

DEMOCRATS TRYING TO SAVE COX'S FACE

Will Attempt to Present Some Evidence to Justify Making of Charges

REMAIN FULL OF FIGHT

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Chicago, Sept. 3.—When the Kenyon investigating committee meets again next Tuesday the real effort of the Democrats to make the Cox campaign fund charges stick will begin. The Democratic senators on the committee and the Democratic campaign managers here are full of fight as the result of the conferences with Governor Cox and of their going over the evidence with Judge Edmund H. Moore, the governor's personal representative.

They talked boldly of sending somebody to the penitentiary. It is reported that the source from which the Democratic candidate obtained his list of cities and their quotas will be disclosed and that the disclosure will be impressive. One may discount both professions. In Republican circles the name of the man who gave the governor his evidence and especially the typewritten list of cities is whispered about freely. But it is all suspicious and manifestly unfair to print the name unless voluntarily disclosed by the person himself.

There will probably be some evidence to show that this list of cities came from Republican national headquarters and was officially prepared, although the evidence does not connect Mr. Hayes or Mr. Upham with it. Republicans who know the facts concede that when they are brought out Governor Cox will have established "a talking point," but that he will have failed to show the actual collection of excessive funds.

Will Be Much Talking
The talking point, they say, will be the existence of quotas for cities and localities out of all proportion to the state quota testified to by Treasurer Upham. When it is all over the Democrats will probably insist that the Republicans intended to raise these large quotas. And the Republicans will declare that these large quotas were fixed solely for money-raising purposes and that there had never been any intention to collect more than the three millions necessary for the budget of the national committee.

The calling of the field officers and state finance directors as witnesses indicates the direction the inquiry will take. The Democrats propose to find out from these men what it was proposed to raise in the various cities and localities.

What actually happened in one state was learned from a Republican member of the finance committee of that state. According to him, the state quota testified to by Mr. Upham was handed over to the state finance representatives. They assigned to the cities and regions in the state sums to be collected largely in excess of Mr. Upham's state quota. The enthusiastic methods of the various liberty loans and Y. M. C. A. drives prevailed. In order to get the amount asked for from the state an amount was demanded of each locality whose total was much greater.

All Quotas Magnified
In some cases the quota asked for from a city was three times what would have been its reasonable share of the state quota fixed by Mr. Upham. In other cases double the reasonable share was asked for. In some instances communities volunteered to raise two or three times as much money as would have been necessary for them to raise in order to realize the quota fixed for the entire state. It is said that as such sums as local collectors set out to get have been collected, or even will be collected, or that any one ever seriously thought they could be generally collected.

If Governor Cox establishes his talking point there will be a disposition in political circles to place the blame upon the professional money raisers brought into the work collecting the campaign fund from the Liberty Loan and Y. M. C. A. drives. Said one Republican today: "These men did not realize how badly boasting about the vast sums they could raise would sound in politics. They were living in the atmosphere of the war money drives."

While it is probable that quotas for cities were fixed out of all proportion to the quotas for the state established by Mr. Upham, there is nothing yet to show that those given on the typewritten list made public by Governor Cox were the actual quotas assigned by local authorities or by Republican money drivers to the cities. The Democrats are striving to prove that the governor's quotas were correct and they hope to show it by the testimony of the men in the field who actually set out to collect the money in the various states and cities. That is their purpose in calling the state and local finance agents of the Republican party.

Democrats Maintain Stand
Their theory is that the Republican testimony so far has been false, that the amounts to be collected by the various cities were decided upon as Governor Cox charged by the national officials of the Republican party and that the list of quotas given out by the Democratic candidate was prepared by the responsible national officials of the party.

The best way to reconcile the conflicting evidence in the case is to assume that the national officials of the party merely made out the state quota and left the methods of collection within the states and the assignment of quotas to cities and localities to the state finance bodies. If the evidence the Democrats say they have established that the typewritten sheet of city quotas which Governor Cox had in his possession was made up at national headquarters

there are two theories which possibly account for it. One is that the professional money raisers drew up this list as a suggestion to their representatives in the various states. The other is that it may have been made up from reports from the various states of the quotas fixed by the local authorities, these reports having been sent to the professional money raisers at the national headquarters. All this assumes a certain authenticity for the Cox typewritten list, but that still remains to be proved.

As the state quotas aggregated over five million dollars, the doubling or tripling of them by local collectors would result in a very large total in quotas. The Republicans insist that most of this was merely "dream money." And there is not the slightest evidence of the actual collection of excessive sums of money. During the campaign the Democrats will probably insist that the Republicans really intended to collect the total amount of their quotas and were only stopped from doing so by Governor Cox's charges. And the Republicans will rest their case on the fact that they did not collect an excessive amount of money and never intended to do so. Probably this is the last campaign in which the professional money raiser will run loose without close supervision by party treasurers.

MURDER SUSPECT ENDS LIFE

Aged Man, Arrested on Suspicion, Hangs Himself in Jail Cell
Lafayette, Ind., Sept. 3.—(By A. P.)—Louis Doerwester, seventy years old, who was taken into custody yesterday as a suspect in connection with the death of A. G. Helper, whose charred body was found in the ruins of his burning home near Monga, Ind., Monday night, hanged himself in the county jail early today. He made a noose of a piece of blanket.

ADMIRAL GRINNELL DIES

American Officer Credited With Creating Japanese Navy
Boston, Sept. 3.—(By A. P.)—The death in St. Augustine, Fla., yesterday of Henry Walton Grinnell, a naval veteran of the Civil and Spanish Wars, who became an admiral in the Imperial Japanese navy, became known to relatives in this city today. His work in the training of seamen was said to have been largely responsible for the development of the Japanese navy, which turned back the Russian fleets.

Born in New Bedford eighty-four years ago, of a seafaring family, Grinnell fought with Farragut at New Orleans, and received honorable mention for running the Confederate lines with dispatch. He left the navy as a lieutenant at the close of the Civil War, and went to Japan, serving throughout the Sino-Japanese war. He was made a rear admiral of the new Japanese navy for his part in its quick growth to sea power.

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