

If Candidate Should Die—

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 (U. P.).—The Democratic and Republican national committees would name presidential or vice presidential candidates if either post on the party tickets were vacated by death, resignation or for other reasons between the time of their nomination and the meeting of the electoral college, officials said yesterday.

Electoral votes are counted on Jan. 3 following each presidential election to choose the President-elect and the vice President-elect. If a vacancy should occur in the office of President-elect between the counting of the electoral votes and

the date of inauguration, the vice president-elect would become President.

It was recalled here that the G. O. P. national committee acted in such a situation when Vice President James S. Sherman died in 1912 after serving all but a few days of his first term.

The committee named Nicholas Murray Butler of New York as running mate to the late President William Howard Taft. When the presidential electoral votes were counted in January, Woodrow Wilson won an overwhelming majority, while Taft and Butler received only eight electoral votes each.

2 UNION ELECTIONS ORDERED IN STATE

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22 (U. P.).—The national labor relations board has ordered elections to determine representation for collective bargaining purposes among employees of the S. G. Taylor Chain Co., Hammond, Ind., and the National Farm Machinery Co-Operative, Inc., Shelbyville, Ind.

The elections were ordered held within 30 days after petitions were filed by the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (A. F. of L.) of Hammond and the International Association of Machinists (A. F. of L.) of Shelbyville, the NLRB said.

Find Bloodclotting Substitute

By Jeane Service

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—Blood-clotting almost instantly results from the use of a powerful natural substance, a great new life-saver for peacetime surgery as well as in war wounds, developed in the laboratories of Parke, Davis & Co., Detroit, by Drs. Walter H. Seeger, Eugene C. Loomis and J. M. Vandenberg.

Nature's own blood-clotting mechanism is duplicated in the new process reported here today at the meeting of the American Chemical society.

It takes the two main materials from animal blood and from meat juices, thus making unlimited pro-

duction possible. The blood-clotting substance is prothrombin, found in human blood. It has now been isolated in virtually pure form by these three men after six years of effort.

Prothrombin by itself, they said, is entirely inert or inactive just as it is in the normal circulating blood stream. But when living tissue is injured, it releases an activator that sets off nature's blood-clotting mechanism.

The investigators extracted this activator from meat juices and made animal-blood prothrombin active by combining it with the precise amount of calcium ion and with the precise amount of activator.

OLIVER EQUIPMENT TO REGISTER STOCK

NEW YORK, Sept. 22 (U. P.).—Oliver Farm Equipment Co. soon will register with the Securities and Exchange commission a block of 82,000 shares of \$100 par value cumulative convertible preferred stock, according to Alva W. Phelps, president.

The registration covers the offering of the stock to common stockholders. Subscription warrants are expected to be offered on Oct. 13 and will expire Oct. 25, subject to approval of the offering at a meeting of stockholders Oct. 30. When the offer is made, the price, dividend and initial conversion rate of the preferred will be announced.

New Flaps Speed Plane Dive

BURBANK, Cal., Sept. 22 (U. P.).—Steel wing flaps smaller than the top of a card table now enable Lockheed P-38 Lightning fighter planes to dive almost as fast as the speed of sound, Lockheed officials revealed today with army permission.

The hinged flaps operate by a button on the pilot's control wheel and counteract the phenomenon of "pulling up"—the airman's term for compressibility of atmosphere in front of an airplane wing.

Without the flaps, Lockheed said, unpredictable atmospheric action set in as the plane approached the speed of sound and often jerked the ship out of control much as a puppy shakes a shoe.

The new flaps will enable the Lightning to power dive 35,000 feet and level off within 3000 to 5000 feet. With the possible exception of the German rocket fighter, the P-38s can now out-dive any fighter in the air because the pilot has full control at speeds that would tear apart other ships.

Lockheed said a second ranking of the device and a third is undergoing tests. P-38s in service are being equipped with the flaps as fast as possible.

STUDY MEDICAL SCIENCES
WASHINGTON.—An academy of medical sciences has been set up in Soviet Russia to promote medical treatment throughout the nation.

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