

HARDING ALREADY AT WORK ON PLANS FOR NATIONAL FIGHT

HARDING BACK AT CAPITAL PREPARING FOR CAMPAIGN; RIDES PAST WHITE HOUSE

Republican Nominee at His Desk To-Day Receives Congratulations.

AWAITS HAYS'S COMING.

Will Arrange With National Chairman for Formal Notification Ceremony.

WASHINGTON, June 14.—Senator Warren G. Harding, the Republican Presidential nominee, who arrived here last night from Chicago, put in a busy day to-day receiving the congratulations of friends and clearing up pending matters in connection with his Senatorial duties. He found time, however, to play a round of golf at a neighboring country club. The Republican nominee announced that for the present he would have no statement to make. He reached his office shortly before noon, after opening for the moving-picture men he was given an informal reception by Senate employees. He seemed in the height of good humor, and, while peering for the moving-picture men, kept up a running fire of humorous comment.

At his office the Senator found several hundred telegrams of congratulations as well as a large batch of mail. Among the telegrams were messages from his father, Dr. George Harding, and Sister Abigail, sending "congratulations and love," and from former President Taft, Charles E. Hughes, Hiram Johnson, Governor Coolidge, Senator Knox and a number of others.

Senator Harding was especially pleased with a telegram from John Philip Sousa, which said: "Bless your musical soul. May God's harmonies be with you forever."

Other messages received were from Senator Pomerene, Democrat, of Ohio, and Representative and Mrs. Nicholas Longworth of Ohio.

No engagements were made to-day for Senator Harding, who desired to rest as much as possible after his strenuous work at Chicago. The Senator said he had no definite plans, but that he probably would leave Washington the last part of the week. He plans to confer before Monday with Chairman Hays of the Republican National Committee and other Republican leaders, and then will take a rest before going to his home at Marion, O., about July 1. He will be formally notified of his nomination at Marion.

When Senator Harding reached his office to-day he found there a large American flag and vases of flowers, gifts from Miss Cora Nellie Mattern and Mrs. Bruce Lamond, members of his office force, and George Christian, his Secretary.

On arriving at the capital the Senator visited the Senate barber shop to see Elder Sims, one of the negro barbers.

"He's the barber who prays for me," Senator Harding said. "It did me good to see him."

Senator Harding declared that being a Presidential Candidate was "more strenuous than anything I have ever known."

In riding to his home from the train last night Senator Harding passed the White House.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS, TO TAKE UP PERSIA

Council May Not Be Able to Solve Problem, It Is Feared.

LONDON, June 14.—Persia's appeal for protection against Russian Bolshevism aggression was expected to be one of the first subjects discussed by the Council of the League of Nations at the opening of its executive session in St. James's Palace late this afternoon. The session will continue for two days. In view of the hands-off policy of the council with regard to the Polish offensive it is considered by some observers that the Persian situation raises a problem almost impossible for the council, as it is constituted at present, to solve.

HE GUESSED THE TICKET.

Former Secretary to Odell Named Harding and Coolidge.

There is a box of cigars awaiting J. Calvin McKnight upon his return from the Republican Convention in Chicago to his home at Bay Side, L. I. Just as Mr. McKnight, who was a secretary for Gov. Odell, was about to leave for the convention a neighbor inquired his opinion as to the outcome.

"It looks like Harding and Coolidge to me," replied Mr. McKnight.

"A box of cigars you are wrong," pronounced the neighbor, and the wager was made.

VICTORY SMILE OF WARREN HARDING, G. O. P. CANDIDATE



HARDING SMILES INTERNATIONAL

GOV. COOLIDGE WONT RESIGN TO WORK IN THE CAMPAIGN

Back at His Office in Massachusetts Capitol to "Finish Job."

BOSTON, June 14.—Gov. Coolidge returned to his desk at the State House to-day to "finish his job."

This was the word which came from the Executive Chamber in reply to the question whether he would resign in order to devote himself entirely to the Republican National Campaign in the interests of Senator Harding and himself.

The Governor will offer to assist in the campaign, but according to his secretary, Henry F. Long, his activity will be conditional on his ability to do full justice to the demands of his present office. He has finished every job he has ever undertaken and intends to complete his record as Governor without slighting the job in hand in order to try for another, the secretary said.

Gov. Coolidge has before him several important State matters, including a special session of the Legislature next fall to recodify the statute, and supervision of the reorganization of nearly all State departments.

To one of the friends who congratulated him on his nomination for the Vice Presidency, the Governor remarked: "I don't know about that; the Governorship of Massachusetts has always been considered the second most important office in the United States."

To the many telegrams of congratulations received yesterday scores were added to-day. Harry Daugherty, manager of Senator Harding's campaign, sent a message of satisfaction that Gov. Coolidge was to be the Senator's running mate; Senator Lehman, a rival candidate for the Vice Presidential nomination, sent his congratulations, and Charles E. Hughes also sent word applauding the convention's choice.

ROOM RENT DROPS IN CHICAGO HOTELS

Rates Fall From \$30 to \$3 a Day When End of Convention Arrives.

CHICAGO, June 14.—Eliot R. Brown, ex-Senate Senator of New York, went up to a Chicago hotel clerk to pay his bill. "It's \$30 a day," said the clerk.

"What's the extra \$10 for?" inquired Mr. Brown.

"Because nobody was in the room with you."

A big kick was forthcoming promptly. "So it went in the room if I want it for another night," said the clerk.

"Three dollars," said the clerk.

So it went in Chicago, though vacant rooms were not hard to find in the last three days.

340 Bags of Sugar Stolen. William Jacobs, twenty-four years old, walking delegate for the Greenpoint Longshoremen's Union, living at No. 151 Green Street, Brooklyn, was arrested to-day by Detective George Sweeney of the Greenpoint Station, on a charge of grand larceny. The complainant is R. F. Clayton, watchman for the W. R. Grace Steamship Company, who alleges that Jacobs stole 340 bags of sugar, valued at \$7,000, from the pier at the foot of Huron Street.

CONVENTION IT'S

It Was a B. P. O. E. Affair, Boies Penrose Over Everything—All Over but the Bolting.

By Neal R. O'Hara.

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THE last expense account has been filed. The last Lowden button has been fired in the lake. The convention is all over but the bolting.

"What's the matter with Harding?" has been snouted for the last time, and "He's all right" replied. Around Chicago now they want to know what's the matter with the Cubs and the White Sox. To-day a delegate's badge is what it was in the first place. Just junk. The second-thought boys were mulling it over this morning. They were saying that the guy that licks Johnson doesn't always have soft picking afterwards. And they refer you to Jess Willard.

It is also rumored that Nicholas Murray Butler will spend the next four years in Columbia, not the District of Columbia. And Hoover's vote looked like the sugar shortage. Wood got the solid ivory vote on every ballot but the big one, but he can now go back to the army with two bars on his shoulder—two bars of ivory soap.

Raymond Hitchcock is the actor, but Frank is a producer. There was no chance for a stampee in Chicago; the place for a stampee is on the prairies, not where the stockyards are. It was a B. P. O. E. convention. Boies Penrose over everything.

The delegates obeyed the handwriting on the Wall Street telegrams. Spread eagle stuff wins nominations, when eagles are worth \$20 apiece.

Johnson put up a good fight, but the Old Guard put up a good job. But there will be no such thing as a grand young party. The initials look suspicious.

Yes, the convention is all over. The only thing left to do is to blame the Democratic Party for the high cost of hotel rooms in Frisco.

The convention proves that while every boy has a chance to be President, it isn't every one that gets a crack at the nomination. The only real mystery was why Western delegates have their necks shaved and eat with their knives.

A late rumor states Hoover still has a chance to be President of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

On the Senatorial wing, equanimity prevails. When Harding resigns his job he will still have a smooth Senate in Washington and a rough House.

From what you hear in the radical sector of the Auditorium, it looks like Debs for the next President of the United States. Debs has more than the old guard with him—he's got a couple of young guards and some middle-aged guards. Debs has also got the Solid South behind him, solid concrete and iron bars. He thinks one term is enough for anybody, with time off for good behavior. He will make his keynote speech twice a week on a visitors' day.

To-day the candidates spilled heartfelt congratulations, as follows: Lowden—I thought that berth was reserved for me. Knox—if the cap fitted I would have put it on. But it wasn't Knox hat.

Johnson—I have swallowed the ticket. I didn't bolt it. The California climate is wonderful. Sprull—I attribute everything to the telephone service from Philadelphia. The wires got crossed somewhere.

Butler—The correspondence school vote was split. Wilson has ruined the job for any other college professor. Wood—They kept me out of war. Now they are keeping me out of Washington. But, as I said before, I am still a soldier. The jokes in the Literary Digest are funny.

Poindester—I started as a dark horse. I finished as a dark horse. My stand is unalterable. Hoover—They were saving their votes for me. My only regret is that they saved 'em so long.

PROBE TWO FIRES AT COMMODORE

One Caused By Cigarette, the Other Attributed to Defective Wiring.

Fire Department officials to-day began an investigation into two fires which last night alarmed the patrons of the Hotel Commodore. The first, a trivial one, was caused by a cigarette thrown onto an awning on the 42d Street side of the hotel. The second blaze was detected by a maid on the fourth floor, who saw smoke coming from behind the closed doors of the big ballroom.

She notified other employees, who were driven back by the smoke and flames when they attempted to extinguish the fire. Manager McSweeney then sent in an alarm.

Acting Battalion Chief Donovan and his men responded and with water from the stand pipes of the hotel put out the blaze. Smoke filled the first floor lobby and the lower halls, and to prevent a panic among the patrons the elevators to the upper floors were stopped until the fire was out.

The damage to the ball room and the adjoining rooms, which recently had been refitted, was estimated at \$25,000. Defective wiring is believed to have caused the blaze.

1,000 K. OF C. AT VESPERS.

Xavier Council Begins 20th Anniversary Celebration.

Knights of Columbus from all parts of the city joined yesterday with Xavier Council in the first of its twentieth anniversary celebrations which are to close on June 23 with a dinner at the Hotel Pennsylvania.

The first function of the celebration consisted of a solemn vesper service at 2:30 in the Church of St. Francis Xavier, the Jesuit institution in West 15th Street, from which Xavier Council has largely drawn its membership. The celebrant was the Rev. John Harmon, S. J., chaplain of the council and Defere rector of St. Francis Xavier's parish. The Rev. P. J. Casey, S. J., preached the anniversary sermon.

More than 1,000 members of the order took part in a procession through the streets of the parish which preceded the service.

Calvin Coolidge in Family Circle; His Wife, Young Sons and Father



CALVIN COOLIDGE AND FAMILY INTERNATIONAL

This picture shows the Republican nominee for Vice President seated. Calvin Jr. is standing to the left, and John to the right. The father is John C. Coolidge of Plymouth, Mass.

HARDING'S DEFEAT WILL BE EASY JOB, SAYS GOV. EDWARDS

"Any Democrat of Progressive Type Can Be Elected," Says Jersey's Candidate.

SEAHAM, N. J., June 14.—Gov. Edwards of New Jersey to-day declared the nomination of Senator Harding made Democratic victory at the November election a certainty. The Governor is a candidate for the Democratic nomination.

"Senator Harding is the easiest man in the Republican Party for the Democrats to beat," said Gov. Edwards. The Governor added that the nomination of Harding showed conclusively that the Old Guard was in the saddle, and that the Republicans do not want a man of progressive ideas and tendencies.

"Therefore," he said, "it will be easy for a Democrat of progressive type to be elected over Senator Harding. Such a Democrat could have won from any of the leading aspirants for the nomination at Chicago, but against Harding it will be easy."

ESTIMATE BOARD CALLED SWINDLER

Subway Contractors Accuse Mayor and Comptroller of Breaking Faith.

The Mayor and the Comptroller are placed in the class "of willing converts to the Berlin idea that a promise is merely a scrap of paper" in a statement issued by the General Contractors' Association on the failure of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment to pay increased war costs of subway contracts, which it is claimed the city on June 15, 1918, entered into an agreement to meet.

By this failure it is charged the board "has swindled those who relied on its integrity."

The statement of the contractors said: "The situation is one in which the good faith of the city as pledged by the Board of Estimate is involved. Accepting the promise as made in good faith the contractors went ahead with their work and many of the sections were completed and are now in operation. To accomplish this they spent upwards of \$1,000,000 of their own money, largely by securing credit from the banks because of the city's promise."

"Thus far only four settlements have been made, two of them on the large contracts and two on small ones, involving less than \$700,000."

"The Board of Estimate in refusing to carry out its agreement has swindled those who relied on its integrity. The disgraceful admission must be made that the word of the City of New York as given by the present Administration is good for nothing; that the Mayor and Comptroller are willing converts to the Berlin idea that a promise is merely a scrap of paper."

PREACHERS GOING ABROAD.

Will Seek to Promote Friendship and Principles of League.

The Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America announced yesterday that it will send forty clergymen to visit nineteen countries this summer for the purpose of strengthening friendship between the United States and foreign nations. The clergymen represent several denominations. The Rev. Nehemiah Boynton of Brooklyn will head a group of delegates to a conference to be held in Geneva to make plans for the Ecumenical Conference.

Purification of the principles of the League of Nations will be aimed at by the clergymen. It was explained yesterday by the Rev. Arthur J. Brown, Secretary of the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions.

HARDING GIVES DEMOCRATS HOPE, LONDON COMMENT

Press Says Machine Won at Chicago—Paris Sees Revival of Anti-British Talk.

LONDON, June 14.—Warren G. Harding's personality and record being virtually unknown here, newspaper comment this morning expresses neither satisfaction nor disappointment with the Republican choice of a Presidential candidate. Two or three journals assume the result of the Chicago convention has opened the possibility of the election of a Democrat to the Presidency, which of late has been regarded here as improbable.

Among those taking this view are the London Times and the Daily News, the latter telling the Democrats "the best card they can play is to persuade Herbert Hoover to accept their nomination in spite of everything."

The future of the League of Nations and of British-American relations are points much discussed in the light of the nomination of Mr. Harding. The Morning Post, which is a stern opponent of the League, says: "Mr. Harding is a politician, not an idealist, and may commend himself to the American people, who show no marked liking for being governed by edict from Mr. Sinnott," and predicts that if the Republicans win, "the League will fall to the dusty stage of pious revolution."

Curiously as to how Mr. Harding interprets Elihu Root's "ambiguously worded" plank is expressed by the Telegraph, which thinks it will not be surprising if this ambiguity were deliberately cultivated on the principle that the least said the soonest mended, as it will be much easier to abuse Mr. Wilson's failure than to suggest a satisfactory alternative.

"The vagueness of the Republican platform," the Times says, "leaves plenty of scope for its favorable interpretation in strong and honest hands. We have much faith in the American conscience, and if we appeal to it we must come into contact with clean hands."

PARIS, June 14.—Few newspapers in this city venture to comment on the action of the Republican National Convention at Chicago.

"It is a triumph of the machine, over personalities sufficiently powerful or well supplied with funds to be in a position to appeal directly to the Nation," declares Partinax, political editor of the Echo de Paris.

In examining the platform of the Republican Party, Partinax pays special attention to the possible resuscitation of the Panama controversy and the Canadian wood pulp question.

"We need not fear that such an attitude will degenerate into abstention from European affairs or hostility toward Europe," says Partinax.

many elements of the Republican Party are bound up in our affairs, our preoccupations. The silence observed regarding Ireland shows we desire to get on with our own business with England."

St. Brice, in the Journal, thinks the nomination was a triumph of party discipline, remarking: "The organizers had to steer between two rocks—a battle between persons and a clash of principles—and they manoeuvred with remarkable skill."

"Mr. Harding is a champion of the international political point of view which raised the Versailles Treaty," says the Journal. "But all Frenchmen are greatly satisfied with the elimination of Hiram Johnson, whose heart and spirit have never been greatly in favor in France." Mr. Harding is of a type made up of uprighteness and kindness and work. He deserves our respect and our generous sympathy.

The newspaper comments on the fact that Mr. Harding is an intimate friend of Myron T. Herrick, former United States Ambassador to France, and a real friend of this country.

CALL GOES OUT FOR THIRD PARTY TO MEET JULY 10

Amos Pinchot and Committee of 48 Heads Movement—La Follette May Lead It.

CHICAGO, June 14.—A third political party to contest in the coming Presidential campaign will be launched here July 10.

The committee of forty-eight issued the call for the convention. The announcement declares candidates for the Presidency, Vice Presidency, Congress and numerous State tickets will be put in the field.

Announcement that a third ticket would be named was made by Amos Pinchot, member of the Committee of Forty-eight. This was followed by rumors that Senator La Follette would head that ticket.

The statement by Mr. Pinchot declared that the "Republican party has driven out of representation in its councils the millions of voters who followed Roosevelt, Johnson and La Follette" and that the new party will represent these voters and "present a definite and constructive programme."

Reports concerning Senator La Follette's possible candidacy were less clearly defined and in some instances were linked with declarations made in behalf of the Committee of Forty-eight.

Harry M. Daugherty, pre-convention campaign manager for Senator Harding, began preparations for the Presidential nominee's campaign by requesting the National Committee to take "prompt, snappy and energetic action" in placing the merits of the Republican issues before the voters of the country.

Party managers, it was said, would start the campaign soon after the Democratic convention is held and would not wait until Senator Harding and Governor Coolidge are officially notified of their nomination.

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