleet's In," now being made.

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