

EACH FACTION CLAIMS IT ROUTED THE OTHER Queer Outcome of Expected Wilson and Anti-Wilson Clash.

DAZED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE Hudson County Committee Forms Congress Committees and Then Adjourns.

The Wilson and anti-Wilson factions in the Hudson County Democratic County Committee met at the clubhouse of the Democratic Club of Hudson county in Jersey city, last night with fire in their eyes and rancor in their bosoms, and adjourned five minutes later in a haze after the adoption by a unanimous vote of a resolution forming the committee into Congress districts committee for the purpose of taking such action in regard to the conduct of the campaign as they may deem for the best interest of the Democratic party.

The leaders of the Wilson cohorts left the hall declaring they had driven the anti-Wilson men into a hole, and the anti-Wilson leaders said with much enthusiasm that they had put one over on Mayor H. Otto Wittmann of Jersey City, Sheriff N. Peter Wedin of Hudson county and other Wilson big guns.

Several weeks ago Gov. Wilson's candidacy for the Presidential nomination was endorsed by the county committee by a vote of 62 to 36, less than one-third of the total membership of the committee being present. At the next meeting Frank Hague, leader of the anti-Wilson forces in the county, sought to put through a resolution providing for un instructed delegates and for the forming of county committees into Congress district committees.

County Chairman James Hennessey, a Wilson man, wouldn't listen to the proposition to have a standing vote on the resolution and went to the City Hall to get the county committee's roll book. On his way back to the meeting three men held him up in the street and took the book. The meeting broke up in disorder as soon as he reported what had happened.

Mayor Wittmann, Sheriff Wedin and others expected that Hague and the other anti-Wilson men would put one over on the Governor at last night's session and made elaborate preparations to put down a riot. Mayor Wittmann's right hand man, George F. Witt, president of the police board, got the police on the job and thirty picked men from all parts of the city guarded the approaches to the Democratic Club's quarters or lingered at the City Hall station awaiting a riot call. Sheriff Wedin, on the telephone request of Mayor Wittmann, sent a dozen deputies to the hall. Unarmed men were taken to keep all but members from entering the meeting room and every man had to produce his membership card. The presence of the police and deputies worked on the feelings of all, but the leaders of the opposing factions and it was expected that there would be blood on the moon.

As soon as Chairman Hennessey called the meeting to order Register John J. McMahon of Hudson county introduced the resolution calling for the formation of Congress district committees to be composed of county committeemen. Frank Hague seconded the motion to adopt the resolution, declaring that the proper place to settle all scraps was at the polls. Former Police Commissioner William C. Farmer of Jersey City, another anti-Wilson man, after a long and heated adoption, and to the great surprise of almost everybody, so did Police Commissioner Witt, Mayor Wittmann's mouthpiece for the occasion. The motion was then adopted by a unanimous vote and everybody laughed in a helpless sort of way. The meeting, then adjourned and the members of the way out tried to figure what had happened.

Chairman Hennessey said that the Wilson men had driven Hague and his friends into the back woods. "There were 500 of the 505 members here to-night," Hennessey said, "and we had about 200 of them with us." Hague was as happy as a clam at high tide. "There is nothing to it," he said. "Wilson is beaten in Hudson county. We have a majority of the committee men in the newly created Congress district committees and the committeemen are the boys who will get the votes out on primary day. The Wilson men saw that they were beaten tonight and because they were afraid of a showdown they voted to adopt the resolution which they opposed at the last meeting."

The opinion was generally expressed that Mayor Wittmann and his friends realize that Gov. Wilson is losing ground and are trying to find the easiest way out of a dilemma. Hague, it was said, is entirely willing to let the resolution pass by a small vote of the committee endorsing Wilson stand so long as the Congress district committeemen are authorized to bear the brunt of the primary campaign work.

The suggestion was also made that if Hague really outgrows the anti-Wilson pen and Sheriff Wedin in last night's skirmish he will step up as the logical leader of Hudson county's Democracy, which has been leaderless since the death of Bob Davis. Hague was formerly Mayor Wittmann's chief lieutenant. He broke away from the Mayor in the early part of the year. He is a member of the Street and Water Board.

FOR BATTLESHIP IDAHO. The State to Present Silver Service to the Warship To-day.

WASHINGTON, May 3. Arrangements were made at the Navy Department to-day for the battleship Idaho to receive a belated tribute from the State of Idaho in the form of the usual silver service. The presentation ceremonies will take place at the Philadelphia navy yard to-morrow afternoon.

WORKMEN'S BILL IN SENATE. Compensation Measure Considered More Than Five Hours.

WASHINGTON, May 3. The Senate considered the workmen's bill for more than five hours to-day, but did not dispose of the measure. At 5 o'clock the Senate took a recess until to-morrow at 11, with the understanding that disposition of the bill will be made before adjournment.

The Senators opposing the bill are demanding that a vote be postponed until the next session. The test of strength will come on a vote to postpone a motion to which has been made.

Yellow Fever at Honolulu, This Week. The disease has been reported at Honolulu, this week, occurring at Honolulu, this week, as reported by the Honolulu Board of Health. The disease has been reported at Honolulu, this week, as reported by the Honolulu Board of Health.

U. S. HAS PAID CANNON \$250,000. "Uncle Joe" Says So in Hot Speech Against Millicent Cull.

WASHINGTON, May 3. The House today had its annual row over the proposal to cut down the mileage allowance of members. According to Uncle Joe Cannon, who made a hot speech in opposition to the proposed reduction, members have been "agonizing" over the mileage account for at least thirty-eight years to his personal knowledge. Mr. Cannon jumped all over Representative Page, a North Carolina Democrat, who wanted the mileage allowance reduced to the actual necessities of the members.

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STOPS DUMMY CLERK HIRE. House Shocks Itself by Placing Secretaries on Payroll.

WASHINGTON, May 3. The House was shocked to-day when Representative Bartlett of Georgia compelled members to vote for an amendment to the legislative bill requiring that the names of secretaries to members shall be placed on the payroll.

For years an allowance of \$1,500 a year has been granted to members for clerk hire. This money has been paid in some instances, it is charged, to dummies who performed no service and in others it has been whispered it has gone into the pockets of members.

Session after session a reformer has appeared insisting that members' clerks should be put on the payroll and the full allowance paid to the appointee. Heretofore all motions of this kind have been howled down.

Through a little team work on the part of Representatives Underwood and Bartlett the great reform was accomplished. The legislative bill of course was considered in Committee of the Whole, and Mr. Underwood was in the chair. When an amendment providing that clerk hire allowances should be made direct to the appointee was offered heretofore the chairman always ruled it out of order. Not so with Mr. Underwood. Upon presentation of the Bartlett amendment Mr. Underwood held it to be in order.

BID NIKISCH GODSPEED. New York Musicians Club Gives Dinner in His Honor.

Three hundred of the best known musicians of the country and music lovers joined last night in a farewell dinner to Arthur Nikisch at the Hotel Astor. The host really was the New York Musicians club, which in its lighter hours is known as the Bohemians, but everybody joined in to testify their appreciation of the art of the distinguished visitor.

Rubin Goldmark was the toastmaster, and in addition to the principal guest he had at the main table with him Carl Ritter, Harold Bauer, Frank Damrosch, Harry Harkness, Engler, August Franke, W. E. Fales, Charles Steinway, Rudolph Schirmer, Ben Warburg, Arthur Whiting, Erann Zimoloff, the distinguished Russian violinist, Sigmund Herzog, Alfred Herz, M. Halperson, W. J. Henderson, Dr. Arthur Stein, F. E. L. Torriani, Henry Weisel, Dr. Carl Goldmark, Emil Goldmark, Max Fuchs, E. H. Behrens, Dr. Felix Cohn, Carl Doss, Dr. J. R. Jacobs, Arthur Nevin, Rafael Joseffy, Rutger B. Jewett, Franz Nigl, Reinhold De Koven and Howard Pew.

At the small tables in the banquet room were men whose names are well known in the musical households of the city, with other men who have shown their love for music in many substantial ways. Some of these men were Dr. E. Burch, Nathan Franko, Arnold Volpe, Otto Weil, Max Lasker and Winthrop L. Rogers.

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BROOKLYN BRIDGE WAS GALLERY FOR FIRE FANS. Blaze Was a Small One, but It Drew a Big Crowd and Made Lots of Trouble.

It came about the time the homegoing tide on the Brooklyn Bridge was at its flood and as it was accompanied by a lot of smoke the human imagination did the rest.

IT CAME AT RUSH HOUR Homegoers Stopped to Look While Amateur Firemen Went Into Action.

For a fire that did not amount to so very much a little blaze in the rear of 13 Frankfort street, which is a cañon to the east of Park row, drew a bigger audience and caused more trouble for the time being than anything of the kind in the city for some time.

Number 13 is an old fashioned four story brick building with an extension of the same height. The extension is occupied by the J. C. Edgcombe Company, steam packing manufacturers, while William Denyse & Son have the two upper floors of the main building.

The fire started somehow in the Edgcombe plant and signified its presence by shooting a wall of smoke over on the bridge and into the offices of the larger Park row buildings, mostly newspaper offices. The snuff of smoke stopped the homebound rush dead, and it began to pile up on the bridge, to the despair of Police Captain O'Toole, who had as much chance to keep them moving as he did to move the terminals. They piled up right there, climbed up on the sides, leaned over the railings, peered through the windows and forgot all about Brooklyn.

The fire had kindly "tipped" itself off to the newspaper editors who were just going home. In about two minutes there were regiments of reporters under personal charge of the editors themselves, right on the scene. Special writers, regular reporters, incident men, word artists, sleuths, statistical men, photographers, line artists, diagrammers and moving picture manipulators fell over each other. It was near the Press Club, and men who have not written a story since Horace Greeley ran for President first called up the newspaper offices and then went into action. Amateur fire fighters in the adjacent buildings across the street grabbed up all the portable fire fighting appliances and helped out. Some ardent men in the Tribune Building mistook the location and turned a couple of standpipes loose on the restaurant of Loeb & Weise at 11. They succeeded in flooding out the restaurant and its fifty patrons before they could be stopped. A restaurant at 15 shared the same fate. The firemen who were trying to work down in the street stood a better chance

of being drowned than being burned to death. The telephones of the States Zeitung and the Press went out of commission for the time being because the underground conduits were flooded. The four floors of the extension were pretty well soaked. The damage might be \$2,000, Chief Renlon thought. It took several hours to get the bridge jam straightened out.

SENATE AGRICULTURAL BILL. It Increases the Appropriations Made by the House by \$1,723,610.

WASHINGTON, May 3. Senator Burnham to-day reported the agricultural appropriation bill. It increases the appropriations of the House by \$1,723,610, and carries a total of \$17,626,967, which is nearly \$2,000,000 in excess of the estimates.

The increases are distributed among the several bureaus and divisions of the Department of Agriculture, as follows: Secretary's office, \$12,850; Weather Bureau, \$10,000; Bureau of Animal Industry, \$75,000; Bureau of Plant Industry, \$130,310; Forest Service, \$28,800; Bureau of Chemistry, \$25,240; Bureau of Soils, \$20,000; Bureau of Entomology, \$50,000; Bureau of Biological Survey, \$66,000; Division of Publications, \$2,100; Bureau of Statistics, \$30,000; Office of Experiment Stations, \$32,300; Office of Public Roads, \$20,000; emergency, fire fighting and patrol of the Forest Service, \$800,000; chestnut tree bark disease, \$10,000.

The increase in the Weather Bureau is to provide for the establishment of an additional station and increase salaries of a few employees. This section is amended also to provide for the scientific study of earthquake phenomena. An increase of \$7,000 for the Bureau of Plant Industry is to study the best method of meeting the ravages of the cotton boll weevil. The increase in the Forest Service also provides for forestry rangers and \$225,000 is added for construction and maintenance of roads, trails, telephone lines, etc. in the national forest reserves. The \$100,000 increase charged against the Bureau of Statistics is for the creation of a new division to be known as the Division of Markets, to study the marketing of farm products.

Sherman Home Till Tuesday. WASHINGTON, May 3. Vice-President Sherman has gone to Utah to remain until Tuesday. He will attend a meeting of the trustees of Hamilton College to-morrow.

STATE TROOPS AS PART OF ARMY. Bill Transferring Them to the Regular Service in Time of War.

WASHINGTON, May 3. At an important military conference now in progress in Washington the subject of the assimilation of the National Guard into the regular army of the United States for service either within or outside the boundaries of the country is being considered and a bill providing for the use of the National Guard as a part of the regular army in time of war has practically received the endorsement of the conference. There is little doubt, with its present strong backing, that such legislation will easily go through Congress. In effect, it will mean almost a remodeling of the United States Army in time of war.

Under the bill discussed by the conference, it is provided that the National Guard shall be transferred to the regular army in time of war. On account of the demand of some of the guard officers that they should be taken into the regular army with the same rank they held in the guard, the conference decided that the general principle obtaining in this case would be that the guard would be taken over in tactical units, that is by battalions, companies, regiments, brigades or divisions, the officers being taken only as they formed a part in these tactical organizations. They would then be subject to the army regulations as to military and physical qualifications.

Those attending the conference here included Secretary of War Stimson, Major-General Leonard Wood, Chief of Staff of the Army, and the National Militia Board, consisting of Brig.-Gen. C. P. Boardman of Wisconsin, Brig.-Gen. W. E. Finzer of Oregon, Major-General Thomas J. Stewart of Pennsylvania, Col. W. S. Metcalf of Kansas and Major H. S. Berry of Tennessee.

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