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## HOOVER'S WARNING

THERE IS A word of sensible warning to labor as a whole in the Newark speech of Herbert Hoover which may well be heeded.

After reviewing the remarkable progress made by the great body of workers in recent years, Mr. Hoover said:

"At such a time as this a change in national policies involves not as some may lightly think, only a choice between different roads by either of which we may go forward, but a question also as to whether we may not be taking the wrong road and moving backward. The measure of our national prosperity, of our stability, of our hope of further progress at this time, is the measure of what we may risk through a change in present policies."

## FOOTBALL

FOOTBALL IS A game of spirit as much as of brawn. It is not to the beefy only that the glories of the game redound. Flesh without spirit is a drug on the market. But the two in combination can achieve victory.

Yesterday afternoon the Las Vegas football team had its first tryout game. Having had but a few days of practice there was nothing phenomenal in the play, but one could see in the forming team the spirit which makes for victory. Neither is brawn lacking, the Las Vegas boys being a husky, hard-hitting bunch.

Spirit, that priceless thing which in after life brings success to its devotees, is being finely developed in Las Vegas High School. And much of the credit is due to football.

## FIFTH STREET PAVING

THE STATE HIGHWAY Department is making good progress in the oil-bound gravel paving of the highway from Jean toward Las Vegas. About eight miles of this improvement has been completed and the work is gradually nearing Las Vegas.

It would be a splendid thing for Las Vegas, especially for the owners of property on Fifth street, if that street within the city limits could be paved its entire width at the time the state does the 18-foot strip in the middle.

The property owners have by a large majority signed a petition to have that work done, but the legal requirements are such that it now appears almost impossible for the city to complete them in time to cooperate with the highway department.

It has occurred to the Age that it is entirely feasible for a small committee representing the property owners to take charge of the matter, collect the necessary money from property owners according to the frontage and carry the improvement through without the necessity of going through all the technical legal formalities which are necessary if the city does it.

The amount which each property owner would have to pay is relatively small. The sentiment for having the improvement made is practically unanimous, but there are some who may not find it convenient to pay the entire amount due from them at one time. In such cases it seems that the committee could readily arrange for the private financing of such amounts.

It is obvious that the value of Fifth street frontage will be increased if the paving is put in from curb to curb by an amount far greater than the cost.

## KINDERGARTEN

IN THIS ISSUE of the Age is an article by a member of the Age staff, written from first hand observation of Las Vegas Kindergarten schools.

To the Editor, the article is quite enlightening. Like many of our readers probably, we have had a vague, indefinite idea that the chief value of the Kindergarten is to get the child off its mother's hands a little earlier in life.

A reading of the article convinces us that the Kindergarten grade is one of the most important of all in the education and development of our children.

## GOING SOME

A PITIFUL CONDITION is disclosed by the news that the State has issued all its automobile license plates and whoever buys a car in some counties between now and New Years will have to be content with a slip of paper tied around the steering wheel.

The state has ordered 31,000 license plates, orange and black, for the next year.

The number of licenses for motor vehicles issued by Clark county this year so far is 2204.

Nevada has one motor car for each 2 1-2 of its population, which indicates that Nevadans are going some.

## REGISTER AND VOTE

THE KIWANIS CLUB is taking the lead in this city in a campaign to get out the vote at the coming general election.

The movement is a most laudable one. Neglect of the franchise has become so prevalent as to be almost a menace to our form of government. It is difficult to get the individual voter to realize how important it is that he cast his vote at every election, including the primary. He seems to think that his one vote won't be missed, but when many think the same thing at the same time we find that more than fifty per cent of our voters are taking no part at all in the election.

The Kiwanis Club lead in this work should be followed by all other service clubs and civic organizations in the effort to educate every voter as to his important duty on election day.

## PICTORIAL LIFE OF HERBERT HOOVER

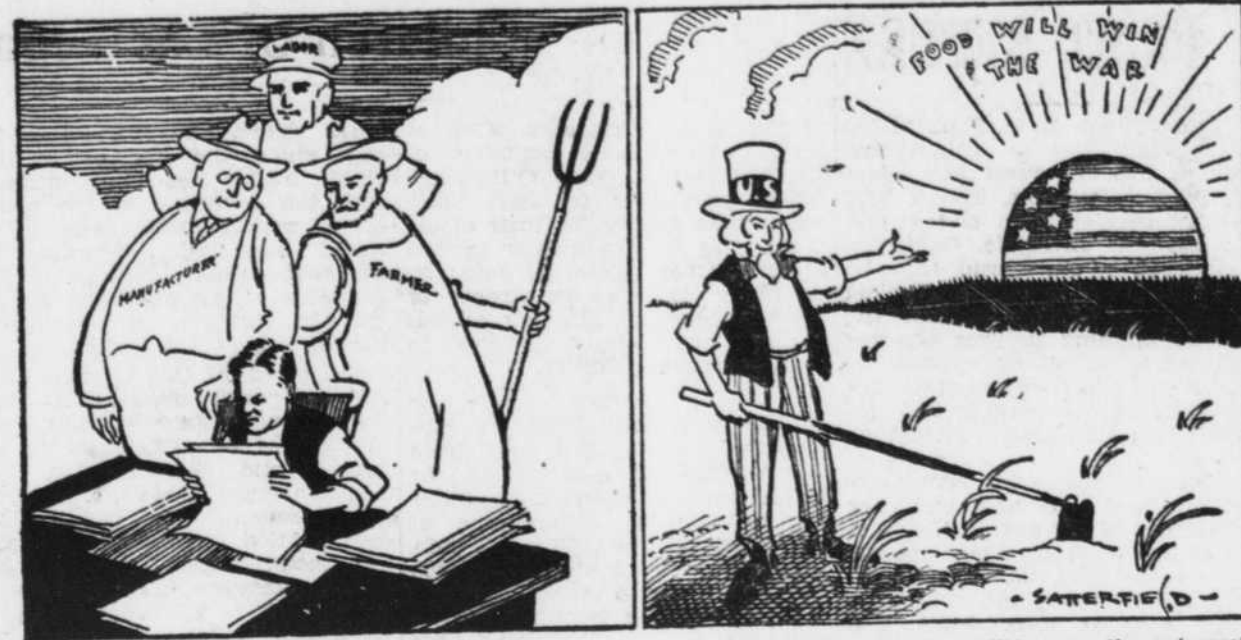
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By Satterfield



1. When the submarines brought America into the war, Hoover reported for duty in Washington.

2. Appointed food administrator, he faced the job of feeding one-third of the civilized world.



3. All groups and classes stood behind him and cooperated in the great task.

4. "Food will win the war" became a household word.

## Georgia Democrats Confident; Florida Inspires Rivals' Hopes

By OLIVER S. MORTON

(Associated Press Staff Writer)

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 22 (AP)—

Nothing short of a miracle can keep Georgia's electoral vote out of the democratic column in November but political observers, at this stage of the campaign, are looking somewhat dubiously toward Florida.

Never since reconstruction days have voters in the two states been so disturbed by the question confronting them and not for many years have the democrats been compelled to set up such extensive campaign organizations.

Prohibition, religion, Tammany Hall and the negro question are chief among the many issues that have troubled the minds of the voters in both states since the Georgia and Florida delegations at Houston lost their bitter struggle against the nomination of Gov. Alfred E. Smith.

Immediately accepting the challenge, party leaders in Georgia succeeded in clarifying the situation, but in their opinion, to such an extent within a few weeks that their campaign became centered not merely to assure that the state would remain in the Solid South rank but to keep it there by the greatest majority ever.

In Florida the campaign was somewhat later getting under way but with intensive organization going forward in every county, democratic leaders have asserted confidence that the state will be held to its traditional course. With the large number of republican settlers from other states and many prominent defections from the democratic ranks, however, the situation was deemed a serious one. Republicans constantly have asserted that Florida will go for Herbert Hoover and they hope to elect William J. Howey as governor.

Some Florida business men, who have been accustomed to vote democratic have said they will support Hoover because if Florida can become a doubtful state federal appropriations will be more easily obtained. The majority dissent from Governor Smith's announced views on the liquor question, and Florida democratic leaders, as have those in Georgia, blame prejudice against Smith's religion for many defections.

The intensive campaign in both states has been directed against propaganda that has invoked the religious issue and toward convincing the voters that the president cannot change the prohibition laws as long as congress is dry. The negro question, involving race equality, the franchise and patronage, has been pressed as one of the major reasons for democrats to weld themselves against any threat of a two-party south and families with long democratic histories have been urged to stand by the party of their forebears.

Anti-Smith organizations have sprung up in many counties in both states and it is through these clubs that the republicans hope to add enough ballots to their normal vote to assure victory. Republicans say they have a "fighting chance" to carry Georgia, but they are more confident about Florida where during the past two presidential elections they have polled "a normal vote" of half as many ballots as the democrats.

In Georgia Harding polled in 1920 a total of 43,720 votes compared with 107,162 for Cox and

republican leaders say they believe an intensive get-out-the-vote campaign will reveal a greater normal vote to be bolstered by bolting democrats.

All of Georgia's state candidates her senators and congressmen have endorsed the democratic national ticket, although differing with Governor Smith's prohibition views. All but two of Florida's democratic state candidates have declared for the national ticket. There is no republican state ticket in Georgia but in Florida a full ticket has been put in the field. Republicans have freely injected the Tammany Hall issue into the campaign but have been met with the democratic rebuttal that Tammany could not possibly be as bad as some of the republican organizations. Southerners have been asked by the democrats to remember Tammany's sympathy for the south in civil war and reconstruction days.

Many circulars attacking Governor Smith have been scattered among the voters from some source and have drawn heavy fire from the democratic ranks. The Anti-Saloon league, as in most other states, and the Women's Christian Temperance union have been the most conspicuous dry organizations in the field against the democratic candidate, many of their officials taking the stump.

One of the chief reactions in Georgia to the unusual political situation which prevailed shortly after the close of the national democratic convention was that the call to arms resulted in the fusion of most party factions, especially co-ordination of leaders. One of the most prominent of these brought Hoke Smith and Joseph M. Brown, former governors and famous political rivals, into the arena together.

## BUNKERVILLE PERSONALITIES

(SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE)

BUNKERVILLE, Sept. 20—Mr. Kenneth Earl went to Las Vegas on business.

Mr. Thomas Adams returned Tuesday from Los Angeles.

Mr. Albert Leavitt went to Littlefield.

Mrs. James S. Abbott has returned from Las Vegas where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Gus Pendleton, whose baby was very sick.

Mrs. Mary Hafen has returned from Mesquite where she has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Parley Leavitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack White have returned to Ivanpah after visiting here a few days.

Eldon Leavitt was here Wednesday from his ranch on the Virgin river.

Messrs. Henry Leavitt and Harmon Tobler went to Mesquite on business Wednesday.

Messrs. Harley Adams, Lee Adams, Warren Hardy, Dudley Hardy and Merle Wittwer have returned from the mountains near Crestline where they have been cutting posts.

Arthur Hughes and sons took their threshing home last evening after threshing all the lucern seed here.

Mrs. Della Barnum went to Mesquite Wednesday to spend a few days with her mother-in-law, Mrs. Almada Barnum.

## PENNY COMPANY ADDS 53 STORES

The J. C. Penny Co. has just announced the assignment of fifty-three new stores to be opened in the spring of 1929, making the total number of stores 1075.

The growth of this company has been phenomenal. From 1922 to the close of 1927, the store units increased from 371 to 892. In 1927, 147 stores were opened, and the gross volume of business for the year was \$151,957,865. In 1928, with 1000 stores in operation, it is expected that the \$190,000,000 mark will be reached.

The fifty-three new stores will be opened in the following states: Arizona (1), Arkansas (4), California (5), Colorado (1), Georgia (3), Illinois (1), Iowa (2), Kansas (3), Kentucky (1), Missouri (4), Mississippi (1), New Mexico (1), North Carolina (3), Ohio (3), Oklahoma (2), Oregon (2), South Carolina (1), Tennessee (2), Texas (5), Washington (3), Wisconsin (5).

Although the average population of these towns is 3,500, several larger cities are included in the locations, among them St. Louis, Mo., Tulsa, Oklahoma and El Paso, Texas. This is in accord with the policy of the company recently adopted in which the next forward step in expansion will be in the larger population centers.

The managers for these new stores have been appointed and they will begin to buy their opening stocks of merchandise at the Fall Conventions, now in session in eleven districts scattered throughout the United States.

Representatives of the Merchandise Department display sample lines of merchandise at these conventions, so that each manager may select his stock. Style merchandise, such as Ready-to-Wear is not bought until close to the opening date of the new stores, in order that they will have the latest and most up-to-date assortments.

The men who have been selected to manage these new stores have been associated with the company, in the majority of cases, for many years, either as manager or assistant to the manager. They are experienced merchants and typical J. C. Penny Company men. Constructive efforts toward promoting the welfare of the cities to which they are assigned will receive their enthusiastic support.

## POWER TRUST AGAIN EXPOSED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AP)—

The circulation of newspaper editorials in opposition to the government operation of Muscle Shoals and Boulder Dam projects at the expense of the Alabama Power Company was disclosed in the Federal Trade Commission's investigation into the power utilities, by Marcy B. Darnall, of Florence, Alabama.

Darnall testified that he sent editorial matter written by him to newspapers all over the country through arrangement with the power company.

Darnall, who is editor of the Florence Herald, said his original news service went to two hundred newspapers, but after an arrangement with the power company's treasury in 1926, his service circulated editorials to about two hundred additional papers at an expense of \$200 per month to the power company.

## Veteran Railroad Manager Will Retire Next Month

Announcement is made today by Carl R. Gray, president of the Union Pacific system, of changes in the Union Pacific official family due to the retirement on October 31 of E. E. Calvin, vice-president in charge of operations.

Mr. Calvin will be succeeded by W. M. Jeffers of Omaha, now general manager of the Union Pacific railroad, one of the system units. Mr. Jeffers will be succeeded by N. A. Williams of Cheyenne, Wyo., now general supt. at that point. The promotion of Mr. Jeffers and Mr. Williams become effective coincident with the retirement of Mr. Calvin.

The formal announcement of President Gray follows "Mr. E. E. Calvin, vice-president operation, Union Pacific system, having attained the age of seventy years and after a half century of continuous and distinguished service with this company will retire under the rules October 31st, 1928.

"Mr. W. M. Jeffers, now General Manager Union Pacific railroad, will succeed Mr. Calvin as vice-president operation Union Pacific system.

"Mr. N. A. Williams, now General Supt. at Cheyenne, Wyo., will succeed Mr. Jeffers as General Manager Union Pacific railroad."

Both Mr. Calvin and Mr. Jeffers began work for the Union Pacific as boys. Mr. Calvin when he was 18 and Mr. Jeffers at 14. Mr. Jeffers is a native of North Platte, Nebraska. He is now 52 years old and a son of William Jeffers for many years a Union Pacific shopman at North Platte. His first job on the railroad was a messenger and call boy at that point. While a messenger he learned telegraphy and became a train dispatcher there before he was 19, having meantime been a clerk in the maintenance of way department, a timekeeper and extra foreman in a steel gang.

Following promotion to chief dispatcher at North Platte he went to Green River Wyo. as train master in 1905, to Denver as trainmaster in 1906, to Green River as assistant supt. in 1907, and there became supt. in 1909. In 1911 he became supt. of the consolidated division extending from Cheyenne to Ogden with headquarters at Cheyenne and in 1916 superintendent of the Nebraska division with headquarters at Omaha. In 1917 he was appointed general superintendent at Omaha and six months later became General Manager of the Union Pacific railroad unit of the system which position he has held ever since. During federal control Mr. Jeffers had charge of all railroad terminals in Omaha, South Omaha and Council Bluffs and was feul administrator in these cities.

For five years ended a few weeks ago he was chairman of the committee of general manager of railroads handling the labor disputes in the western territory.

It is largely in Mr. Jeffers' administration as general manager and through all of it he has been under the general direction of Mr. Calvin that the organized safety work has been developed on the Union Pacific railroad which caused that unit of the system last year to win two national first awards for safety "The Harriman Gold Medal" for the most conspicuous organized safety and accident prevention work on any American railroad and the national safety council plaque for the lowest accident rate for employees on any railroad of its approximate size in the United States for the five year period, 1923 to 1927. In two preceding years the Union Pacific unit participated with the other three units of the system. In winning the Harriman Gold Medal for the entire system. The old timers club on the Union Pacific railroad composed of the employees of more than 20 years service have been organized during Mr. Jeffers' time as general manager out of 30,000 employees under this jurisdiction approximately 3800 now have more than 20 years of service.

Some remarkable operating records have also been made on the road in this time. Since Sept. 1, 1925, for example, approximately 9000 fruit trains have been operated over the line between Ogden and Council Bluffs and not one of them arrived behind schedule.

Mr. Jeffers is married and has one adopted daughter who is also his niece, Miss Eileen Kellner. Mrs. Jeffers is a daughter of Joseph Schatz one of the first men employed in the Union Pacific shops at Omaha.

Mr. Calvin first entered railroad service as a messenger boy for the Big Four at the age of 14. He also learned telegraphy in his spare time and became an operator. At 18 he went to Fort Steele, Wyoming to take a job at the post traders store and soon after operator for the U. P. at that point. That was in April 1877. Subsequently he was operator at Medicine Hat, Red Desert, Grand and Ogden, agent at Carbon relief agent at Green River, dispatcher at Logan, Utah and Pocatello, Idaho, chief dispatcher at Pocatello, Trainmaster at Butte and Pocatello, superintendent at Pocatello, general superintendent and assistant general manager at Salt Lake City.

When Mr. Harriman districted the Harriman lines in 1904 he went to Portland as general manager of the Oregon Washington unit of the Union Pacific system, and of the Oregon Lines of the Southern Pacific. In 1905 he went to San Francisco as vice-president and general manager of the

Southern Pacific lines west of El Paso, including those in California and Oregon he was there at the time of the San Francisco fire and had charge of the extensive relief work sponsored by Mr. Harriman. In 1912 he became vice president in charge of operation and construction of the Southern Pacific lines west of El Paso Feb. 1, 1914, following the segregation of the Union Pacific and Southern Pacific he became vice president and general manager of the Oregon Short Line unit of the Union Pacific, and in 1916 moved to Omaha as president of the Union Pacific and Oregon Short Line units of the system. He was federal manager during Federal control and on the return of the railroads to private management in 1920 he became vice president in charge of operation for the entire Union Pacific system, which position he has held up to this time.

Mr. Calvin is married, Mrs. Calvin being a daughter of H. A. Man, who was Union Pacific agent at Granger, Wyoming when Mr. Calvin was operator there.

Mr. Calvin a year and a half ago built a home at 340 South McCadden Place Los Angeles and immediately upon his retirement will move there.

He has two sons and two daughters in Southern California. Herbert H. of Pasadena and Frank E. of Los Angeles, Miss Nellie Calvin and Mrs. J. B. Austin, and daughter Mrs. Geo. N. Lawrence of Salt Lake City.

During Mr. Calvin's administration safety and other operation standards of the types indicated above in connection with the Union Pacific railroad unit have been consistently advanced on all units of the system.

Mr. Calvin has lived in eight of the 13 states served by the system and few men in that region have so wide a personal acquaintance.

Mr. Williams, the new general manager at Omaha was born near Lacada, Mo. and worked on his father's farm until he was 20, he then became a section man on the C. B. & Q. and a few months later a brakeman on the same road. In 1902 he resigned and went to Salt Lake City where he became a brakeman on the D. & R. G. W. He was promoted to conductor on that road in 1903, to assistant supt. in 1909 and to supt. in 1910. He resigned in 1914 and was in business for himself for two years. In 1916 he became trainmaster for the Union Pacific at Grand Island, Nebraska. In 1917 assistant superintendent at Kansas City. In 1918 supt. at Green River, in 1922 supt. at Cheyenne, 1922 general supt. at Los Angeles and 1925 general supt. at Cheyenne. He is married and has four sons and one daughter, the sons are in business in Cheyenne and the daughter Mrs. J. W. Lynch, lives in Passaic N. J. Mr. Williams is a native of Lacled, Mo.

## FIVE MILLIONS RED CROSS NEED

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21 (AP)—

The American Red Cross has called upon the American public for a minimum of \$5,000,000 to provide relief for sufferers from the hurricane in Florida, Porto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

John Barton Payne, chairman of the relief organization, based the request on reports indicating that 400,000 persons in Porto Rico and 15,000 families in Florida that will require assistance.

## COMPLICITY IN OBREGON DEATH

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 21 (AP)—

Haimundo C. Enriquez, candidate for the governorship of the state of Chiapas, has been accused in the Senate of complicity in the assassination of President-elect Obregon.

Senators Tiburcio Fernandez Ruiz and Benicio Cal y Mayor, in bringing the charge, exhibited documents alleged to implicate Enriquez.

The senate turned the documents over to the court trying Jose De Leon Toral, the assassin.

## HOTEL ARRIVALS

The following are recent arrivals at Hotel Nevada:

L. M. O'Sullivan, L. O. Braskey, H. P. Illingsworth, A. B. Shirley, H. J. Johnson, J. F. Lang, C. F. Dorgan, F. B. Gately, L. L. Boggs all of Los Angeles.

Evelyn Prothen, Spaurer Helmer O. D. McQuay and wife, L. F. Clark, of Salt Lake City.

H. P. Kerrin, Reno; Maud James Barton; L. J. Jolley, Cedar City; James Blair, wife and son, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. L. Bixby, Long Beach, Cal.; Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Harriman; T. W. Symons, Jr.; Spokane; F. A. Sutherland and wife, Provo, Utah; Ray McCulley, Grand Island, Neb. G. K. McEwen, King City, Cal.; W. R. Winsell, Kansas City, Mo.; Chas. Wind, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Blomquist, Palmer, Cal.; A. J. Showalter and wife; J. L. Reese, San Bernardino, Cal.; E. E. Winder, Bakersfield, Cal.