

RUNNING THE SENATE

Number of States Must Elect Senators This Year.

NUMEROUS CANDIDATES ARE OUT

La Follette of Wisconsin Will Have Hard Fight On His Hands—Bryan Expected to Run for Senate in Florida.

Washington, D. C.—The situation in several of the states regarding the coming senatorial primaries and elections was contained in a previous Haskins letter. The present situation in ten other states, from the best information obtainable at this time, has been collected, and is set forth here.

In Rhode Island both the Republican and Democratic nominations seem assured. Judging from present indications, Peter Goellet Gerry, the present senator, will be renominated, and the Republicans are expected to give the nomination to former Governor G. L. Beckman without serious opposition. The real fight in Rhode Island will come at the regular election in November. Both Gerry and Beckman have the record of never having sustained a defeat at the hands of their constituents. It is not possible to forecast the outcome of their contest.

Pennsylvania will elect two senators this autumn, due to the recent deaths of Senator Know and Penrose. Governor Spruill appointed William E. Crow to succeed Philander Chase Knorr and George Wharton Pepper to succeed Boise Penrose. It is believed that both of these appointed senators will be candidates for the nominations for the regular terms, although Senator Crow has been in such poor health that he is seldom seen on the floor of the senate. This may have an influence in his case. It was thought for a time that Governor Spruill would be a candidate for one of the senate seats, but he has denied this. No Democrats have come forward as yet, Democratic opposition in Pennsylvania being only a matter of form.

In West Virginia, Senator Howard Sutherland has no opposition in the Republican ranks at the time this is written, and none is expected. On the Democratic side, former Senators Chilton and Watson loom up as the two big contestants in the primary, although neither is yet out in the open. On account of the troubles in the coal mines and the unrest among the miners, Senator Sutherland may have a hard battle on his hands. Events between now and election day will have a strong bearing on the outcome of the election.

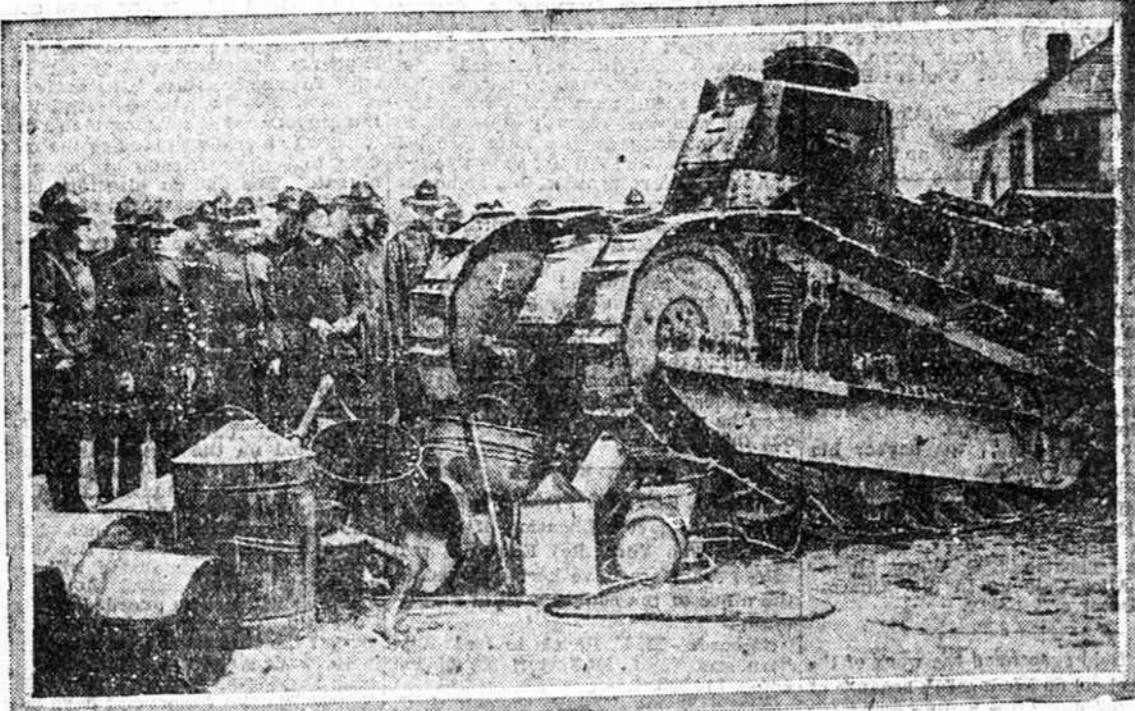
Senator Swanson is Opposed. In Virginia, of course the main interest is in the Democratic nomination. Senator Claude Swanson is a candidate to succeed himself, and his chief opponent is expected to be Governor Westmoreland Davis. Senator Swanson, it is expected, will have the support of the old backers of the late Senator Martin. Governor Davis, however, is personally popular and has had a successful administration as governor of the state, and the contest may prove a close one. The Republican side of the situation is not of much importance.

The situation in Florida this year has an interest for the whole country, as there is the repeated suggestion that William Jennings Bryan, three times candidate for president on the Democratic ticket, and former secretary of state in Woodrow Wilson's cabinet, will seek the seat now occupied by Park Trammell. Many believe that Mr. Bryan changed his residence from Nebraska to Florida in order to be ready for the fight this year. Senator Trammell will have the advantage of living longer in the state and can class Mr. Bryan as a political invader. While not discounting Mr. Bryan's nationally known capabilities as a campaigner, Senator Trammell's friends are optimistic as to the outcome. The Republican situation in this state is unimportant.

In Mississippi, another fight within the ranks of the Democrats is the chief point of interest. Some time ago Senator John Sharp Williams announced that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself this autumn, and nothing has happened to change his views. Former Senator James K. Vardaman, who was ousted a few years ago by Senator Byron P. Harrison, has declared himself a candidate, but he has two opponents already. One is a woman, Miss Belle Kearney, but as Mississippi does not look with much favor upon women suffrage, Miss Kearney is not now regarded as a serious contender for the senate seat. The strong candidate against ex-Senator Vardaman is former Representative Hubert Stephens, who will have the strong support of Senator Williams and of Senator Harrison. Other candidates may enter the race, but at this time this is regarded as doubtful. A Republican will be named, no doubt, but merely as a matter of form.

Tennessee is Battle Ground. Senator Kenneth McKellar is a candidate to succeed himself in Tennessee, and thus far has two opponents for the Democratic nomination on a "blue Sunday" issue. The other contestant is Judge G. P. Fitzhugh, of Memphis. The McKellar partisans are using the argument against Judge Fitzhugh that he stumped the state in 1910 for the Republican candidate for governor, Ben Hooper, who was elected. In the Republican primary the same Hooper is expected to be a candidate, with the main opposition likely to come from Assistant Secretary of Commerce Claudius Huston. The outcome of the election in November depends in great measure on the results of the primaries.

FOR ONCE THE TANKS AND STILLS ARE ENEMIES.



This photograph shows one of the baby United States army tanks called into service to destroy moonshine stills that were recently captured at Newport, Ky., by State troops under command of Col. H. Dinehardt.

In Texas a number of candidates are at present in the lists for the Democratic nomination. Senator Culberson is a candidate to succeed himself. At this time it is expected that Representative Lucian Parrish will oppose him. Clarence Ousley, of Fort Worth, is expected to put up a fight, as is Cullen Thomas, of Dallas, a brother-in-law of Senator Morris Sheppard. Former Governor Colquitt is another contender. Before the primary is held some of these men may withdraw, or others may enter the race. Friends of Senator Culberson say that the more candidates there are in the field the better his chances are of winning the nomination again, which means, of course, the election.

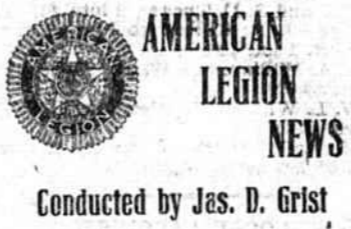
The opponents of Senator Culberson may make an effort to agree on one man to oppose him, but according to Texans here, not much progress has been made in that direction. Senator Culberson is not in the best of health and cannot make much of a campaign, but he has a strong machine in the state.

"Bob" La Follette Up Again. Senator La Follette is up again for the nomination in Wisconsin, and while there has been a great deal of talk about him and against him, as the situation is at present, no strong Republican has been brought forward to oppose him for the nomination. He has been opposed in the matter of having patronage withheld, largely because he is regarded as a menace to party solidarity. No outstanding figure has appeared in the Democratic camp to contest the election in November. The primary in Wisconsin is a late one, though, the situation may be changed materially before the end of the summer.

TO EMPLOY GUARDS. Banditry So Threatening That Pittsburgh Bankers Take Notice.

That one employe of every bank in Pittsburgh who is an expert in the handling of arms should be detailed to guard the institution against bandits was the suggestion given in a statement to members of the Pennsylvania Bankers' association by the committee on protective information. The suggestion stated that one man who is actively engaged in business transactions should be provided with fire arms to act in case of an emergency.

Another suggestion was that every bank which does not have an employe to act in such a capacity, should provide for a sharp shooter of recognized ability to act in case of emergency.



Conducted by Jas. D. Grist

Here's luck to Hope Byers Post No. 99 of Sharon the baby post of the legion in York county. The officers elected at the recent organization meeting are a live bunch and they should be able to make things hum. Already Sharon Legionnaires are talking about putting out a baseball team this summer. There is plenty of good baseball material among members of the post and they can put out a husky bunch if they want to.

Seed for Soldiers.

Congressman W. F. Stevenson, who by the way, favors the soldier bonus, wrote the service officer of Meech Stewart Post the other day that he was sending along another couple of hundred packages of seed for distribution to ex-soldiers. The seed haven't been received yet but doubtless they'll be coming along in a few days. Anyway the S. O. has some on hand now. Quite a number of fellows have been in for them lately and if you haven't gotten yours you had better be stepping lively. Mr. Stevenson says they'll sprout all right.

How About Disabled Men?

Is there a disabled soldier in your community—some fellow whose disability was incurred while he was in the service? If there is tell him to see me about it. State Commander Morris Lumpkin of Columbia wrote a few days ago that he would be glad to send a representative of the Veterans' Bureau to Yorkville any time to examine men who believe they have a just claim for government compensation or hospital treatment. I have the names of seven men at the present time and if there are any others I'd like to know in order that all cases might be taken up when the representative comes here at a date to be announced later.

Attend the Conference. It is hoped that every post commander and post adjutant in York county will attend the conference of post commanders and post adjutants in Columbia on March 10. Hanford MacNider, national commander of the legion will be there at that time and so will all the officials of the state de-

partment. State Commander Lumpkin hopes that every post commander and post adjutant in the state will be present on March 10, and every official should make an effort to be there.

Joined the Legion. George W. Key, a young farmer recently moved to York county with his father from the boll weevil section of Georgia. One of the first things he did after getting into God's country was to join Meech Stewart Post of the American Legion.

A Matter of Money. "Quite a number of ex-service men living near town have not joined the legion because they haven't sold their cotton and are without money—as a matter of fact hard up," said Commander T. Mack Ferguson of Meech Stewart Post the other day. "I have noticed, however, that a number of them who have recently sold cotton have made it a point to pay their annual dues to the post adjutant as soon as they got hold of the lucre."

A CHANCE FOR SLEEP. Government Working Out Scheme for Sound Proof Walls.

The science that is going to make it possible for us to hear ants talk may soon make it impossible for us to hear the family budget discussed next door—or to detect the scratch in the phonograph record upstairs every time it is played. Noiseless apartment houses are on the horizon.

The Bureau of Standards, Washington has been working on the matter for several years and at last is rigging

BARR'D FROM MAILS

Congress Is After Wildcat Stock Salesmen.

That the American people annually invest about \$500,000,000 in gold bricks, wildcat mining and oil prospects, and other get-rich-quick schemes, is testimony before the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee.

To protect them is the object of a Federal "blue-sky" measure ordered favorably reported. It will be laid before the house this week by Representative Denison, its author.

This bill is patterned after the Webb-Kenyon Prohibition Act barring the shipment of liquors into states that had already passed prohibition laws. Section 2 provides:

"That it shall be unlawful after the passage of this act for any person at any place in any state, territory or district of the United States to deposit, or cause to be deposited in, or to be carried or delivered by the United States mails, or to deposit with, or cause to be deposited with, or to be carried, transported or delivered by any railroad company, express company, or other agency of interstate commerce any security or securities for sale or delivery to any person in any other state, territory or district of the United States in which it is at that time unlawful to sell, offer for sale, tender for sale or delivery to such person, subscriptions to or orders for such security or securities."

Exception is made in the case of federal or state securities and those of other governments; those issued by federal banks, railroad or public service utilities that are already regulated, charitable, educational, benevolent, fraternal or reformatory organizations, stock exchanges and certain notes.

As a first punishment for violation of the act an offender will be liable to fine of \$2,000 and two years' imprisonment or both. For any subsequent offense the fine would be \$5,000 or imprisonment for five years.

HATCHED IN HIS POCKET

Man Picked Up an Egg and Forgot That He Had It.

Robert S. Porter, a Paris, Ky., business man, while in Lexington, Ky., the other day, told of an unusual occurrence, the truth of which he vouches for.

He says Charles Madison, a Nicholas county farmer, was sitting in the lobby of the Paris Court House near a radiator which was giving heat

TEACHER BRIDE QUITS.

Preceptress Who Married Pupil Avoids Strike of Scholars.

A protest strike of the pupils of the high school at Avon because of the secret marriage of Mrs. Laura Slocum Spencer, 45, and her 19-year-old pupil, Neil Cushing, has been averted by the resignation of Mrs. Spencer-Cushing as preceptress in the high school.

More than 100 students had arranged to be absent tomorrow, says a Rochester, N. Y., dispatch of last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Cushing, parents of the youthful bridegroom, will not discuss the marriage and appear to be much depressed. The boy declares he will finish his school year and hopes to be graduated.

The farmer presented the chicken to Deputy Sheriff Gibson of Paris, who will attempt to raise the fowl.

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A BRIDESMAID AT THE ROYAL WEDDING.



Lady Mary Cambridge, who will be one of the attendants of her cousin, Princess Mary, at the coming marriage. She is the only daughter of the Earl of Athlone, youngest brother of Queen Mary.