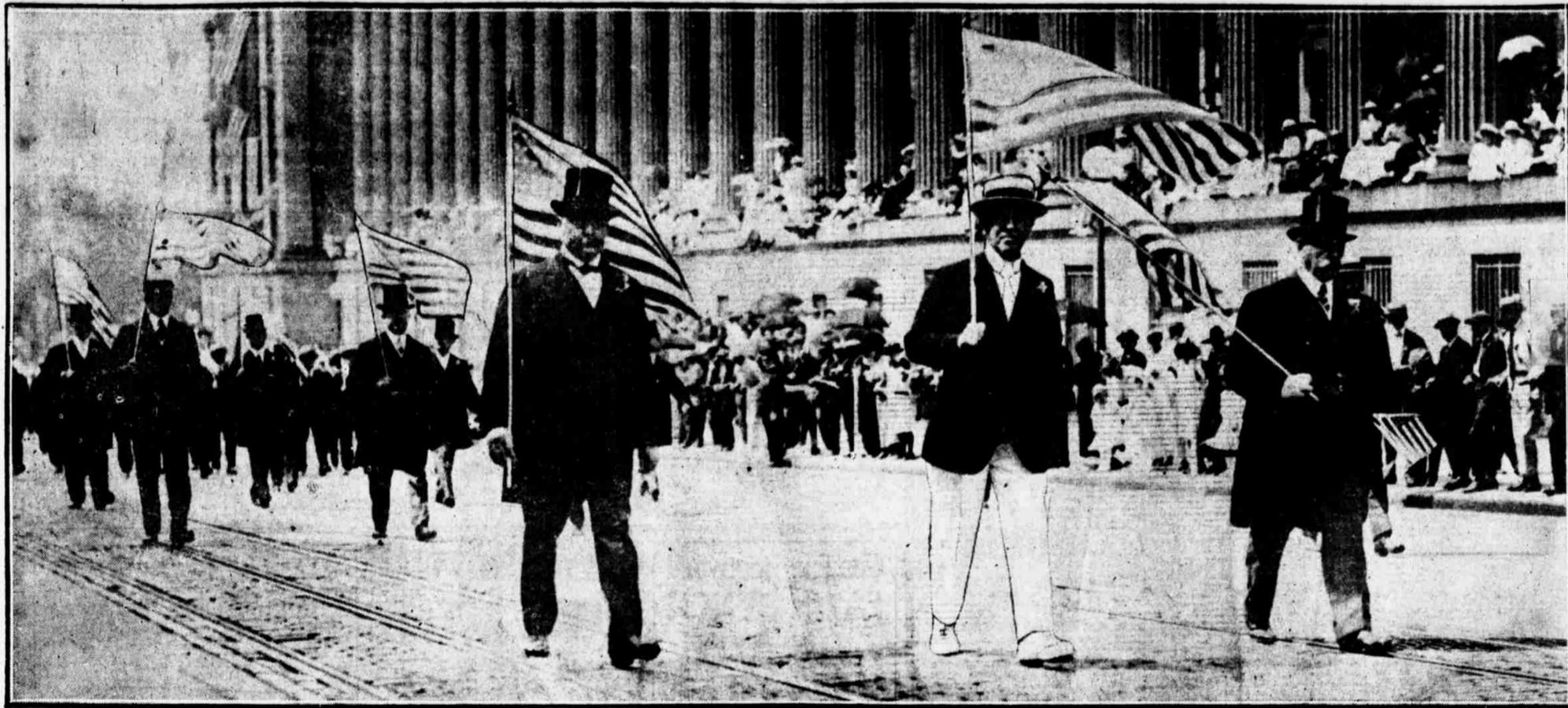


President Leads 60,000 in Preparedness Parade As Thousands Line Avenue and Cheer Marchers



PRESIDENT WILSON LEADING PREPAREDNESS PARADE, FLANKED ON RIGHT BY WILLIAM F. GUDE, AND ON LEFT BY RUDOLPH KAUFFMANN.

DEMOCRATS GATHER IN ST. LOUIS TO NAME STANDARD BEARERS

By PERRY ARNOLD.

ST. LOUIS, June 14.—Something more than 2,000 persons assembled here today to renominate Woodrow Wilson for President and Thomas Riley Marshall for Vice President.

The Democratic national convention was called to order at noon by National Chairman McCombs and started on its oratorical way.

The women—suffragists—and the flag furnished the color to the gathering today. Democrats seized upon Flag Day to arouse the crowd to a high frenzy of patriotism.

Nearly 15,000 flags were distributed to delegates, alternates, and spectators. At a given signal two big flags were unfurled in the Coliseum, and, with the band playing "The Star-Spangled Banner," the great hall was transformed into a sea of waving flags.

The women staged a silent demonstration of their plea for the ballot. For two hours the suffrage workers, dressed in the white and gold of the suffrage colors, lined Locust street, for the distance between the Jefferson Hotel and the Coliseum. They didn't say a word—the idea was to bore in on the consciousness of the delegates the fact that the women desired equal suffrage.

Because of the very fact that the work of the convention is to be perfunctory there was a growing sentiment today among delegates that the work will be hurried along.

MAY ADVANCE NOMINATION.

There may be an attempt made to advance the date of the nomination. The delegates know there is only one candidate for the Presidential nomination; they are perfectly willing to adopt any sort of a platform, pleasing to him, so why fuss and speculate, and balk in the heat and pay big hotel rates for several perfectly unnecessary days?

The plan to consolidate several of the purely speech-making sessions grew in favor today with knowledge that President Wilson regards unlucky Friday as one of his lucky days, and would be perfectly happy to be renominated on that day. The original plan was to wait until after midnight Friday to put through the national ticket.

The convention seems more like a Democratic gathering. But there didn't seem today to be anything belligerent anywhere or on any issue where there was a chance for belligerency—except a desparately inflated series of boomlets for Roger Sullivan and Governor Major as Vice Presidential nominees, having failed to attain a size sufficient to insure a real contest against Marshall.

National Committeeman Edward F. Goitra, of Missouri, has been the one real peppy, belligerent Democrat in St. Louis—and he was sat down upon hard by the national committee, so nothing remained.

Goitra tried to hold up the whole convention until he was given what he considered his share of tickets, but the committee simply sicked Charlie White, of prize ring fame, on him—White being official doorkeeper of the convention—and Goitra faded away.

Former Governor Glynn's "Key-note speech" will be found on Page Thirteen.

WOMEN MAKE FINE SHOWING IN PARADE

Thousands Call Forth Plaudits For Soldierly Bearing and Attractive Appearance.

The women marchers of whom there were thousands in the parade, made a fine showing.

This was the unanimous verdict of the thousands who lined the Avenue and occupied every available window or seat of vantage to view the great demonstration.

Attired in various costumes and uniforms, but with white dresses predominating, the feminine participants immediately attracted attention for their soldierly bearing, and the precision with which they marched.

Each carrying an American flag or some other form of national emblem, the bright colors of which contrasted with the white garb, gave the appearance of an expertly drilled company of skirted soldiers.

The first large body of women marchers in the parade were those from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing. Twenty-five abreast, the feminine marchers stretched away for two squares. Each wore white duck complete, with hat of the same material and white shoes.

Each One Carries Flag.

The first women in the huge demonstration were employees of the Treasury and War Departments. In each unit, the women carried large American flags in addition to the individual flags of each marcher.

The Navy division, which was one of the largest, and most impressive of the parade, had only a small quota of women marchers, but the novelty of their formation attracted much attention. Three lines of twenty-five abreast were seen with the front line carrying red umbrellas, the second white, and the third blue, forming the national colors.

Real women soldiers were seen in the Interior Department division, when the Home Club Target Club passed. In this portion of the parade the thirty feminine sharpshooters wore numbers.

The Indian Bureau of the Interior Department also boasted of many women marchers. Particularly effective were the young women who represented the Carlisle Indian School. At intervals during the parade, these expertly drilled young women demonstrated their military knowledge by various formations using the widest part of the Avenue in front of the Washington Times building to give a complete demonstration.

St. Patrick's Children in Green. The Interior Department division also included a section demonstrative of the nursing staffs of various Government hospitals. The first portion of this exhibit was formed by women wearing the regulation nurses' costume, with white apron and caps to match. Following them were nurses in the Bureau of Mines first aid service.

A unique feature of the pageant was the presence of the hundreds of children from St. Patrick's parish schools. Each wore a white dress.

Parade Likely to Last Until 6 o'Clock.

Although the procession is moving at a good three-mile-an-hour pace, and the marchers are in close formation, as compared with other pageants held here, it was estimated this afternoon that it will require between eight and nine hours for the 60,000 participants to pass.

By actual count, 3,500 passed before the Munsey building between 11 and 11:30 this morning. This is at the rate of 7,000 an hour, and on this basis it will require just eight hours and a half for the pageant to pass.

These figures indicate that it will be 6 o'clock this afternoon before the last division passes before the President's reviewing stand.

HOUSE ADJOURNS IN HONOR OF THE FLAG

Yea-and-Nay Vote Necessary, However, Before Paying This Respect.

The House of Representatives adjourned "out of respect and loyalty for the American Flag" at 12:10 o'clock today without transacting any business. The motion for adjournment was made by Congressman Mann of Illinois.

The motion, however, was only adopted after a ye and nay vote had been demanded by Congressman Webb of North Carolina.

The vote was 92 for adjournment, against 52, with five members voting present. The House will reconvene at 12 o'clock tomorrow.

Pindell Wants Wilson To Address Convention

ST. LOUIS, June 14.—Henry M. Pindell, of Illinois, once named as ambassador to Russia, has suggested that a motion be made in the convention to invite President Wilson to come here Saturday and address the convention. He has asked one of the Texas delegation to make the motion.

Plan Your Summer Now! From the Resort and Excursion advertisements in today's Times, pages 16 and 17.—Adv.

PRESIDENT, ON FOOT, LEADS HUGE PARADE

Wilson, Carrying Flag, Marches to White House, Then Reviews Pageant.

With shoulders thrown back and head erect, President Wilson, carrying a large silken flag, marched on foot today at the head of Washington's Preparedness Parade.

From the Peace Monument to the White House—the route of the parade—dense crowds lined Pennsylvania avenue, cheering themselves hoarse.

At the end of the line of march, in front of the White House, a reviewing stand, draped with the national colors and guarded by a squad of cavalry, had been placed. Here the President dropped out of line, and, with members of his family about him and officials of the parade committee, he reviewed the parade as it passed.

President on Time

Prompt as always on his appointments, the President was on hand at the Peace Monument just one minute before 9:30 o'clock. He had driven out in one of the White House cars with Mrs. Wilson, who, leaving him there, drove back to the reviewing stand.

Following up the car containing the President's secret service squad, headed by Chief Flynn, which spread out to either side and behind the President, Secretary of the President Tumulty, who was to head the clerks of the Executive offices, who marched behind the President, Col. W. W. Harris, the President's military aide, who was in civilian clothes, and Assistant Secretaries Forster and Branham.

The President wore a straw hat, dark (Continued on Page Twelve.)

CONCERT GIVEN BY WOMAN MARCHERS

A feature of the parade of unusual interest was the singing by the members of the Ladies of the G. A. R. and the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Before the parade started the women gave an impromptu concert at New Jersey avenue and E streets, where they were waiting to fall into line.

The two organizations were close together in line and the Ladies of the G. A. R. started singing patriotic songs. The Daughters of the Confederacy joined in, and for half or three-quarters of an hour a regular concert was given. "The Star-Spangled Banner," "America," "The Red, White, and Blue," "Dixie," "Yankee Doodle," and most of the patriotic songs were sung and resung several times.

Army Appropriation Bill Provides \$157,000,000

The House Committee on Military Affairs today voted to report out the army appropriation bill carrying a total amount of \$157,000,000. One-half million dollars was added at the request of Secretary of War Baker for summer training camps.

CAPITAL EXPRESSES "SPIRIT OF 1916" IN MONSTER PAGEANT

"Citizen" Woodrow Wilson at Head, as Representatives of Every Government Department and Bureau March Down Nation's Appian Way in Great Defense Demonstration.

Sixty thousands men, women, and children marched through Pennsylvania avenue today to express the spirit of 1916.

The President, marching as "Citizen" Woodrow Wilson, walked at their head. Employees of every Government department and bureau, for the first time in history, marched together in the procession.

The parade moved along the most historic thoroughfare, the Appian way of the nation. There the spirit of other years, of '61 and of '98, has found expression.

There inaugural processions have moved, there the nation has honored its returning heroes, and yearly paid them added tribute, there funeral corteges have passed, there great demonstrations of all kinds have been held.

Never before have thousands paraded there to express a hope and a conviction. Today the parade commemorated no event. It was a city's tribute to the flag, an expression of loyalty to Americanism, a demonstration for preparedness.

STARTS IN CAPITOL'S SHADOW.

The parade started under the shadow of the Capitol's dome, where assemble the men who realize the spirit of the nation.

It ended near the White House, where the last pen stroke of a declaration of war, in the case of such a crisis, would be taken. It took place in the city on which the nation's eyes are focused. It was impressed upon the attention of the men who make the nation's laws.

For the first time in history a President of the United States marched on foot at the head of a parade along Pennsylvania avenue.

The marchers moved with greater speed than is usual for long parades. The music of the bands, for the most part, was lively, and sometimes martial. Sixty thousand took part in the parade: tens of thousands more expressed their approval by applause and cheers as the paraders passed.

The President was cheered, and he bowed to the left and right in acknowledgment. (Continued on Page Twelve.)