

CONSERVATIVE LABOR LEADER RECOMMENDED

President-elect Harding Is Urged to Help Conservative Leaders to Down Radicals in Their Own Ranks.

W. G. LEE STANDS OUT

BY MARK SULLIVAN

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 20.—Some things that occurred last week have thrown some light on at least one cabinet position. Those cabinet appointments remain now, as they always have been, subjects in which accurate knowledge is in one place only and that place is Mr. Harding's mind. But some of Mr. Harding's advisers have reflected certain considerations brought up during the past week.

In connection with the department of labor three sets of considerations have been urged.

One is that a labor man should be appointed, but one with political experience and officially affiliated with the Republican party. The man commonly mentioned in this connection is Congressman John Nolan of California.

Another suggestion strongly pressed is that a great captain of industry whose contact with labor consists of having been an employer on a large scale should be appointed. One man occasionally mentioned in this connection is Charles M. Schwab. From another angle of this position, Herbert Hoover is frequently suggested for the department of labor.

Third position is that a recognized leader of union labor who is still identified with labor exclusively and who has the confidence of organized labor, should be given the post.

In this latter connection Senator Harding has been specifically urged to name W. G. Lee head of the Order of Railway Men and three years ago, three or four men acknowledged to be the ablest and the highest in standing among the leaders of organized labor. Lee began life as a brakeman on the Atchafalaya and the Union Pacific, and has never held any political office except that of congressman two years ago as deputy recorder of deeds in Ford county, Kansas.

The argument that supports Lee is to the effect that it is the wisest policy to give recognition and support to organized labor.

To combat radicalism. For some years past the conservative leaders of organized labor, including Gompers, himself have been constantly under assault from radical labor men. It is believed to be the best policy to give to these conservative leaders the kind of recognition that will help them in their resistance against radical opposition in their own ranks.

President Wilson has followed this policy frankly. He went out of his way to make an address at the annual meeting of the American Federation of Labor at Buffalo three years ago. It was generally accepted that his presence on that occasion was partly due to his wish to give moral support to Mr. Gompers and to help this veteran head of the federation against any attempt which might be made to remove him from his position in favor of some one less conservative.

Selection important. The selection of a Secretary of Labor is especially important now because the question of policy in that connection is still in the making. The Department of Labor is new. It was created just at the close of Taft's administration and the first head of it was appointed by President Wilson. This first appointment was given to William B. Wilson who still holds the post. Mr. Wilson was at that time a member of congress.

But the choice of Wilson as Secretary of Labor was not dictated so much by his political experience in congress as by his life time of experience as leader of organized labor.

Mr. Harding now has the second appointment to make, and if he makes it in the same spirit as the first it will tend to crystallize the policy of recognition of the conservative leaders of organized labor and give them aid in their resistance to radical insurgents in their own ranks.

All this has been laid before Senator Harding by advisers who are as remote as possible from formal identification with organized labor and whose motives are solely those of far-sighted policy and the public good.

MRS. C. E. MARLATT IS CALLED BY DEATH

Mrs. Charles E. Marlatt, 70 years old, one of the old residents of Richmond, died of pneumonia after a short illness early Sunday morning. She came to Richmond shortly after the Civil war and had resided here since. She was born in New Philadelphia, Ind., and was a daughter of Robert Houston, an influential pioneer of that section of Indiana.

She is survived by her husband; one son, Houston Marlatt, and four daughters, Mrs. Maude Eggeneyer, Mrs. Luther Feeger and Miss Ruth Marlatt, all of this city, and Mrs. Florence Judkins, of Ft. Thomas, Ky., and three grandchildren.

Mrs. Marlatt had been in failing health for a year, but her condition was not regarded as serious until pneumonia developed last week.

The funeral will be conducted by Rev. J. J. Rae of the First Presbyterian church at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Luther Feeger, 36 South Eighth street, Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The interment will be in Earlham cemetery.

Friends may view the body at the home of Luther Feeger, 36 South Eighth street, any time Monday evening, and Tuesday morning between the hours of 9 and 11 o'clock.

GREET CONSTANTINE BY GREAT OVATION UPON HIS ARRIVAL

(By Associated Press)

ATHENS, Dec. 20.—Amid the thunder of cannon, the hum of circling airplanes and the roaring cheers of a great throng, Constantine of Greece entered Athens yesterday. His arrival was accompanied by his admiral, Napoleon, and his return from Elba and tears of joy were seen flowing down the cheeks of people swarming near his carriage.

Immediately after alighting from the railway train, Constantine drove to the cathedral, where a magnificent service was given, all the bishops in Athens participating. It was noticeable that no foreign ministers were present during the welcoming ceremonies.

The arrival of Constantine was not marred by any accidents. The approach of the royal train was signaled by the arrival at the tiny terminal of the railway near Place de la Concorde of three royal carriages, which stopped in front of the station at 11 o'clock.

Royal Reception.

The king's carriage was drawn by six black geldings driven by three uniformed outsiders and was draped in royal purple. In the throng were villagers, wearing the national costume of white skirt, red cap and black stockings, dock laborers and city soldiers, and a detachment of French bluejackets was in evidence. Cabinet members arrived just before the train pulled into the station and were followed by Queen Mother Olga and Prince and Princess Christopher.

When Constantine emerged from his railway carriage he bowed salutations to the throng and tears were seen in his eyes as he said to those near him: "Be still, my children." He embraced Queen Mother Olga and shook hands with Princess Christopher, and then was escorted to his carriage in which he was taken to the cathedral.

Reads Address.

Constantine read his address from the balcony of the palace in the presence of 50,000 persons. He was dressed in a marshal's uniform and Premier Rallis stood on his right. Queen Sophie and Princess Christopher also were present.

He declared he would establish internal unity and cultivate good relations with the allied powers. He said the marriage of Prince George, duke of Sparta, and Princess Elizabeth of Rumania insured an alliance with that country, and he declared he would follow the policy of his fathers and cultivate ancient Greek culture. Constantine asserted he suffered deeply during his exile. He referred to the late King Alexander as one "who had done his duty."

The merchant steamer bringing correspondents from Venice has not yet arrived at Piraeus.

PARIS, Dec. 20.—Allied warships which had been in the harbor of Piraeus, the port of Athens, left prior to the arrival of Constantine on board the Greek cruiser Averoff yesterday so as to avoid paying honors to the returning monarch, says an Athens dispatch.

Rev. Dressel Addresses Ministerial Association

"Christ in Modern Life," was the theme of an address by the Rev. F. A. Dressel before the Ministerial association, Monday morning. A discussion followed.

The Rev. Dressel held a very optimistic view of world conditions, and believed that a more christian and brotherly attitude between the people of the world would follow the present chaotic situations. He advocated the accepting of the will of the Father as the solution to world problems.

Baltimore Fears Criminals' Invasion

BALTIMORE, Dec. 20.—Fearing an invasion of criminals as a result of the summary action of the New York police authorities in ridding the metropolis of its undesirable, the Baltimore authorities have taken steps to meet it. The railroad stations have been put under increased police guard and other precautions taken to prevent an influx of criminals from New York or other cities, it was learned today.

SPANISH ELECTIONS. MADRID, Dec. 20.—Monarchist candidates to the Spanish Cortes received a majority in the elections held in Spain yesterday. So far as known the Socialists have won only two seats, while Republicans were not successful in any contest.

Weather Forecast

MOORE'S SPECIAL FORECAST

A general storm accompanied by snow over the northern states, and snow and rain over the central and southern states is moving eastward and will affect this section some time in the next 26 hours period. The advancing storm will be preceded by rising temperature and followed by cold weather.

For Indiana, by the United States Weather Bureau—Snow in north and central and snow or rain in south portion late tonight and Tuesday; slowly rising temperature.

Temperatures Yesterday
Maximum 27
Minimum 10
Today
Maximum 27
Minimum 10

For Washington, by the United States Weather Bureau—Snow in north and central and snow or rain in south portion late tonight and Tuesday; slowly rising temperature.

Weather Conditions—Cold weather now covers the north and central states and Canadian provinces, with maximum temperatures considerably below zero in the far northwest, and minimum temperatures decidedly below zero. The Pacific coast storm has crossed the Rocky Mountains and general snows are in progress over the western plain states north of the 40 parallel. Rain and snow over the middle sections and rain over the south.

RECEIVERSHIP FOR MULTI-X IS REQUESTED

Stockholders File Petition in Circuit Court Asking Immediate Appointment of Receiver to Protect Assets.

OFFICERS DISAPPEAR

Charging that officers of the company have absconded, leaving assets without protection in this county, and that these assets are in danger of being removed because of other suits that are now pending against the company, Edward Mendenhall and others filed a petition today in circuit court for the appointment of a receiver for the Multi-X Aircraft and Motors company.

Stockholders of the company whose names were given in the complaint as plaintiffs are Edward Mendenhall, Owen Miller, Hester W. Kendall, Ernest C. Tremps, Lois, Junius Harold, and Ethel Tremps. A total of \$12,000 worth of stock is represented by the complainants.

The complaint alleges that the company is now insolvent that other suits are pending for payments of debts, and that as a result, the available assets of the company are likely to be removed, thus taking away whatever claim the stockholders have on the property.

List of Assets.
Motors, patent rights and office furnishings are the principal assets of the company. It was stated in the complaint that the company was according to the complaint, had absconded, were: William Hereley, president; G. L. Kluefer, vice president, and O. C. Olson, secretary and treasurer.

Promoters of the Multi-X Aircraft and Motors company came to Richmond last summer, asserting that they had purchased a large tract of land north of the city and would erect a million dollar plant.

Sell Blocks of Stock.
On the strength of these representations, blocks of stock were sold locally. At the time the stock was made, the Palladium questioned the soundness of the offerings, showing that there was very little behind the stock to recommend it as an investment.

The petition filed in the court Monday requested that the receiver be appointed without notice.
Two persons associated with the company were indicted by the Wayne grand jury last October.

Frank T. Strayer was appointed temporary receiver this afternoon. Further hearing to decide whether or not the receivership will be permanent, will be held Jan. 17.

COMMITTEE FAVORS INCREASE IN HOUSE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Enactment of the Siegel reapportionment bill proposing an increase in the number of the house of representatives to 453 members so as to prevent any state losing a representative is favored by a majority of the house census committee, Chairman Siegel declared today, after an executive session of the committee. Representative Siegel hoped to have the reapportionment bill read by mid-January.

Hearings on the measure will be held by the committee on Dec. 28 and 29, and Jan. 4. Special attention will be directed to the disfranchisement of negroes in the southern states.

USE WAR METHODS TO REDUCE PRICES

(By Associated Press.)
CHICAGO, Dec. 20.—Reversal of war methods in fighting high food prices was adopted in Chicago today, when Russell J. Poole, secretary of the fair price committee of the city council, announced that "fair price" quotations for meats will be issued daily by the council committee. Wholesale prices quoted by packers at the stock yards will be made the basis of the "fair price" schedule, he said.
To this will be added overhead charges and a fair profit. The plan was adopted at the suggestion of Everett C. Brown, of the Chicago Live Stock Exchange. "The meat dealers' profits are greater now than at any time during the war," said Mr. Brown. "The meat dealer could cut meat prices 10 to 20 per cent and still make a bigger margin of profit than before the war." C. E. Frye, a Seattle packer, on his way west from an eastern visit, said retail meat prices in the east and middle west are higher than on the Pacific coast. He said meat prices in Europe were 25 to 50 per cent lower than in Chicago.

Benton Heights May Be Annexed to the City

An ordinance annexing Benton Heights to the city of Richmond will be recommended by a committee from city council at the regular meeting in the city hall Monday night, it was understood by officials of the city Monday morning.
The citizens of Benton Heights are said to be in favor of the move to a great extent and the council has made an investigation which may result in its being incorporated in the city.

John F. Nugent Appointed Federal Trade Commissioner

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—John F. Nugent of Boise, Idaho, was appointed today by President Wilson to be a member of the federal trade commission.

INDIANAPOLIS BANK IS ROBBED SUNDAY; STORE BURGLARIZED

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 20.—Robbers broke into the Indiana National bank here some time Sunday and made away with between \$10,000 and \$15,000 in cash, it was learned when the institution opened for business Monday.

The money was taken from a book vault on the main floor and according to an official represented deposits made Saturday after the bank had closed its big safe in the basement. Entrance was made through a skylight, the robbers using a ladder to reach the men's washrooms.

A watchman supposed to be on duty in the bank had not been interviewed by officials of the organization this morning. The theft was covered by insurance, it was said.

Rob Cloak Store

One of the boldest daylight robberies committed in Indianapolis in a number of years occurred Sunday, probably early in the morning, when burglars entered the Selig Cloak and Suit store, 20-22 West Washington street, in the heart of the downtown district, and carried away thousands of dollars worth of fur coats. Herbert Selig, secretary of the company, estimated the loss at from \$12,000 to \$15,000.

The burglars broke into glass cases on the third floor where the valuable fur coats were on display, after efforts to open a heavy safe, containing the firm's funds, had failed. The combination was knocked from a light filing safe on the balcony between the first and second floors, and the safe was opened, but the robbers did not disturb the contents. They knocked the combination from a big safe containing money and valuable papers, but were unsuccessful in their attempt to open the safe, which was under the stairway leading to the second floor.

Leave Finger Prints.

Finger prints found on doors and shelves in the store, the only clue the police had to work on today in their efforts to trace the persons who robbed the Selig Dry Goods company store of fur coats and scarfs valued at \$11,000 some time Sunday.

Police departments in all surrounding cities and towns have been notified of the robbery on received descriptions of the goods stolen. An inventory showed that 31 pieces had been taken.

Board of Works Allows Bills Aggregating \$12,000

Bills aggregating about \$12,000 were allowed by the board of works at their regular Monday meeting. The current expenses of the city light plant totaled \$8,290.10, including salaries and improvements.

Bills from the city police, fire and board of works amounted to about \$4,000. The cost of fighting the proposed raise in gas rates amounted to \$863.11. The chief item in this was the retaining of an expert accountant to prepare the data on which the city based its case.

Reptile Lizard Skull Is Added to Museum

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 20.—A new reptile skull of the lizard type of animal is the latest addition to the State University museum here. The technical name of the animal from which the skull came is "Tylosaurus". The skull is 20 inches long and is mounted with mouth open to show the long, sharp conical teeth. It came from the cretaceous limestone of western Kansas.

The whole animal, when alive, measured approximately 15 feet in length and is thought to have been a marine animal, for its limbs were attached as are the limbs of present day swimming animals. Its mouth is of characteristic reptile form, the lower jaws being in two parts.

Duchess of Marlborough is to Live in Paris

(By Associated Press.)
LONDON, Dec. 20.—The duchess of Marlborough, formerly Consuelo Vanderbilt, who was recently granted a divorce from her husband, the duke of Marlborough, is to leave England permanently and will probably make Paris her future home, according to the Daily Mail. For many years the duchess has given a cup to an organization as a prize and it was announced on Saturday when this year's cup was presented, that the gift would not be made in future.

Law Enforcement is Urged By Anti-Saloon League Men

Richmond citizens must wake up if they hope to gain active law enforcement from their city officials, was the declaration of anti-saloon league representatives and local men, at a mass meeting held at the Grace Church, Sunday afternoon.

A committee composed of Timothy Nicholson, Rev. F. A. Dressel, Rev. L. E. Murray, A. L. Smith, Jesse Bailey and Mrs. Emma H. Unthank was named to work for law enforcement. It is planned for this committee to meet at the Y. M. C. A. at 4 p. m. Monday, to begin work at once. Mr. Nicholson has been named president chairman, and the Rev. Dressel active chairman.

A decision to organize such a body was made following talks by E. S. Shumaker, superintendent of the Indiana Anti-Saloon League, S. P. McNaught, and R. C. Minton, attorneys of the league. Timothy Nicholson, president, presided until after the introduction of Mr. Shumaker.

It will be the aim of this executive committee to obtain at least two representatives from each civic organization, both women and men, to form a large committee, which will begin work at once toward bringing about proper law enforcement, particularly enforcement of the liquor laws. Members of the committee also will be active during the coming city election, to insure the placing of responsible men in public office, it was said. This may be done by organizing each precinct and working in a non-partisan manner for the election of men believed to stand for a clean efficient city administration, said a speaker.

Tells of Work.

S. P. McNaught, the first speaker of the afternoon, told of his experiences in Peru, Ind., where much trouble had resulted from lax city and county officials. Before raids could be made there, he said, it was necessary to call out ministers and deputize them for the work. In closing he said: "Friends, if you will do your duty as citizens of Richmond at the next election, it won't be necessary for you to make raids personally, for you will put in men who stand for proper law enforcement."

"Don't be satisfied to shift all the blame to officials," was the reminder of R. C. Minton. "God knows they are to blame for most of the violations. You must do your share of the work. I wonder how many of you have had the strength to go to your city officials and tell them when

JOHN LENNARD IS ARRESTED BY U. S. MARSHAL

Taken to Indianapolis Today on Warrant Charging Sale of Five Cases of Whisky—Health is Better.

WANTED AT HAMILTON

John I. Lennard was taken to Indianapolis at 12:15 Monday, following his arrest by United States deputy marshal, on a warrant charging the sale of five cases of whisky.

The arrest of Lennard by federal authorities is the first local arrest made toward cleaning up the alleged "whisky ring" which federal authorities have been investigating here and the surrounding county.

Lennard's arrest came as a surprise to city and county officials. He had already been arrested some time ago on a charge of receiving stolen automobiles, and was out on bond on this charge. In addition he is under a Wayne grand jury indictment for the sale of intoxicating liquor. His trial has been set for Jan. 10 on the grand jury indictment.

Gave \$2,000 Bail.

Lennard gave \$2,000 bail for his appearance in Hamilton, to answer to a charge of receiving and purchasing a stolen automobile a short time ago. Because he was seriously ill at the time, he was not taken to Hamilton immediately. Monday he was reported to be in shape to make the journey and officers at Hamilton were notified to come and take him. Shortly before noon however, the Indianapolis officer appeared and removed Lennard before the Ohio officers appeared.

Prosecutor Freeman said that Lennard's arrest by the federal officials might have the effect of delaying his trial here, but would not affect his trial in any other way.

"If Judge Anderson wants Lennard over there, we will simply have to postpone proceedings here," he said.

SOCIAL CLUBS WARNED TO MAKE TAX REPORT

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—Every social club which fails to collect and pay over taxes required on dues and fees from its members is liable to a penalty of not more than \$1,000, according to revised regulations issued today by the bureau of internal revenue. In addition, a penalty of 50 per cent of the tax is imposed when a return filed by a club is found to be false or fraudulent. Under the new regulations returns from clubs together with the amount of the tax are required to be in the hands of the collector on or before the last day of the month following that for which it is made. Each club must make a return every month, whether or not taxable dues have been collected. If a club is held not taxable the bureau will not require a return, but a return as to its status under the law unless it changes its character, but revenue collectors are required to inquire into their status from time to time to ascertain whether they have become taxable.

These regulations have been amended the bureau said, "to show clearly that an organization for the advancement of business or commercial interests of a city or community is not taxable but dues of local college organizations are not exempt from tax as are college fraternity chapters. However the tax on such organizations is reduced to one dollar only if the regular dues or fees are in excess of \$10 a year for each member."

Weather Siren Signals Changed by Moore

A slight change in the siren weather signal blasts has been announced by Weatherman Moore. The purpose is to make the signals noticeably distinct from other whistles.

One long blast will forecast a drop in temperature of from 15 to 25 degrees during the following 36 hour period; several short blasts in rapid succession means a decided cold wave approaching.

Bill Exempts Forest Tracts from Taxes

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 20.—Forest tracts will be exempt from taxation as long as they are used for growing timber, in a bill to be presented early in the session of the coming legislature by the forestry division of the state department of conservation.

The bill is designed to stimulate reforestation in Indiana and aside from offering inducements to landowners to plant waste and unproductive lands to forests, remedies the present law of inequality in so far as forest land is taxed at the same rate as land under cultivation.

Largely because the timber crop is long in maturing and returns are hardly possible in a generation, landowners have refused to plant forests when they could cultivate and make quicker returns. The proposed measure will go a long way toward providing timber for wood-using industries of the next generation, conservation officials believe.

Roughly the bill will provide that any person may create a forest reservation by making application to the state forester, who will classify his holdings either as native timber or as a forest plantation. The land would then be assessed at \$1 and would remain exempt from taxation so long as the uses to which it would be put would conform to the provisions of the law. For instance, if the tract when classified as native timber and then exempted from taxation the owner would be forbidden to use it as a pasture for stock.

Clothing Industry Wages Reduced 30 Per Cent

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—Wage reductions averaging about 30 percent under the union scale prevailing in the men's clothing industry since November, 1919, were announced today, by the Clothing Manufacturer's association, which made public its new piece-work wage schedule.

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HEAVY DAMAGE DONE TO BOILER IN CITY'S PLANT BY BAD TUBE

Investigation of the burning of tubes in one of the boilers at the Municipal Electric Light and Power plant which occurred on Tuesday, Nov. 30, causing about \$2,000 or \$3,000 damage, has just been completed by officials of the plant, a representative from the state industrial board, and the Travelers' Indemnity company, with whom the boilers are insured.

A defective tube is said to have allowed the water to drain from the tubes and caused the accident.

About fifty tubes in one of the boilers were destroyed. The investigations were conducted separately, it being at first thought that criminal negligence might have been committed by some one connected with the plant.

Find Defective Tube.

After tearing out most of the tubes a defective one was found in the rear of the boiler which was thought to have allowed the water to escape from the other tubes. This ruptured tube was immediately sent to the insurance company's laboratories for examination. It is not expected that great difficulty will be experienced in collecting the insurance which covers this accident.

Immediate work was started in repairing the damage and the boiler will be back in condition by the middle of this week, according to Mr. Dillon, superintendent of the plant.

The announcement of the accident at the light plant has been held up pending the investigation to ascertain the exact cause of the difficulty. All employees of the company have been exonerated by the investigation carried on by the city light plant officials.

PLAN HARD SURFACE ROAD TO NEWCASTLE TO ASSIST FARMERS

First steps were taken toward building of a cement highway that may eventually extend from Richmond to Newcastle, were taken Saturday in a conference between Wayne county and the Wayne county commission.

The route will go by way of Hagerstown and will serve to put the entire county within an hour's drive of Richmond. Although officials of Henry county did not state their attitude definitely, they did say that a petition for such a road was already being circulated and that they would be glad to take the matter under consideration in January.

Officials of the Wayne county highway office said the road from Richmond to Hagerstown would be put through as soon as contracts could be let. It is probable that the specifications will be passed on at the next session of the commissioners, which will be early in January.

Road 16 Miles Long.
The route from Richmond to Hagerstown is 16 miles in length, and it is planned to pave the additional two miles to Newcastle. The highway is to be constructed on a route that county will pay the cost of the remainder of the route.

Richmond pays 57 percent of the cost of road construction and maintenance in Wayne county, it is said, and the county will be benefited favorably to the county at large, serving to bring the country and city closer.

Another road that is under consideration in the highway superintendent's office is the Boston pike. It is a two mile road, and it is believed they would be the heaviest traffic carrying roads in the county, and would save thousands of dollars annually in carrying costs. The Boston-Richmond route is 6 miles in length.

The proposed roads cost between \$25,000 and \$30,000 per mile it is said. This would mean an investment of approximately \$600,000.

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POLICE OF NEW YORK HOLD 150 PERSONS

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NEW YORK, Dec. 20.—The most sweeping round up of crooks and suspicious characters in the history of New York was under full swing today by the city's police force of 11,000 men, augmented by 4,500 reserves, in an effort to stem the wave of crime that startled the metropolis last week.

More than 150 persons were caught in the dragnet late last night, but no important arrests were made the police said. Police Commissioner Enright, who is in personal charge of the drive, issued the edict: "Drag out every crook and arrest him at sight. If no charge can be proved against him they will be ordered to take the first train out of town."

Only routine petty crimes were reported over night, the authorities claimed. A number of organizations called meetings for today to discuss the situation and to take counsel as to whether they should arm themselves.