

## COX FIRES FIRST GUN AT REPUBLICAN OPPOSITION

### Charges Republican Leadership With "Attempted Trickery of the American People in Opposing League of Nations."

Whelton, W. Va., Aug. 14.—Governor Cox today opened his Republican opposition, charging its leadership with "attempted trickery of the American people in opposing the league of nations, and with conducting a campaign behind a smoke screen" to secure partisan spoils.

That a "powerful contribution of interest is now attempting to buy government control" also was asserted of the Democratic presidential candidate charging that "millions and millions" were being raised in campaign contributions.

The governor closed his attack in an address here at the West Virginia Democratic convention. It was his first vigorous assault on the Republicans and was to be followed tonight by another address made to the general public.

Although advocacy of the league of nations, which the governor declared was "the greatest movement of rightness in the history of the world," was the main theme of the Democratic candidate's address, he also attacked again the Republican "senatorial oligarchy." "The Democrats," he added, "present a cause of constructive, progressive, economic service in peace and promise definitely a saving of \$2,000,000,000 annually in government expenses."

"A graver probability rests with the Democratic party," said Governor Cox. "Through its policies and conduct it must render good faith in behalf of the nation, of the soldiers of the war and of our allies who helped us achieve victory. It is not a partisan affair. The campaign this year is not a contest for the triumph of a political party. It is purely a matter of concluding a duty to civilization and doing it as quickly as prudent consideration of our country's interest suggests."

"Leadership in a great moral question has been given to the Democrats for the simple reason that the 'senatorial oligarchy' which for the time being has assumed control of the Republican party, has abandoned the idealism of other days."

"We shall not alone make appeal to the electorate by contrasting the rule of economic thought that have prevailed in this country has been placed by senatorial intrigue and to the very definite program of action, we pledge. It is unnecessary to recall the issues of the war. They were well marked in the public mind. We were willing to sacrifice in behalf of the next generation, because preceding generations had sacrificed for us. After all, that is the vital thing in civilization. We resisted a world wide menace, and we intend now to establish permanent protection against another menace. We know how easily war came in the past. We want to make their coming definite in the future. We have a definite plan. The American people understand it and after March 4th, 1921, it is our purpose to put it into practical operation without continuing months of useless discussion."

"The platform of our party gives us the opportunity to render moral cooperation in the great movement of regeneration in the history of the world and at the same time to hold our own interests free from peril. Our position is plain. The circumstances in the last 18 months convict the Republican leadership with attempted trickery with the American people. Under one pretext after another they

prevented the readjustment of national conditions. They imposed certain restrictions to league of nations, and then they were abandoned, to be followed by nothing more definite than the announcement of a hope that an entirely new arrangement might be made in world affairs.

"What method they have in mind, if it is generally in any one's mind, the people do not know. No unprejudiced person can deny that the consequence of abandoning the league and attempting an entirely new project will be long delayed. If the voters of the republic, without regard to party, desire action, and prompt action, along lines that are now clearly understood, they will render a verdict so overwhelmingly expressive of public indignation that scheming politicians for years to come will not forget."

"In the face of an efficient Democratic leadership during the war, and of constructive, progressive, economic service in peace, the Republican leaders developed a smoke screen, behind which they seek to gain their objective, the spoils of office. For years the best thought and the humanitarian impulses of civilized countries have been applied to the high purpose of making war practically impossible. The league of nations became the composite agreement, and now the senatorial oligarchy meets it with the absurd plea that it increases the possibility of armed conflict. It not only reveals unworthy intent, but a very poor estimate of American justice as well."

Declaring for "square dealing between men and no preference under government" Governor Cox warned against distortion of the basic principles of the government, and added:

"A powerful combination of interests is now attempting to buy governmental control. They are raising millions and millions of dollars into a campaign fund. Just how it will be used the future alone can tell. We do know it is being employed now to arouse racial discontent, to breed unrest, and to fog the public mind. The movement is based upon greed and selfishness, and if successful will result in an extreme reaction and a disorganized society.

"The government, they state, demean themselves under the vigilant restraining eye of a governmental policy based upon the golden rule. They have their own notions about the settlement of industrial disputes. They would enforce them with their puppets in office. They would continue profiteering and reestablish the rule of government by the few. They would establish a class feeling and make fair and honest readjustment impossible."

The proposal of the Democrats to cut two billion dollars from Federal expense Governor Cox said also would guard against its multiplication many times in "illegal profits" and high living costs.

Two West Virginians, John W. Davis, American ambassador to Great Britain, and Arthur B. Koons, Democratic nominee for governor, were praised by Governor Cox. The former, the speaker said, would have been supported with "the enthusiasm and glee which his high character and statesmanlike qualities deserve" if he had won the party nomination at San Francisco. Mr. Koons' wife, Governor Cox said, evinces "stalwart worth" while his career and capacity, he said, have attracted general interests.

## STATE CAMPAIGN MEETING TODAY

The state campaign meeting was held here today in the court house, J. A. Sawyer, county chairman, presiding. There was present 300 citizens to hear the speakers. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. L. J. McGhee.

First speaker introduced was D. L. Smith, of Colleton, candidate for railroad commissioner. By agreement of the candidates, he was allowed to speak out of his turn. He said in part: "You would think that the chairman of the railroad commission was pleading the cause of the railroad, this in face of the government's guarantee of 5 per cent profit plus 2 per cent for depreciation. The people of my own county have endorsed me by a large majority."

For Adjutant General, Col. W. W. Moore first introduced. He to answer as custodian of your interests for the past 10 years. Among the things I have accomplished for the National Guard is to secure larger appropriations, to have along with others, aided in securing aid for the National Guard from the federal government; South Carolina stands in the middle of the column in the matter of perfecting the National Guard. Men, particularly retired soldiers, have been slow to join the National Guard because they have been in the war and are weary. Read a list covering several pages of signatures to an endorsement for reelection to the position of adjutant general. Letter of commendation from Gen. D. Frost was read by General Moore, also several other letters of prominent men. My opponents tell you that we are conservative, a new era, but having performed our duties, I have not neglected to keep abreast of the times. I have served in the National Guard for the past 10 years, beginning as a private and traveling up.

Col. A. H. Marchant next introduced as candidate for adjutant general. "That factionalism is based upon party and deliberately maintained upon the basis of qualifications for the office sought. We have a new dawn of a new era. Since 1914, evolution has been on. We have changed in military service in the period than in 100 years previous. I stand for a new National Guard, Bolshevism, and a new threat to our life and property. The National Guard, Office of Adjutant General should be filled by an untested military man, a graduate of the Citadel, served in the American war and volunteered for service in France. Read a list of names of prominent men who have endorsed his candidacy."

For Lieutenant Governor, First candidate called was Octavius Cohen, but was found not to be present.

Mr. Wilson G. Harvey was next called. Expressed delight over being permitted to renew pleasant acquaintances. You need to elect a business man, and a man qualified to preside over the senate, and in case of the death of the governor to fill that important and honored position. I feel that I possess the necessary knowledge. The farmers of Charleston, my native county, have endorsed me. I have the endorsement of both labor and peace; dissent and strife we have had enough! I stand for education. South Carolina stands at the foot of the column in illiteracy. I stand for the mental development of the state. I stand for good roads. For 15 years I have spoken for good roads. I stand for development of rural communities and for law and order. Read his record as outlined in the circular which he is handing out. Bear in mind in selecting your official: Charleston, for 25 years never had a state office, I therefore urge this as an additional reason for selecting me to the office. I do not need the money but would like the honor of the office. Remember the man in the middle. Scratch the lawyer at the top and vote for Wilson G. Harvey.

Capt. O. K. Mauldin of Greenville next introduced. You do not care or know anything about my personal matters, but you want to know what are my qualifications. I have long desired the honor of the position, a position that has for some time been regarded as of no great importance. I will have to tell you some of the things I have done and for which I stand. Attended the Citadel and Furman University, volunteered for Spanish-American war, was in the legislature when the recent war broke out. I volunteered and served in France. I do not deserve credit for serving, but it is a matter of satisfaction that I helped kill German imperialism. I stand for the needful and necessary things that build up. I stand for prohibition. I stood for it when it was not popular. I stand for good roads, and for paying taxes to get them. I believe in good roads, but not in the tyrannical infringement of the people's rights as was done by the Greenville delegation. People should pass upon such matters. "A school for every child and every child in school" is my slogan. Equalization of taxation is another of my convictions. I stand for the development of the state and for State's Rights. I do not oppose woman suffrage, but oppose the Susan B. Anthony amendment. It is an infringement of local state government.

The absence of Mr. Cohen was mentioned by both the other candidates for lieutenant governor, both expressing regret that he had been unavoidably hindered. A telegram from Chairman Shealey expressing regret that he could not be present, was read by Chairman Sawyer.

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## COTTON USED DURING JULY

Washington, Aug. 14.—Cotton consumption during July amounted to 625,599 bales of lint and 37,703 bales of linters, the Census Bureau announced today.

Consumption in July a year ago was 628,323 bales of lint and 22,368 of linters.

On hand July 31, in consuming establishments was 1,356,777 bales of lint and 274,741 of linters, compared with 1,303,418 of lint and 205,212 of linters held a year ago in public storage and at consumers. Consumed during July a year ago, compared with 2,077,000 of lint and 227,358 of linters a year ago.

Spindles active during July a year ago, compared with 19,403 a year ago.

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## PONZI AND PALS IN CRIME HELD BY FEDERAL AUTHORITIES

### If Released on Bond Ponzi Will Be Charged Under Blanket Warrant With Larceny in 35 Counts.

Boston, August 14.—Bank Commissioner Joseph C. Allen, today took charge of the affairs of the Polish Industrial Association conducting a private bank at 37 Cross street in this city. Henry H. Chimielski, President of the Hanover Trust Company, the chief depository of Charles Ponzi, which was closed last Wednesday by the commissioner, is president of the Industrial Association.

Bank Commissioner Allen said that the loans of the Association were either bad or of doubtful value and there was very little cash left. He said its affairs were hopelessly interwoven with those of the Hanover Trust Company. The capital of the Association is \$31,177 and it had deposits of about \$350,000.

Ponzi had his breakfast in the Middlesex County jail in east Cambridge, a prisoner of the United States government in default of \$25,000 bond.

The officers of the Old Colony Foreign Exchange Company, a rival concern of Ponzi's Security Exchange Company, had their morning meals in the Charles street jail, prisoners of the commonwealth in default of \$50,000 bond each. Samuel Zorp, said to be an employee of the Old Colony Foreign Exchange Company, was at headquarters awaiting a hearing on a charge of larceny of \$500 from persons unknown. He also had spent the night in jail.

The three officers of the company who were held are Charles M. Brightwell, president and treasurer of the concern; Raymond Meyers, office manager, and Fred Meyers, Sales Agent. The Meyers are brothers. The men were held on technical charges of larceny of \$500 from persons unknown. Upon representation of Albert Hurwitz, Assistant Attorney General, that the company's transactions probably would be shown to have amounted to hundreds of thousands of dollars, the bonds were set at a high figure.

Ponzi, whose bondsman surrendered him yesterday to the federal authorities, was confronted with the alternative of remaining in the federal custody or, if he could find another bondsman, of being arrested again by the

commonwealth on a blanket warrant issued in the municipal court, charging him with larceny in 53 counts, totaling \$24,000.

The authorities were said to be determined that the sensational finances should remain in custody, the principal reason for this being a desire to preserve for his creditors whatever assets he may have and the fear that Ponzi might seek to dissipate or transfer them if out on bail. Edwin L. Pride, federal auditor of Ponzi's accounts has placed the latter's known liabilities at \$8,000,000 and Ponzi claimed assets of about \$4,000,000.

Boston, Aug. 14.—Referring to the possible transfer of large sums by Ponzi to his wife, Mr. Pride said:

"It can be taken away from her and it will be. It does not belong to her. It is money that was obtained under fraudulent pretenses, to be used for fraudulent purposes."

Ponzi withheld from his wife the news of his surrender by his bondsmen. He telephoned to her before going to jail that he was remaining in Boston during the night to go over his books with an auditor. Mrs. Ponzi reassured her faith in her husband.

"He is honest," she said, "and I will stay by him to the end."

Examination of the books of the Hanover Trust Company, in which he was a stockholder and director was continued today by members of Bank Commissioner Allen's staff.

"Nothing has developed so far to lead me to believe that the depositors will lose one dollar," Mr. Allen said. "The Hanover Trust Company is the only trust company in New England that is involved in Ponzi's failure."

The financial district was concerned yesterday when a small run was made on several trust companies, due, it was said, to reports that other financial institutions would be involved in Ponzi's affairs. There was no indication today of continuance of withdrawals in other than normal quantities.

Mr. Allen has caused the state seal to be placed on all safe deposit boxes in the Hanover Trust Company used by Ponzi or officers or employees of the bank. He said this was done in precaution against the possibility of securities or other valuables being removed from the institution's affairs.

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

The pastor will preach at both hours tomorrow, 11 a. m. and 8.15 p. m. The subjects will be "The Divine Quickening" and "Successful Sinning."

After the services tomorrow the pastor's vacation begins. The pulpit will be filled during the vacation only as the deacons and church may make provision and give announcement concerning the services. The Sunday school sessions and the meetings of the B. Y. P. U. will be held as usual. The pastor and church invite the public to attend the services tomorrow.

Edw. S. Reaves, Pastor.

## COBB- LAND

Miss Elizabeth Cobb of this city and H. I. Land, of Jacksonville, Fla., were married this morning at the Baptist parsonage, the ceremony being performed by Dr. E. S. Reaves, pastor of the First Baptist church.

Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Land left for a honeymoon journey to the mountains of North Carolina, followed by the good wishes of a host of friends for a long and happy life.

Miss Margaret Allen, who has been the guest of Miss Pauline Blair for several weeks, will return to her home at Atlanta Sunday. Several friends will accompany her to Spartanburg.

## BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. J. Roy Fant, of Lockhart, announce the birth of a son, August 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Lowndes J. Browning and Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Adams, of Sedalia left this afternoon for the mountains of North Carolina to spend sometime.

Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Cooper and Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cooper attended a family reunion in Spartanburg yesterday.

## GIFT FROM BLUE EYES

Blue Eyes, who is in Camden, N. J., could not be present at the Correspondents picnic, but she remembered the picnickers and sent paper dishes, forks and spoons for their convenience. The package arrived too late for the picnic Saturday, but they have been put away very carefully for another trip. The Correspondents join with the editor in thanking Blue Eyes for this kind thought.

## NEGRO REFUSED ANOTHER TRIAL

Savannah, Ga., Aug. 14.—Shorty Ford, a negro, twice convicted and sentenced to hang on a charge of attacking a white woman in Brooks County, Georgia, in May, 1918, was today denied another new trial by Judge Peter W. Meldrim, in the Chatham County Superior Court. The negro was to have been hanged here yesterday, but the motion acted as a supersedeas.

## PERSONAL MENTION

Mr. and Mrs. Ferd Lawson, of Sumter, stopped over in Union with Mrs. Alice Williams yesterday, returning from a fortnights stay in the mountains of North Carolina.

Mrs. D. J. Gregory and Miss Lois Gregory, of Santuc, were shopping in the city Saturday.

Mrs. J. D. Arthur and Mrs. L. G. Young have returned from a visit to Glenn Springs.

Misses Leonora and Alice Arthur are in Tryon, N. C., for a visit to Misses Rose and Isabel Wilcox.

J. D. Arthur, cashier of the Merchants and Planters National Bank, has returned from his vacation trip spent in Chicago, Washington and other points of interest.

Mrs. M. J. Barnes, of Greenville, and Miss Edith Barnes of Roanoke, Va., who have been visiting Mrs. P. B. Barnes on South Church street, left yesterday for Rock Hill to visit relatives before returning home.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Storm will leave tomorrow for New York and other points of interest. Mr. Storm will purchase goods for the Storm's Drug Store in preparation for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Wolling (Ethel Webber) who have been visiting at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Webber, near Union, have returned to Eastover.

Mrs. Edgar Norman (Alba Walker) is visiting her mother, Mrs. B. F. Walker at Coleraine.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Young (Lily Fant) and children, of Atlanta, Ga., will arrive tomorrow to visit their mother, Mrs. Ora B. Fant on East Main street.

Little Murray Fant, of Lockhart, is spending sometime with his grandmother, Mrs. Ora B. Fant.

## WEATHER

Forecast for South Carolina: Local showers probably tonight and Sunday.

Washington, Aug. 14.—Weather predictions for the week beginning Monday, are:

Middle Atlantic States: The outlook is for warm and general fair weather, but with a probability of local showers Wednesday or Thursday.

South Atlantic and East Gulf States: The outlook is for normal temperature and occasional local showers and thunderstorms. There are no indications at this time of a disturbance in the West Indies.

## WALKERS REPLY TO PRESIDENT

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 14.—Speaker Seth Walker of the Tennessee house of representatives, today replied to telegram of President Wilson in which was expressed the hope that the house would concur in the senate's action on the resolution ratifying the suffrage amendment. The reply follows:

"I have the profound honor to acknowledge your wire of August 13. I do not attempt to express the views of other members of the lower house of Tennessee, but speak for myself alone, which on the Anthony amendment are contrary to yours. You were too great to ask it, and I do not believe that men of Tennessee will surrender honest convictions for political expediency or harmony."

## LIGHTNING KILLS WAR VETERAN

Paterson, N. J., Aug. 14.—Richard J. Foran, who survived the world war with 22 wounds while a member of the 309th Machine Gun Battalion, was killed by lightning today, while seeking shelter beneath a tree during a severe thunderstorm. Two companions had left a moment before he was killed.

## INCREASE RATES

Ottawa, Aug. 14.—The Dominion Board of Railway Commissioners today granted increases in through rates to United States roads in Canada to conform with those recently approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington. These increases apply to all commodities except coal and coke.

## CENSUS

Washington, Aug. 14.—State of Indiana 2,930,544, increase 229,668 or 8.5 per cent. Quincy, Ills., 35,987, decrease 609 or 1.7 per cent.

## DEPORTED TO CANADA

New York, August 14.—Arthur Ecrement, former member of the Canadian House of Parliament, whose name was drawn into New York's "five million dollar bond plot," was secretly deported to Canada last night, it was learned at Ellis Island last night.

Ecrement, whose role in the "bond plot" was that of a witness is said to be wanted by consideration authorities in connection with an alleged wire tapping scheme in Buffalo and Montreal.