

HIGH COST HITS ELECTION PLANS OF DEMOCRATS

National Committee Wants Ten Million Dollars for Campaign

PARTY VICTORIES HIGH Desperate Efforts Are Being Made to Raise Huge Sum by Contributions

Washington, Sept. 2.—Following on the recent embassy of National Chairman Cummings and his aides to many States of the West it will be recalled Mr. Cummings went to the White House and poured into the reluctant ear of the President a dismal tale about the condition of mind of the voters to the effect that they were disaffected toward the party in power, that they were holding the Administration responsible for the blunders of the war period, for extravagance, for high cost of living, and so on. It was set forth that the public was not overwhelmingly enthusiastic about the fact the President traveled in state to Paris and elsewhere in Europe and absented himself from business at home for about seven months. Some doubt regarding the income tax bequests made to Premier Lloyd George and other Britishers seems to exist. It is pointed out that if the principal from which the annuities are paid is sent to England, there will be only the inheritance tax to pay here, whereas, if the annuity is paid from this side, the beneficiaries abroad are subject to American income tax law.

D. Jamieson, Director of Finance of the Democratic National Committee, that he has begun for the Committee the task of raising between \$5,000,000 and \$10,000,000 to elect a Democratic President in 1920. Mr. Jamieson will employ about 1,000 persons and appeals for contributions will be sent out to millions of men and women. To indicate more clearly the extent of the alarm which is felt by the Administration's political chiefs, the remarkable nature of their effort by the unprecedented use of funds to purchase an election it should be added that the Democratic Committee in addition to its other liberal office room in Washington has taken three entire floors of a prominent office building on New York Avenue within sight of the Treasury and within hearing of the White House. These offices are now being fitted up and will be filled with an army of employees. Desperate efforts are being made by the Democratic National Committee to raise funds. Mr. Jamieson states that there will be 12,000,000 Democratic influence in the next campaign and he admits that the cost has gone up. It took \$1,100,000 to elect President Wilson and \$2,500,000 to re-elect him. The present appeal of the Democratic Director of Finance would, therefore, indicate that the longer the Democratic party remains in power the more expensive it becomes for the party as well as for the country at large.

Carnegie Inheritance Tax About \$7,000,000

New York, Sept. 2.—About \$7,000,000 of the \$30,000,000 left by the late Andrew Carnegie will find its way to the United States Treasury as inheritance taxes, according to an estimate made by tax experts here. Some doubt regarding the income tax bequests made to Premier Lloyd George and other Britishers seems to exist. It is pointed out that if the principal from which the annuities are paid is sent to England, there will be only the inheritance tax to pay here, whereas, if the annuity is paid from this side, the beneficiaries abroad are subject to American income tax law.

WAR VETERANS PLAN FOR FIRST STATE MEETINGS

270 American Legion Posts to Send Delegates Here Early Next Month

Posts of the American Legion in all parts of the State are rapidly completing plans for the first State convention to be held here October 2, 3 and 4. Two hundred and seventy posts are eligible for representation. The sessions of the convention will be held in the Penn-Harris Hotel. Governor William C. Sprout will officially welcome the returned soldiers, sailors and marines on behalf of the Commonwealth. The freedom of the city of Harrisburg will be extended by Mayor Daniel Keister. Major General William G. Price, Jr., commander-in-chief of the National Guard of Pennsylvania, a member of the national executive committee of the American Legion from Pennsylvania, who was present at the Paris caucus on March 17, 1919, when the American Legion was formed, will be one of the speakers. During the next week each of the posts in the State will elect their delegates to the state convention. Each post is entitled to a delegate and an alternate, and an additional delegate and alternate for each one hundred members. Since its organization in the latter part of May the legion has grown with leaps and bounds, so that Pennsylvania stands today the second in importance in the States of the Union, being surpassed only by New York.

Tentative Program Announced

The tentative program for the convention, as announced by Paul J. McGahan, the state publicity officer, has been arranged with the idea of giving the delegates the utmost freedom of action. The morning of Thursday, October 2, will be given over to registration and validation of credentials. The first session of the convention will be held in the afternoon. A chairman and a secretary for the convention will be chosen. Then the program for the convention will be adopted and the various committees named. An elaborate entertainment is planned for the evening. On the morning of Friday, October 3, there will be a meeting of the State executive committee and of the other committees of the convention. In the afternoon these committees will report and their reports will be acted upon. That night there will be another entertainment. Final reports will be submitted by the committees on Saturday morning, October 4. Then will follow the election of delegates, alternates and delegates at large to the National convention to be held at Minneapolis on November 10, 11 and 12.

State Delegates Apportioned

It has been officially announced that Pennsylvania will be entitled to four delegates and alternates to the National convention under the constitution and to one delegate and one alternate for each one thousand membership paid up thirty days before the National convention. In addition to these delegates and alternates authorized by the constitution of the American Legion, a number of delegates-at-large equal to twice the United States Senate and House of Representatives representation, is authorized. But this latter class will not have any vote at the National convention. This insures, however, that Pennsylvania will have one of the principal delegates to the great Minneapolis assemblage, where the American Legion will officially be launched as the great body of veterans of the war now reaching its conclusion. The direct result of the State convention will be the elimination of the volunteer workers who have carried the organization of the American Legion forward in this State. Their work having been completed to the point of making the convention possible, the first action will be to turn the convention over to the delegates representing the membership at large.

War Risk Insurance Favored

Each post during the present week will receive a copy of a resolution adopted by the National executive committee on the question of War Risk insurance. This is being sent out by G. Aertsen, Jr., the State secretary. Each post is requested to take prompt action on this most important subject and to communicate with the Congressman and Senators from Pennsylvania relative to it. The letter is as follows: There has been introduced in Congress a bill known as the Sweet bill, H. R. 8288, which amends the War Risk insurance act. This bill proposes four changes of major importance in the present law. These are: (1) An increase in the period of automatic insurance. (This amendment automatically insures any person who entered the service prior to November 11, 1918, for 120 days after entrance in the active service.) (2) An increase in the basis of awards in compensation cases of \$5, when disability is total and temporary, and to \$100 when the disability is total and permanent. (3) An increase in the class of beneficiaries of insurance to include uncles, aunts, nieces, nephews, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, and persons in loco parentis. (4) The payment of converted insurance, at the election of the insured, either in one lump sum, or in 36 or more instalments. It is believed by the National executive committee of the American Legion, that the proposed amendments should pass and that in addition thereto the law should be amended as follows: (1) To permit lump sum payments for term insurance as well as for converted insurance, and to place term insurance on the same basis, as to payments, as converted insurance thus enabling a man who cannot now afford to convert his insurance to have the same advantage as the man who is able to immediately convert. It is requested that each local post of the American Legion write its Congressman and also its United States Senator, urging the passage of the Sweet bill and also urging that the law be further amended so as to place term insurance exactly on the same basis, as to payments, as converted insurance.

Second Registration Day an Important Duty

Today is the second of the registration days and if you didn't register last week this is the next to the last opportunity. Every citizen should be qualified to participate in the primary and general elections. Registration is an essential preliminary. Go to your polling place during the hours fixed for day and evening.

LAWYER LURED TO HIS DEATH NOW IS THEORY

Arrest Dealer in High Grade Liquor and Woman Who Was in Automobile Containing 150 Quarts of Whisky; Colored Man Gives Evidence to Officers in Slaying Case

Nashville, Tenn., Sept. 2.—Working on the theory that Robin J. Cooper, prominent attorney, whose body was found in a creek near his home Saturday was murdered by an illicit liquor dealer, police last night arrested J. E. Feuston, and Casey Jordan, a woman, who are being questioned in regard to the murder. Both are being held without bail, and are charged with violating the Reed amendment. Feuston is also accused of carrying a pistol. The arrests indicated that the police had abandoned abruptly the theory on which they said they had built up a case yesterday—that blackmailers had killed the young lawyer—and had returned to their original belief that bootleggers had lured Cooper from his home and put him to death. According to the police, Feuston is a dealer in liquor of a high grade, and is thought to have made dealings with members of the exclusive clubs. When arrested Feuston and the woman were in an automobile containing, the police say, 150 quarts of whisky. Evidence that another automobile was involved in the tragedy was given the police by a negro farmer. He said he was driving his team home Thursday night about 10 o'clock, the hour fixed as the time for the murder when he saw some one slowly back an automobile off the road into the place where Cooper's automobile was found 33 hours later. Then a man leaped out of the ma-

U. S. Army Flyer Wins International Aero Derby

New York, Sept. 2.—Lieutenant B. W. Maynard of the United States army air service, won the International Aero Derby between Minnola, N. Y., and Toronto, covering the 1,000-mile round trip course in 45 1/2 minutes according to an official announcement made here by the Contest Committee of the American Flying Club. Lieut. H. H. George, whose flying time was 52 1/2 minutes, finished second. Leuit. D. Gish was third, with a flying time of 52 1/2 minutes. The contest committee said that the winners in the reliability test would be announced next Thursday. The three aviators finishing first in the Aero Derby were army pilots, who made the flight in DeLaird machines, equipped with 400-horsepower Liberty motors. The planes were entered in order to test the reliability of the American-made army machines. There were fifty-two airmen entered in the aero race. Of these, twenty-eight finished the round trip and three made second starts. Although several of the planes were wrecked either in landing or getting off, only one pilot suffered an injury in the international flight.

JAPAN GETS SUBS

Tokio, Sept. 2.—German submarines allotted to Japan have safely arrived at Yokohama where they are open to public inspection.

Many States Represented at Roosevelt Memorial Meeting

New York, Sept. 2.—A conference under the auspices of the Roosevelt Memorial Association will be held in the Hotel Waldorf-Astoria tomorrow, at which delegates from Connecticut, New York State, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the District of Columbia, will perfect plans for the campaign to be conducted in the week of October 20-27. The Roosevelt Memorial Association will raise \$5,000,000 by popular subscription throughout the United States to erect a monument to the late Theodore Roosevelt at Washington, and to establish a park in his honor at Oyster Bay.

Germans Pay France For Berlin Murder

Paris, Sept. 2.—Germany has paid France an indemnity of 1,000,000 francs for the murder of Sergeant Paul Mannheim, who was killed in the streets of Berlin by a German in July. The French government will make a

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gift of this amount to the international Red Cross. France originally claimed the payment by Germany of 100,000 francs for the family of Sergeant Mannheim and an indemnity of 1,000,000 francs. Germany readily agreed to pay the former sum, but at first declared she would not meet the demand for the indemnity.

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