

# MAY ASK SMITH AND McADOO TO BOTH WITHDRAW

## Leaders of Democrats Fear Rivalry Would Bring Inevitable Defeat of Party.

New York, April 23.—The New York Times and the World, supporters of Governor Smith, say Saturday that the leaders of the Democratic party have seriously discussed circulation of a round robin among leaders of the party calling upon both Smith and William G. McAdoo to withdraw as candidates for the presidential nomination.

The Times quotes these leaders as saying that the withdrawals would be asked "to save their party from defeat which would be inevitable should they both remain in the race."

The movement, says the Times, originated in the south.

The World says that Senator Carter Glass of Virginia, who has been in this city recently, is expected by friends to voice such a demand publicly.

George F. Milton, editor of the Chattanooga News, and one of McAdoo's principal lieutenants, in a statement in the Times says that in a race between Smith and Coolidge "the Republicans would be certain to break into ranks and elect the solid south." Mr. Milton has been in the city several days. So has Mr. McAdoo.

### DENIED BY GLASS.

Washington, April 23.—(AP)—Senator Glass, Democrat, Virginia, who returned here Saturday from New York, said there was not "a word of truth" to the suggestion that he might voice a demand for the elimination of either Governor Smith or William G. McAdoo, at least also from the Democratic nomination for president.

"I don't belong to any group, nor have I ever heard of any group advocating eliminating any candidate for the Democratic nomination," he added.

## Business Women's Club Nominates

Nearly 90 members of the Business and Professional Women's club were present at the regular business-dinner meeting of the club held in the dining room of the Commercial club building Monday evening.

Miss Florence Bennett, president of the club, called the meeting to order and in behalf of the club welcomed Miss Pauline Rich, who is visiting friends in Billings. Miss Rich was formerly connected with the school here and is now located in Bismarck, N. D. She gave a brief account of the work of the Business and Professional Women's club in Bismarck where the club is very active.

In view of the coming election, Miss Bennett then read the constitution of the club for the benefit of new members who have joined the organization since last September.

Miss Bernice McDermott read the treasurer's report showing considerable surplus balance to be budgeted.

Mrs. Alberta Frye, chairman of the nominating committee which had been appointed at the previous meeting, gave the report of the committee. Miss Bennett then urged to again allow her name to be placed on the ballot and Mrs. Frye voted the report of the committee that she will be unable to continue as president. Names of the various candidates were read and several nominations were made from the floor. Ballots will be prepared and the voting will take place at the next meeting early in May.

Announcement of the state convention to be held at Butte on June 15 and 16 was made. It is expected that a delegation will be sent.

Miss Ethel Yates, chairman of the social committee, called for an expression of opinion regarding the annual banquet to be held late in May. The matter was left to the judgment of the committee.

The remainder of the evening was spent in bridge, Miss Dorothy Gray winning honors.

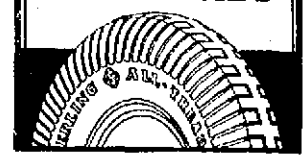
Sensible reports of England are preparing for a record-breaking season.



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## PRESIDENTIAL ANNIVERSARY

James Buchanan, as fifteenth president of the United States, occupied the White house when the questions of slavery and states rights were dangerously fermenting. His administration, from 1857-1861, saw the prelude to the Civil war.

Buchanan was born April 23, 1791. As a Pennsylvanian he disapproved of slavery, but being a strict constitutionalist and a Democrat, he held to official conventions. He publicly denied the right of secession and refused to treat the South Carolina representatives as foreign delegates.

His chief difficulty was an unsympathetic congress.

The Dred Scott decision and John Brown's raid on Harper's Ferry stirred the nation during his administration, but those events somewhat submerged his diplomatic accomplishments of settling the question of British dominion in Central America and by stopping Great Britain's "right of search" on American ships. The first Atlantic cable was laid in Buchanan's administration.

Before he died, June 1, 1868, Buchanan wrote his own vindication of his administrative policies.

## Local High School Boys to Have Club Room in "Y" Lobby

High school boys are fitting up the south alcove of the Y. M. C. A. lobby for a H-Y club room, which will be maintained and supervised by members of the sophomore, junior and senior H-Y associations, according to T. C. Evans, secretary of the Y. M. C. A.

All the work of finishing the club room and material for furnishing comes from members of the three H-Y groups. The plans originated from the sophomore organization and it received the approval of the other groups. Each of them are taking a part in the preparation of the room. When it is completed, the room will be for the exclusive use of the high school boys. A volunteer office force will have charge of it daily after school lets out, and the boys will take turns acting as "house man."

The sophomore painted the walls and one of the members of the group is making a table lamp in manual training at the high school. The junior H-Y is furnishing the floor and furnishing a rug as well as a picture. The senior organization has furnished curtains for the room. Checkers and other games tables will be placed in the club room when it is completed next week. The senior organization paid part of its share toward establishing the room through funds obtained from the New England dinner held at the high school on Washington's birthday.

The juniors each took an article to a local auction sale and used the money derived for their share. The sophomores found various ways of earning money to pay their share and are putting considerable labor on the room.

## County Records Loss From Ballantine Bank

The county commissioners have passed a resolution directing the county clerk and recorder to charge the sum of \$8,357.25, due from the defunct Ballantine State bank on county deposits as an extraordinary loss against the county general fund.

According to the resolution at the time of the closing of the bank on Dec. 2, 1922, the county treasurer had on deposit in the bank the sum of \$5,000 secured by an identity bond bearing the signature of personal sureties. The affairs of the bank have been fully liquidated and the receiver discharged, the county having received a dividend of \$332.75.

The resolution recites that the sureties upon the bond are insolvent and in the opinion of the board no further part of the sum can be recovered from the bank or its sureties.

The amount is said by county officials to be the first loss to the county from bank failures within recent years which it has been necessary to charge off. According to recent amendments of the law, personal bonds are no longer accepted, approved surety bonds being required or the placing as surety of liberty bonds or other approved collateral, by the banks handling county deposits.

## Strange Bibles in Contest in Illinois

Pekin, Ill.—(AP)—Bibles of many sizes and ages, some relics of ancient riding days and others survivors of war campaigns and jungle treks, have been taken from attic trunks and curio cases to vie for the attention of this community.

A Bible contest, at which the unusual volumes of the countryside are displayed, has been made an annual event by the First Christian church and the Rev. George A. Reinhardt, its pastor.

A circuit rider's Bible bound in gay Scotch plaid and with pages dimmed by 200 years of use, is the most unique volume in this year's contest. It was handed down through seven generations, and was carried through the hills of Kentucky by a pioneer Methodist pastor.

The smallest Bible is less than three inches square and saw service in the World war. The largest, five generations old, weighs 16 pounds. The most traveled Bible has been carried 25,000 miles, across the meridian twice, through two typhoons and as many snowstorms, and into the African wilds. The oldest Bible is of German print, turned out in 1615.

### FINED FOR NUISANCE.

Bertha Howard was arrested Saturday morning at 2914 1/2 Montana avenue by Sam Peffer, special enforcement officer, and was fined \$100 in police court by Judge W. E. Downs on a charge of maintaining a nuisance. She was arrested under the ordinance which provides a penalty for liquor violations. No evidence was submitted in court as a plea of guilty was entered. George Hegannovich was arrested Friday afternoon at the same location on the same charge and also paid a \$100 fine.

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### RECEIVES COAL MONEY.

The Billings land office has received the quarterly royalty payment from the Northwestern government company from coal mined on government leases at Colstrip, south of Forsyth. The total amount for the quarter was \$5,201.40.

### GOLD-PLATED CLOTH NOW MADE.

Cloth, wood or metal may be gold or silver-plated by a process just perfected by a German. The object to be plated is subjected to a bombardment from a filament of gold or silver in an electric vacuum tube. Atoms of metal dislodged by the electric current are hurled across the vacuum, to attach themselves with terrific force to the object.

## Mrs. Elizabeth Fisk, Pioneer of Montana, Dies in California

Helena, April 23.—(Special)—Mrs. Elizabeth C. Fisk, 82 years old, widow of the late Robert E. Fisk, one of the founders of the Helena Record, died at Berkeley, Cal., according to information received here by Mrs. Clara A. Fisk, widow of A. J. Fisk, who was associated in the management of the paper.

Mrs. Fisk came to Montana with her husband from White Bear Lake, Minn., and they settled in the Helena valley in August, 1856. Mr. Fisk died at Berkeley in 1908.

They made the trip to Montana in a wagon train which was under the protection of a troop of United States cavalry under command of Capt. James L. Fisk, an older brother of Robert E. Fisk.

According to an article appearing in the Record at the time the paper was sold by Mr. Fisk on Dec. 27, 1922, the first publication was during November, 1856. At that time it was a weekly.

D. W. Fisk and A. J. Fisk, brothers of Robert E. Fisk, were associated with him in the enterprise.

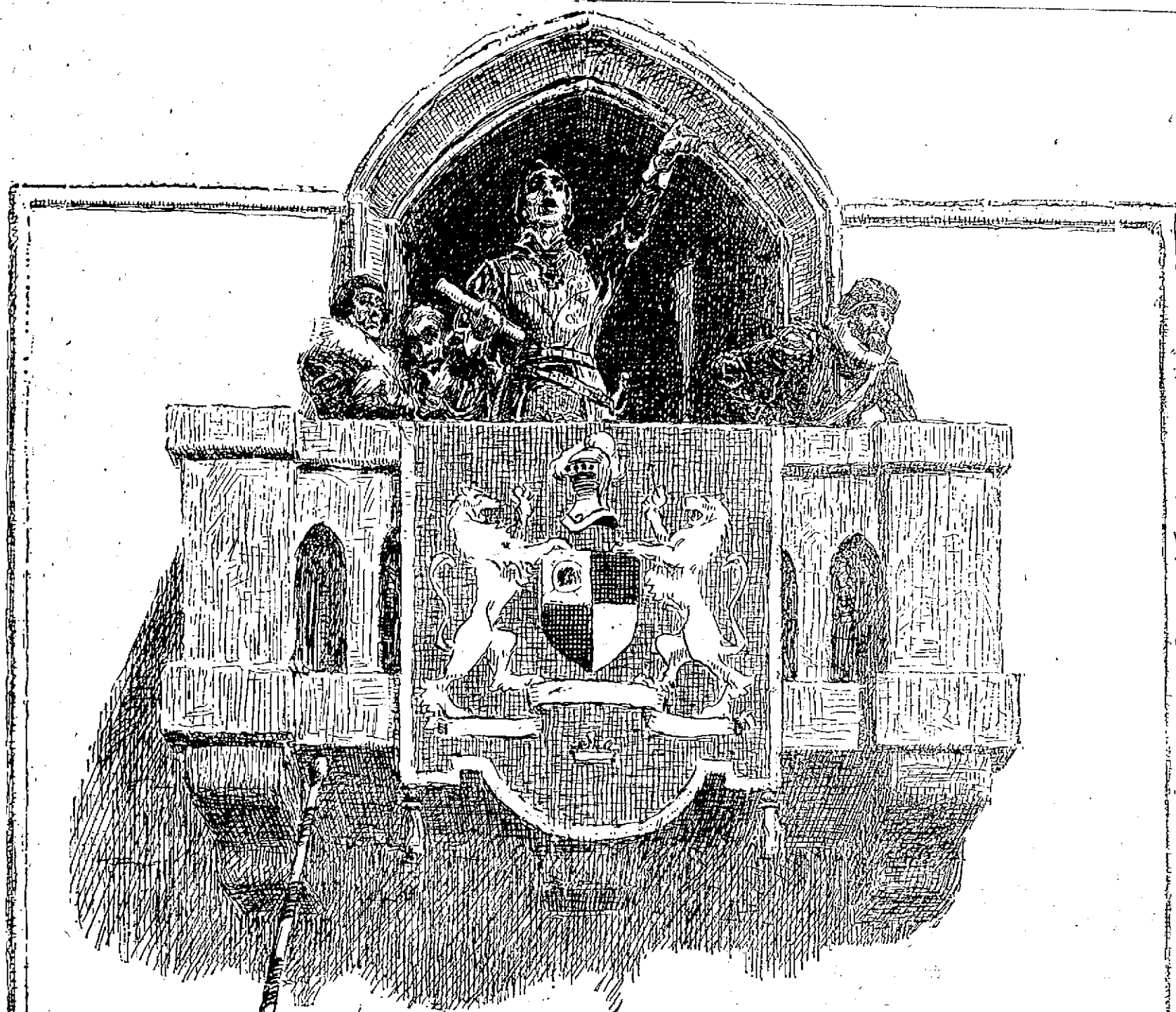
## Ford Stolen From in Front of Bank Block

Harry L. Fairburn's Ford touring car, 1922 model, was stolen Friday night between 9 and 11 o'clock from in front of the Montana National bank, according to a report filed at police headquarters. The car was equipped with good tires and

was newly painted, the report says. The license number was 55-708. No trace of the car had been found Saturday morning.

### WEEKLY FORECAST.

Northern Rocky mountain region: Mostly fair east, occasional rains and snows west of divide, first of week unsettled thereafter; moderate temperatures.



**A** **NOTHER MILE POST** is passed in the form of another year, again comes the call to a citizenry to participate in a clean-up. A check-up, an opportunity to reflect on the progress of our community since our last spring cleanup. A thought of the future and in the spirit of spring to prepare for further years of greater prosperity.

It is the effort of a community in just such enterprises as paint-up and clean-up week which determines the progress we make in community betterment.

## The Creed of Good Citizenship

I believe in trinity of cleanliness—beauty, health and safety. For I know that refuse and rubbish piles mar the beauty of my home and city; that they are the breeding places of flies and vermin; that, as potential starting points for fire, they menace my property and threaten my family with death—both my own and my neighbors'.

Therefore: I am a good neighbor. I take pride in my home, my yard, my alley, and my street. I keep my premises painted, my lawn trimmed and green. The passer-by on the sidewalk pauses to gaze at my brilliant-hued porch boxes and flower beds.

I am proud of the cleanliness of my home—both inside and out. There are no junk piles in my alley or yard—no rubbish piles in my basement or attic. I can look straight in the eye—any day—painter or electrician, firewarden or health inspector—and smile!

But I am prouder still of Billings—because it is known far and wide as a city both beautiful and clean.

I am a good citizen!

# The Montana National Bank

