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## DEMOCRATS WOULD MAKE REPUBLICANS TAKE INITIATIVE

See Danger Ahead If They  
Father Move for Repeal of  
The County Local Option  
Law.

WHY MARSHALL VISITS  
STATE INSTITUTIONS

Will Be in Position to Ignore  
Governor Hanly's Visita-  
tion Committee's Final Re-  
port.

BY SEARLES.

(Palladium's Special State Correspondent.)

Indianapolis, Dec. 5.—There is a movement on foot among democratic members of the legislature to compel the republicans to take the initiative in bringing about a repeal of the county local option law, if it is repealed at all. Some of the democratic members of the house are behind the scheme. They argue that the republicans are responsible for the enactment of the county option law, and that the republicans must accept the responsibility for its repeal. They point out that the law has proved unpopular as a political measure and ought to be wiped off the statute books. It is as distasteful to the republicans as to the democrats they say.

But these democrats say they do not propose to run the risk of injuring their party with the people by trying to bring about the repeal themselves. If they introduce a bill in the house for the repeal of the law, they say it will pass that body without a doubt. But it might have tough sledding in the senate, in which the republicans will have a majority. If the democratic house passes the repeal bill, they say, and it goes to the senate afterward, the republican senators can vote against it and prevent its becoming a law. Then the republicans would be in a position, they say, to go before the people and claim the credit for saving the county option law from repeal and thus make the republican party more solid than ever with the temperance forces of the state, while the democrats would have to stand the shame of having attempted to get rid of the law.

Some influential democratic representatives are behind this scheme and they will work to carry it through, but it is doubtful if they will be able to do so. The democratic party is pledged to a different kind of local option and it is believed that a majority of the members will demand that the platform pledges be carried out to the letter along that line. If they depend on the republicans to start the machinery to repeal the law they will wait in vain. That much is certain, for the republicans will not do anything of the kind. But the scheme of these democrats is likely to cause a serious situation with reference to the local option law.

Secures Residence.

Governor-elect Thomas R. Marshall has leased a residence at 1219 North Pennsylvania street in which to live during his term in office. It is a large frame house in one of the fashionable sections of the city and will cost him \$65 a month. He declares that he will pay his rental himself out of his salary and not out of the fund appropriated by the state for that purpose. In fact, there is some talk to the effect that he may seek to bring a suit against Governor Hanly to recover from him the money he has used in paying rent for a house. The legislature passed an act appropriating \$1,800 a year to pay rent for a house for the governor of the state and Hanly has been using it. Marshall claims, so it is said, that the constitution prohibits the governor from receiving any compensation except his salary and on this grounds, he says, the \$1,800 appropriation is illegal. But it is hardly likely that Marshall will bring a suit of that kind, at least most people think so.

Object of Visits.

Considerable speculation has been indulged as to the reason why Marshall is making a round of the state institutions prior to taking office as governor, but a story leaked out here today that may throw some light on the matter. A few weeks ago Governor Hanly appointed a committee of members of the legislature to visit all state institutions in the state and ascertain their needs. This committee

## OIL TANK EXPLODES

Standard Oil Company Loses  
Seventy Thousand Gal-  
lons Today.

PANIC IN BAYONNE, N. J.

New York, Dec. 5.—The mammoth oil tank belonging to the Standard Oil company's plant near Bayonne, N. J., exploded with terrific roar this morning, causing a panic among the citizens. 70,000 gallons of oil were consumed by the fire which followed. No body was injured.

is to make a report to the legislature with recommendations as to the amount of money that ought to be appropriated for their use. This has been the practice for years and no one before has ever raised a question as to its propriety or justice. But the question has been raised at last. Governor Hanly appointed on that committee this year Senator Horace Hanna, of Hendricks county, Representative Gus Greiger, of Laporte county, and Representative Henry P. Sicks, of Boone county. When Hanna was a member of the house two years ago he was one of the governor's most loyal supporters in everything he wanted the legislature to do. Sicks was one of the democratic members of the house that voted for the passage of the county local option bill, which the governor supported. Greiger was opposed to the county option bill but came around and voted for it because he wished to be loyal to his party.

The charge is made now that it is practically a unanimous republican committee and that it will do what Governor Hanly wishes done. The story now is that the democratic portion of the legislature will not pay any attention to what this committee does and that the house will send its committee on benevolent institutions around over the state to visit the institutions and make a report of its own. He story also says that Marshall is making his tour to get information of his own, so that he, too, may be able to ignore the visitation committee's report if he takes a notion to do so.

This is a new method of taking care of the public institutions, and if the democrats undertake to carry it into effect they may find the republicans in the senate will block anything they propose in the way of appropriations. It is known that Marshall is calling on all the institutions and gathering estimates on running expenses and getting acquainted with conditions, and this fact gives some color to the story.

W. S. Wells, representative from Allen county, one of the numerous democratic candidates for speaker of the house, is in the city. He says he is making a hot campaign for the place and believes he will win. "If I do not win," he said, "I will at least be able to call more members by their first name than any other candidate." And this is probably true, for he is going all over the state, meeting the legislators and getting acquainted with them.

B. F. Shively, of South Bend, candidate for United States senator, was in the city yesterday. He says he is very well satisfied with the situation in the fight for senator. But there is not much doing in the senatorial race just now. All the candidates are waiting for the "get together" conference on December 15.

Second Indiana Red Cross  
Consignment Has Not  
Yet Arrived.

DELAY AT WASHINGTON.

The second consignment of Red Cross stamps did not arrive here yesterday as was expected, but it is thought that they will arrive the first of the week, in which case they will at once be placed on sale for the merchants and general public at the three local newspaper offices and at the G. H. Knollenberg store, the Price & Sons' confectionary and the Ross drug store.

There has been an exceptionally heavy demand for these stamps in Richmond but great difficulty has been experienced in securing them. The Indiana Red Cross society, which has its headquarters in Indianapolis, has experienced much trouble in securing stamps from the national headquarters at Washington, owing to the slow process of printing them, but as soon as Indiana's share arrives Richmond will be one of the first cities to secure them.

THE WEATHER PROPHECY.

INDIANA—Fair Saturday night; Sunday increasing cloudiness; variable winds.

OHIO—Part cloudy Saturday night and Sunday, colder in east portion, Saturday night; variable winds.

## \$300,000 NEEDED FOR HOSPITAL

Tuberculosis Commission for  
Erection of Institution  
Next Year.

WOULD RUSH THE WORK.

THOUGHT 150 PERSONS AFFLICTED WITH THE WHITE PLAGUE CAN BE CURED FOR BY JANUARY 1, 1910.

Special Correspondence.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 5.—The legislature, when it opens its session early in January, will be asked almost at once to make an appropriation for the erection of a state tuberculosis hospital. The bill will be offered by the commission that has in charge the task of finding a location for such an institution. It will probably carry an emergency clause so that in case it passes and becomes a law, the commission will be able to begin the erection of the institution at once.

"If we can get an early appropriation," said Isaac Strouse, of Rockville, a member of the commission, "we can have the hospital finished and ready to receive 150 patients by January, 1910. Of course, all of the work could not be completed by that time, but we could have it ready for patients. If an appropriation is made the commission believes it should be granted early and not subjected to the delay which the general appropriation bill always encounters. An appropriation of \$300,000 will be requested. The commission met in this city and presented the plans to the legislative visitation committee. Mr. Strouse declares that the work now being done by the Red Cross society in distributing Red Cross stamps to be used at Christmas time will, in his belief, aid in creating sentiment in favor of an appropriation for the hospital. The proceeds from the sale of the Red Cross stamps are to be used in fighting tuberculosis. Mr. Strouse believes this move on the part of the Red Cross society will spread all over the state and will set the people generally to thinking about the question of fighting tuberculosis.

## ROW PATCHED UP

Not Probable Pennsylvania  
Engineers Will Now  
Strike.

RECOMMENDATIONS MADE.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—A successful issue of the conference between representatives of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and of the Pennsylvania railroad lines west of Pittsburgh, and the board of mediation, consisting of Chairman Knapp of the interstate commerce commission, and Charles P. Neill, commissioner of labor, was reached last night.

An agreement proposed by the board of mediation was accepted by General Manager G. L. Peck of the Pennsylvania lines, and by the board of assessment of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

When the controversy was submitted to the board of mediation it contained serious elements. The engineers on the Pennsylvania lines west of Pittsburgh had voted to strike unless they could obtain what they deemed proper redress of their grievances.

Some of their requests, it appears, had been handled according to the rule of the company and some had not. The board of mediation recommended that the committee eliminate from their petition to the general manager requests that had not been submitted to the division and general superintendents.

On the other hand, the board recommended that the general manager receive the committee at once, and take up for settlement those matters that have been passed on by the subordinate officers.

The board, to lessen further friction, recommended that a reasonable time be fixed within which any appeal to the general manager must be taken, and a reasonable time within which subordinate officers shall pass upon requests presented to them.

## FIREMAN INJURED AS RUN IS STARTED

Charles Sinex Knocked From  
Step.

As the hook and ladder truck was leaving the city building last night in answer to an alarm of fire, Charles Sinex, assistant chief, was knocked from his step. His left leg was pinned severely by one of the rear wheels. Sinex believes the wheel passed squarely over the limb. He was removed to his home on South Ninth street in the city ambulance. His injury is not serious, although he is required to be absent from duty. The limb was bruised painfully.

## MARCHES INTO CITY

General Simon and Revolutionary Forces Now at  
Port au Prince.

GETS SPLENDID RECEPTION

Port au Prince, Dec. 5.—General Simon and his revolutionary army of about eight thousand men, marched into the city at nine o'clock this morning. The general was given a splendid reception and there was no disorder.

## INSANE AND DEAD VOTED IN PRIMARY

Chicago's First Election of the  
Kind Was Hotbed of  
Rottenness.

THE GRAND JURY REPORTS

DOUBTS ARE EXPRESSED THAT  
THERE HAS BEEN AN HONEST  
ELECTION IN THE CITY IN  
MANY YEARS.

Chicago, Dec. 5.—The ballots of men long residents of other cities, the ballots of temporary absentees, the ballots of the insane and even of the dead were cast in the primary election of last August, in Chicago.

"Repeaters" voted in platoons with the connivance of willing election judges and clerks of election, and fraud, rampant to an extent hitherto never known in this city, rendered the resultant party nominations morally worthless.

These and other startling allegations were made in the report of the special grand jury, which, after several weeks of delving into charges growing out of Chicago's first primary, and returning 81 indictments against two score or more politicians and others, adjourned.

The investigation, owing to physical limitations, merely scratched the surface of the situation, according to the report, and doubt is expressed that there has been an honest city or general election in Chicago in years.

The findings of the inquisitorial body characterize the primary election as a disgrace to the city. Voting machines are urged as a step in a remedial direction and a wider application of civil service.

It is stated that while the jury cannot affirm that no frauds were perpetrated by Civil Service employees, it is significant that the inquisitors found none such.

On the other hand the report remarks the fact that although the police were in the vicinity of every polling booth, the investigators received no aid from them in seeking to fasten responsibility for the conditions which prevailed.

The report in closing recommends a law making compulsory the services of voters as judges and clerks of elections, that general election inspectors provided by law shall be men of standing with police authority, an improved method of identifying voters, and the denial of every candidate being present in a polling place except while casting his own vote.

## SHALL SHAFER ESTATE BE DIVIDED?

Settlement Delayed by Failure to File Complaint.

The complaint in a case in the Wayne circuit court that was filed November 16 did not come to the hands of the county clerk until today. The complaint is in the case of Margaret A. Smith, Theodore Shafer et al. vs. Adam H. Shafer. After being stamped "filed" the complaint was not recorded on the clerk's file book, but taken to Judge Fox for consideration. It was discovered today and started in the proper channels for procedure.

Suit is instituted against John Shafer as executor of the last will of John Shafer. The will, however, was joint and made by Shafer and his wife. The will provided that upon the death of Mrs. Shafer all the property was to be bequeathed to the husband. Incident to his death the property was to be divided as stipulated. Shafer died and by the terms of the will his wife is left unprovided for. The court is called upon to determine whether the estate shall be kept intact or whether the effort of Mr. and Mrs. Shafer resulted only in the making of the will as to Mr. Shafer and the signature of the wife is merely a forgery.

## NO HOSE HOUSE FOR WEST SIDE

City's Finances Will Not Permit Construction, Say  
Councilmen.

PROPOSITION MUST WAIT.

PROBABLE LOSS OF SALOON REVENUE TO CITY, IN CASE COUN-  
TY GOES "DRY" ONE OF REAS-  
ONS GIVEN.

Notwithstanding the strong pressure being brought to bear by west side people on the city officials it is almost an assured fact that council will not, the ensuing year, make an appropriation for the erection of a hose house on the west side of the river. All the councilmen realize that it would be a wise move to provide a hose house for West Richmond, because that section of the city needs better fire protection and because it is the general opinion that the fire department is not large enough to cope with a blaze of more than ordinary size—such as the Colonial block fire last spring—but council keenly realizes the fact that the condition of the city's present and prospective finances does not warrant the proposed addition to the fire department.

The erection of a hose house in West Richmond, which would probably cost \$8,000 or \$9,000, would not be the greatest item of expense if such an improvement was authorized," stated Councilman H. H. Englebert. "The city would have to buy another combination hose and chemical wagon, which would cost about \$1,500, buy another team of horses and provide for four additional members to the fire department, whose combined annual salaries would amount to \$3,200."

Mr. Englebert stated that he thought the people of West Richmond should have better fire protection and that it would be a wise move to increase the size of the fire department, which is now too small to successfully handle a large fire, but that the city could not afford to make this necessary improvement at the present time.

When Controller Parry presented his budget of the city's expenses for 1909, he called attention to the fact that the city to secure enough money to meet its running expenses would either have to increase the tax rate or float a \$25,000 loan. This latter action was taken by council. Mr. Parry also called attention to the fact that should this city be voted "dry," it would be further embarrassed by the annual loss of about \$12,500 of its revenue, which amount is paid into the city by the saloons for their city licenses. If the city is deprived of this revenue and a heavy expense like the west side hose house is forced upon it, it is an assured fact that the tax rate will have to be increased or the city will have to further increase its already too-heavy expense debt burden by floating another large loan.

## WRECKAGE SIGHTED

Thought Steamer Tampa Has  
Gone Down With Eighteen Aboard.

STEAMERS BRING REPORT.

Sault Ste Marie, Dec. 5.—Steamers arrived here this morning bringing the report of having sighted large pieces of wreckage near Crist Point. The description given indicates it may have been from the steamer Tampa of Detroit which carried a crew of eighteen men. The fate of the crew is unknown.

## WATSON WILL STAY IN SIXTH DISTRICT

Does Not Propose to Move to  
Terre Haute.

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## PLACE ASSURED IN TAFT'S CABINET

TRUMAN H. NEWBERRY.

Newberry but recently succeeded Metcalf as Secretary of the Navy and is unacquainted with the work to a certain extent. He however is considered a good man for the place and after he becomes thoroughly acquainted with the workings of the department he is expected to make one of the best officials ever holding this position.

## BEVERIDGE IS LOGICAL LEADER

Retirement of Goodrich Marks  
End of the Fairbanks  
Machine.

FAVORS REORGANIZATION.

TAFT HAS ENCOURAGED IDEA OF  
FACING REPUBLICAN PARTY  
IN INDIANA UNDER A NEW  
LEADERSHIP.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 5.—The announcement of James P. Goodrich, chairman of the Republican state central committee, that he is out of politics and will retire from the committee is regarded here as the first step in the reorganization of the party to be undertaken soon by Senator Beveridge.

Goodrich was elected chairman four times in succession through the influence of Vice President Fairbanks, and always has been regarded as the head and front of the Fairbanks machine. Since the partial defeat of the republican ticket at the recent election there has been a strong demand for reorganization. Indiana leaders, who have visited President-elect Taft, have discussed the subject with him, and it is said he has encouraged the idea of placing the party under new leadership.

As Beveridge will have the distribution of patronage in eleven congressional districts that elected democrats this fall he is regarded as the logical leader of the party and the retirement of Goodrich means he is simply making way for Beveridge as state leader.

It is understood that Fairbanks, while he will still take interest in politics, will not make a fight to retain control of the organization or ask anything from the party in the near future. Beveridge has long represented the Roosevelt sentiment in Indiana.

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## TWO BILLS NOW MENACE PEACE OF THE SENATE

Brownsville Incident and Postal Savings Bank Will Be Basis for Fights in Upper House.

FORAKER EXPECTED TO  
MAKE BITTER ATTACK

Denunciation of President  
Roosevelt for Dismissing  
Colored Troops Is Now Very  
Likely.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 5.—The evil days which the senate has put off are to be overtaken early in the second session of congress, which commences next Monday. The dates for the consideration of the postal savings bank bill, wherein the administration will have its first opportunity to stand by one of the planks of the republican platform in the recent campaign, and of Senator Foraker's bill restoring to service the battalion of Twenty-fifth infantry, which was dismissed on account of the Brownsville imbroglio, will fall in the second week of the session. It will not be long, therefore, until issues of vital sort will present themselves for the consideration of the senators and the edification of the country.

Senator Foraker, during last spring accepted defeat in his resolve to bring his bill re-instating the Brownsville troops to a vote in the senate, by agreeing that the measure should come up for reconsideration on Dec. 16. The senator is in Washington. He said today that he expected to keep the bill before the senate until a vote was taken.

Attack on President Expected. He will, of course, make a lengthy speech in favor of the bill, and there are those who predict that he will use the occasion to tell the senate and country his views of the recent attacks which have been made upon him by President Roosevelt and to explain his position in regard to all the charges which threaten to prevent his return to the senate as his own successor.

As a post-campaign utterance, Mr. Foraker's speech is likely to contain some interesting things besides his discussion of the Brownsville incident, and the rights of the colored soldiers to be reinstated.

Senator Lodge, who has signified his intention of making some remarks concerning Senator Foraker's bill, and largely on whose account its consideration was postponed, will no doubt be the supporter of the administration in case Senator Foraker makes his predicted attack.

The postal savings bank bill is scheduled to come up in the senate on Monday, Dec. 14. It is a measure which is advocated by the administration and especially by Postmaster General Meyer. Senator Carter is the author of the bill. It proposes to afford the people an opportunity to give their money for safe keeping into the hands of Uncle Sam and to make that kind old gentleman pay interest on it also.

Bill Introduced Last Winter. The measure was introduced last winter in both house and senate, but made no headway in the former body on account of the extreme hostility which was shown it in the house committee on postoffice and postroads.

Senator Carter obtained a report on his bill from the senate committee, and when he endeavored to press it in the senate he found it necessary to compromise on an agreement that it should come up early in this winter's session.

There is a suspicion that Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island, who is chairman of the committee on finance, does not favor the measure, and there may be other leaders who can see no beauty in having it passed. However, it is expected to find comparatively plain sailing in the senate and strike its snag in the house, where there are elements hostile to the postal savings bank scheme in spite of the declaration in the recent republican platform.

## KELLER MURDER CASE COMES NEXT

Hearing of Railroad Commis-  
sion's Suit Delayed.

Owing to other cases occupying the attention of the court, the argument in the case of the Railroad Commission against the Fort Wayne, Richmond & Muncie railroad will not be heard Monday. Judge Fox stated today as soon as the Martin-Chittwood case is completed he will call the Keller murder case. This case now is docketed for trial Tuesday of next week.