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HAYS LIKELY POSSIBILITY FOR CABINET

Says Mark Sullivan—Hoosier Leader Has Great Organizing Ability, Energy and Character—Well Qualified.

IS AN ABLE EXECUTIVE

BY MARK SULLIVAN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10.—There is much talk of Will Hays as a cabinet possibility. He is due to confer with Senator Harding in Marion today. If the cabinet officers were distributed on the basis of party service, Will Hays would be entitled to be offered one.

Of course, Will Hays himself would be the first to recognize that there is no such thing as a claim on a cabinet office. The cabinet is the president's family, and he is entitled to choose it on whatever basis of personal judgment or personal comfort he may wish. That is the reason why all this discussion of cabinet possibilities is a little distasteful and is undertaken a little reluctantly. But Will Hays is so obvious in this kind of discussion that there is less hesitancy about mentioning him.

Even if there were any such thing as a claim on a cabinet office which there is not—it could not be said that to have filled the office of national chairman of the party give the holder an right to expect an cabinet office.

Two Chairmen Chosen.

In the past 20 years of American politics I can recall only two national chairmen who became a member of the cabinet. These were George B. Courtey and Frank Hitchcock. The latter managed Taft's campaign in 1908 and Taft offered him the office of postmaster general. There was peculiar approbation in this. Hitchcock was already assistant postmaster general. Hitchcock did not want to take the office, but Taft insisted. In the end I imagine they both regretted it.

Hitchcock, as national chairman, has had command of all the party workers throughout the country, and, in a sense, has put himself under obligations to them. They in turn, when they wanted patronage for themselves or for their friends, looked to Hitchcock to get it. Hitchcock became a kind of resident ambassador at Washington for all the office seekers in the country. The result, of course, was that every other cabinet member rather set himself up against Hitchcock.

Hitchcock Embarrassed.

Hitchcock as Postmaster General could take care of a good deal of patronage, but when there was a vacancy in any other department and one of Hitchcock's party workers wanted it, the party worker suffered rather than benefitted by Hitchcock's presence in the cabinet. It was a painful situation to Hitchcock, to Taft, to the other cabinet members and most of all the party workers.

The experience of Hitchcock and Taft, is of course, no reason why Hays should decline a cabinet office if it should be offered to him. Conditions in this case are different in several particulars from what they were in the Taft-Hitchcock case. But there are other reasons why Hays might or might not wish to have Harding offer him a cabinet position, on the other hand. Hays is entirely capable of filling any one of several cabinet offices, not merely with success, but with distinction; to say Hays has ability is rather too obvious in view of the recent election but even if the Republicans had lost the election, no one who had any contact with Hays would have altered the opinion that in his he is an extremely able person.

Energy's Organizer.

His ability obviously is chiefly in the line of organization and energy. He has an excellent sense of organization, and his capacity to supply that organization with driving power was always the marvel of those who looked upon his frail physique and pallid countenance. If anything, Hays is almost over-energetic. He is active to a degree that leaves him no time for that kind of ability which lies in the field of reflection.

If Hays has a problem that involves thought and reflection, his way of solving is to run over a line of prominent Republicans, pick the one that has the best capacity for thought in that particular line, turn the problem over to him, and tell him that a judgment and decision will be called for at 5:45 p. m. the following night. Hays functions along the line of organization exclusively. He does not attempt much else. I have sometimes thought he did himself an injustice in this, for he has the capacity for reflection, if he choose to rely on it, and decidedly marked capacity for aphoristic expression of common sense.

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Need Automobiles to Carry Wernle Orphans

Orphans of the Wernle home, south east of the city, are to be entertained at a free matinee at the Washington theater, Saturday.

The manager of the theatre asks that persons with automobiles volunteer to transport the parentless children to the treat. The children will view the film, "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come." Persons who will help in bringing these children to and from the theater are urged to telephone Manager Bell at the Washington theater, Friday evening or Saturday morning.

GOTO DECLINES PLACE

(By Associated Press) TOKIO, Dec. 10.—Baron Goto, former minister of foreign affairs, has declined the appointment of mayor of Tokio, which office he was asked to assume for the purpose of clearing up charges of graft against officials and councilmen who recently resigned.

BATTLESHIP READY TO RETURN EX-KING TO GREEK CAPITAL

(By Associated Press)

ATHENS, Dec. 10.—It is declared former King Constantine will come back to Greece on board the Greek battleship Averof, although it was reported early this week that a warship was being held in the harbor of Constantinople. Arrangements have been made to send the steamer Iperochi to Bridgeton for the purpose of taking journalists there to greet Constantine.

In official circles, however, there is much excitement regarding the return of Constantine. George Rallis, the premier was asked yesterday if Constantine was coming back to Greece and said: "That is a matter to be decided by him."

PARIS, Dec. 10.—Decision to invite former King Constantine to return to Greece has been reached by the government of that country and such invitation will be telegraphed Constantine says a Havas dispatch from Athens.

CURTAIL EXPENSES IN FOREIGN AFFAIRS, URGE

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Curtailment in expenditures for foreign affairs has brought about conditions in its establishments abroad, especially in consulates and missions that in some cases are "disgraceful" says a memorandum sent to congress by the secretary of state.

The American mission in Berlin's memorandum says, "is housed in a building in such bad condition that water soaks through cracks in the walls and in a hard rainstorm pails have to be set about the rooms to catch the water."

In Budapest the American mission is situated in rooms which are disgraceful. The approach is through a court yard and up two flights of steps, smelling outrageously and always crowded with people coming on legitimate American business. There is so little space that these crowds have to be herded by Hungarian policemen."

FORMER WAITER HERE ACCUSED OF FORGERY

(By Associated Press)

LEBANON, Ind., Dec. 10.—Police here today declared that a man known as W. A. Sanford and held on a forgery charge has confessed the forgery of \$12 of checks on William Wood of Richmond, Ind., a restaurant keeper. The checks on the Richmond man were cashed at Colfax, Lebanon, and Logansport, according to the police. The prisoner's arrest here was on the charge of passing forged checks on Basil Stewart of Dover, near here.

William Wood, proprietor of the Interurban restaurant on South Eighth street, received a communication from the police of Lebanon, Friday, telling him that W. A. Sanford, formerly employed by him had been arrested there and had confessed to forgery.

The checks were drawn on the Union National bank of Richmond. According to officials of the bank the checks have come in at two different times, the first being over two months ago. These were detected and efforts were made to apprehend the man. The arrest at Lebanon probably will clear the matter, Mr. Wood stated. Mr. Sanford was employed at the local restaurant for about a month last July and had not been hear of since that time.

ACCUSES HUNGARIANS IN ITALIAN DISORDERS

(By Associated Press)

ROME, Dec. 10.—Four Hungarian subjects against whom the police have sufficient evidence to show they have been conspiring against public order in Italy have been arrested at Bologna. It was announced in the chamber of Deputies today by Signor Corradini, under secretary of the interior.

He added that when Signor Bucco, a socialist deputy, returned from Australia last May he had brought to Bologna the wife of Bela Kun, former Hungarian communist dictator, and her sister. Both of them entered Italy under false names, but were allowed to stay upon giving a promise they would not mix in politics.

Recently the under secretary declared, their home has become a shelter for Hungarian refugees and the four men who have been arrested in Bologna were found in their dwelling.

\$1,000,000 is Wanted to Make Nation Christian

(By Associated Press)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Expenditure of \$1,000,000 during the next three years in safeguarding prohibition, extending the "blue laws", and amending the federal constitution so the United States will be designated a Christian nation, is proposed by the International Reform bureau according to Wilbur F. Crafts, who addressed the opening session of a conference on the subject here today.

Mean Thief Clips Hair Of Passenger in Pullman

(By Associated Press)

FORT THOMAS, Ky., Dec. 10.—Mrs. Waters Howe of Orlando, Fla., claims to have been the victim of the meanest thief in the United States—one who she said clipped the hair from her head while she was asleep in a Pullman car of the Louisville and Nashville railroad en route from Jacksonville, Fla., to this city.

Mrs. Howe reported that besides her hair she was robbed of several pieces of jewelry and \$300 in cash.

NOBEL PEACE PRIZES GIVEN TO WINNERS

(By Associated Press)

President Wilson Among Recipients—Sends Message to be Read at Christiana Ceremony.

DIGNITARIES PRESENT

(By Associated Press)

CHRISTIANA, Norway, Dec. 10.—Presentation of the Nobel peace prizes for 1919 and 1920, which have been awarded, respectively to Leon Bourgeois of France, and Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States, took place here today. Formal announcement of the awards was made yesterday.

A message from President Wilson to be read upon the presentation of the 1920 prize had been received by Albert G. Schmedeman, American minister to Norway, and was read by him during the ceremony.

A message from President Wilson to the places of the executions. The coroner was notified and so were city and county officials. The new crowd gathered quickly as news spread of what had been done.

The three men were ex-convicts, Boyd having served two terms, Flits three and Valento one.

Faith Former Attempts.

Two attempts to take the men from jail here were made last Sunday, a few hours after they had been arrested. One was broken up by officers, and the other failed when Mrs. Petray, widow of the slain sheriff, begged friends not to countenance mob violence.

The action of the mob today indicated plans had been laid beforehand.

The mob moved to the jail without ostentation. A cord was thrown about the structure of granite, concrete and steel. Twelve men were detailed to approach the door. Six entered. Sheriff John Boyes, appointed after the death of Sheriff Petray, was in his private office at the right, with four deputies. The six were armed. They "covered" Boyes and his deputies and made them put up their hands. The officers were disarmed and the keys of the jail taken. While some of the men inside the jail guarded the officers, others went immediately to the cell of the men.

MEETING OF MINDS.

By making Mr. Hughes the first to be consulted about the association of nations plan, Mr. Harding has begun his "meeting of minds" by summoning a leader from the reservationists' wing of his party. During the league fight Mr. Hughes proposed several reservations to the peace treaty dealing with article 10, withdrawal and other subjects.

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Interest in the premier's statement was keen and the benches and the visitors' gallery were well filled when the time for opening the day's session approached.

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MOB AT SANTA ROSA LYNCHES 3 ACCUSED OF KILLING SHERIFF

(By Associated Press)

SANTA ROSA, Calif., Dec. 10.—George Boyd, Terrence Flits and Charles Valento, accused of murdering Sheriff James A. Petray, of Sonoma county, and detectives Miles Jackson and Lester M. Dorman here Sunday afternoon last, were taken from the county jail here early this morning and hanged.

At 2:30 o'clock this morning a mob of about 100 men, all wearing black masks entered the jail, overpowered the officers there, took the keys and removed the prisoners to waiting automobiles.

Fifteen machines carried the party to a cemetery, three blocks beyond the city limits. The men were taken from the machines and hanged to an oak tree inside the cemetery. Headlights of three automobiles were used to light the tree selected for the hanging. Members of the mob were stationed to prevent intrusion.

WORK FAST.

Not more than five minutes was required by the mob to enter the jail, overpowering the officers and removing the prisoners. Within fifteen minutes the three alleged gangsters and murderers had been lynched.

The exercises took place in the presence of members of the cabinet in the house of parliament, many foreign diplomats being in attendance. J. G. Loveland, former premier, spoke in handing the prizes to the French and American ministers, who were introduced by the Speaker of the Chamber, Anders Johnson Buen.

NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—Award of the Nobel peace prize today to President Wilson, as the person who has promoted most or best the fraternity of nations and the abolition of armaments and of litigation, marks the sixteenth bestowal of the gift of the Swedish inventor of dynamite, Alfred B. Nobel, whose name it bears.

President Wilson is the third American to receive the peace prize, the others being Theodore Roosevelt and Elihu Root.

The prize one-fifth of the annual interest on about \$8,000,000 left for the purpose by Mr. Nobel, normally amounts to about \$40,000 but is payable in Swedish kroner, which at the present rate of exchange, represents about \$29,100 in American gold. A kroner in the United States at present has a value of only 19½ cents as compared to its normal value of nearly 27 cents.

Recipients in countries where the kroner is above par, however, will receive much more than the amount stipulated. Knut Hamsun of Norway, winner of the Nobel prize for literature, thus will receive \$48,000, and a German award would make the recipient in that country almost a millionaire.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Miss Mary McSwiney, sister of the late Lord Mayor of Cork and P. J. Guylfoyle of Pittsburgh, were heard today by the commission of the committee of 100 investigating the Irish question.

Miss McSwiney told of incidents surrounding the killing of Lord Mayor Curtin of Cork while Mr. Guylfoyle gave an eye witness account of a military raid on a small town in County Clare where he visited last summer with his family. He said that after two police officers had been killed half a hundred of the military descended on the town and burned and pillaged it.

Representative Johnson, chairman of the immigration committee, and Representative Baker of California, continued in charge of the bill with the opposing forces lined up behind Representatives Siegel, of New York and Sabath, of Illinois. It was claimed by supporters that the measure would be adopted by a large majority.

Both Representatives Sabath and Siegel had prepared amendments designed to broaden the provisions restricting immigration to blood relatives of naturalized citizens. Chairman Johnson said he was satisfied, however, that the house would reject all amendments which weakened the bill or tended to "let down the bars" it raised to the impending stampeding of foreigners from all parts of the world.

Mr. Maurer said he wished to enter through Mr. Adamson as the head of the British labor party "a protest to the English people against this autocratic action of the British government in suppressing truth and free speech from the