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# TAFT NOMINATED FOR PRESIDENT FIRST BALLOT

## *CHOICE FOR VICE PRESIDENT PROBABLY WILL BE BETWEEN TWO OF IOWA'S SONS*

## TAFT AND DOLLIVER IS WAY REPUBLICAN TICKET MAY READ

### Nominee Will Be Permitted to Name His Own Running Mate if He Expresses Such a Wish

### Iowa Not Prepared to Part with Senator as It Would Create Disturbance in State's Politics—New York Will Support Sherman as Long as He Has Chance for Second Place Nomination

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, June 17.—The presidential candidate will be permitted to name his running mate, if he so desires.

No sooner had the convention adjourned today that Mr. Taft's immediate supporters set to work to ascertain his wishes regarding a candidate for the vice presidency.

They wired him direct, and pending his reply refused to voice any opinion as to the probable outcome of the balloting. As a rule, the Taft men manifested a willingness to abide by the secretary's wish, but there were those among them who took the position that the delegates should be permitted to cast their votes according to their own predilections.

For the first time there was an active propaganda in the interest of Congressman Sherman of New York. It was stated postively that he would have the support of the entire delegation from his own state, and it was stated by Chairman Woodruff that he would get Oklahoma solid, and that he would have votes from many other states, specifially mentioning Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Colorado and many of the New England and other states.

There was also renewed talk in the interest of Senator Dolliver. There was a growing belief that Secretary Taft would declare for the Iowa senator, and it was freely predicted that he would be nominated in case the secretary's preference should be made known before the beginning of the balloting tomorrow.

#### Is Taft's Preference

Much as the question of Dolliver's nomination has been discussed, and the many assertions and denials as there have been concerning the attitude of the secretary of war toward him, there is a strong impression that the Iowa senator was the real preference of the nominee for the first place, and most of Secretary Taft's friends were willing to accept Dolliver, if he should be indicted by the secretary, even though his nomination should make as much trouble in Iowa as has been predicted.

The Iowa men were not prepared for the movement in behalf of their candidate, and they were actively engaged in heading it off. They held a meeting during the day and declared for Cummins, but, when they began a canvass in his behalf did not find general encouragement. There was still talk in favor of Vice President Fairbanks, but his stock went down before the frequently expressed opinion that the secretary would not give him the preference of his indorsement.

There was some resentment among the Taft people over the slighting allusions to their methods made by the vice president's friends in the speeches in the convention today, and it was evident that unless the Taft men should become convinced of the wisdom of renominating the vice president in the interest of the ticket he would not be chosen.

There were those among Mr. Taft's friends who were willing to say that Mr. Fairbanks could do more for the ticket than any one else, and they contended for his nomination even in the face of criticisms and differences of opinion. Those nearest to the secretary were, however, apparently not among those who had this view.

#### Massachusetts for Guild

There was no intimation tonight but what Massachusetts would present Governor Guild's name to the convention. Senator Lodge is slated to make the nomination speech, and it is said some member of the Michigan delegation, among whom Gov. Guild is popular, will second the nomination.

A number of Massachusetts men sought out the other New England delegations tonight and urged concerted action in behalf of Governor Guild. They met with some encouragement, but no actual promise, it is understood, was given. None of the New England states held meetings tonight, although it was said that some of the states would seek to agree upon a candidate when the delegations came together at the convention hall tomorrow.

New Hampshire's sentiment seemed to tend toward Fairbanks, although none of the delegates would give direct preference.

It was said that Vermont would vote for Sherman of New York. Rhode Island was also inclined to favor a New York man for second place, and the consensus of opinion among the Connecticut party was in a similar vein.

Some of the Massachusetts supporters of Governor Guild claimed tonight that if three or four ballots for vice president were taken without a nomination other New England states would change to Guild in order to obtain representation on the ticket from that section of the country.

The Illinois delegation seemed to favor Sherman of New York. There is little sentiment of any other sort to be found in the delegation.

In the hope of staving off the administration's understood preference for Senator Dolliver, George D. Perkins, chairman of the Iowa delegation, wired President Roosevelt in the name of himself and nineteen others of the delegation as follows:

"The following members of the Iowa delegation protest in the strongest terms against the selection of Dolliver as vice president."

The Iowa delegation in caucus tonight finally went on record for Governor Cummins as their candidate for Secretary Taft's running mate. The vote was unanimous. The firm stand taken by a majority of the delegation against Mr. Dolliver because of the political situation in Iowa and Mr. Dolliver's own announcement that he did not desire the nomination, made necessary the meeting in order that a candidate might be decided upon. Having in mind the understood preference of the administration for Governor Cummins, his name was fully discussed. At no time did the opponents of Senator Dolliver waver. Twenty-four of the twenty-six delegates were present, the motion to place the name of Governor Cummins before the convention being made by Lafayette Young of Des Moines. The two absentees, it was stated, would join with their colleagues in supporting Governor Cummins.

Robert Healy of Fort Dodge was designated to make the nominating speech. In the event that Senator Dolliver's name is presented by any other state, it is stated that the delegation had full authority to withdraw it.

New York state restored herself tonight to the convention map, her position on which has thus far been obscured by lack of harmony in the delegation. In a caucus with marked evidence of enthusiasm, it was unanimously voted to back with the whole state strength of seventy-eight votes the candidacy of Representative James S. Sherman of Utica.

In accepting the caucus instructions to present Sherman's name in the convention tomorrow, Chairman Woodruff said he had been informed that the candidacy of John Hays Hammond had been withdrawn, and that if desired by New York, Colorado would therefore give way on the roll call to New York in order to get Sherman's name early before the delegates; that he had official assurances also of the support of a number of other states, especially including Michigan, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Maine, Iowa and Idaho.

#### New York for Sherman

The men in the delegation who have been working since they arrived here first to secure the undivided support of the delegates for the presidential candidacy of Governor Hughes, and then for a unanimous vote for Sherman, who has at all times been the personal choice of a majority of the delegation, failed in the first, but brilliantly succeeded in the second.

The Hughes men were among the most enthusiastic in their support of Sherman in the caucus. Two of the four delegates-at-large who were under specific instructions for Hughes, spoke for "Sherman and harmony."

Gen. Stewart L. Woodford, who has been regarded as the leader of the Hughes interests, was not present, but had given Senator Raines his unqualified proxy in the matter. One of the most cordial indorsements of Sherman was that of former Mayor Seth Low of New Work, who has been himself among those talked of for the nomination.

Senator Alfred Page of New York, who has been at all times regarded as closest to Governor Hughes, joined heartily in the demonstration for Sherman. So did Frederick Hazzard of Syracuse, who was included in the delegation at the personal suggestion of the governor.

Sherman's name was presented to the caucus by Representative J. Sloat Fassett, who emphasized the importance of the thirty-nine votes of New York state in the electoral college.

#### Democrats Need New York

"The Republican ticket might win without New York," said he, "but no man will attempt to say that the Democrats can without the thirty-nine votes of New York state."

He declared that with all internal differences buried, New York united and aggressive would lead the national ticket to brilliant victory at the polls.

Senator Raines, who is temporary president of the state senate, said that after this morning's session of the convention he had asked Gen. Woodford for and had obtained his proxy.

"As for orders," Gen. Woodford told the senator, "they are to do as I would do if I were there."

"And what would you do?" asked Raines.

"I would do what I pleased," was the general's reply.

Mr. Fassett moved that Chairman Woodruff be instructed o present the name of Representative Sherman for the nomination and to deliver the solid vote of the state for him. The motion was carried with a yell and for half an hour the headquarters rocked with deafening cheers.

#### Apprehension Removed

WASHINGTON, June 18.—Apprehension that any further indication of the preference of Secretary Taft in the matter of his running mate on the Republican ticket might jeopardize his chances for the presidential nomination having been removed by the result of the first ballot at Chicago today, significant hints were dropped tonight that the same reason for re-

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### Secretary of War Is Republican Choice for the Presidential Chair

WILLIAM H. TAFT

## HANALEI IS NOW LONG OVERDUE

### HAS LARGE PASSENGER LIST AND WEATHER IS BAD

### Vessel of Merchants' Independent Line Should Have Left San Pedro Last Night on Return Voyage North

The Merchants' Independent line steamer Hanalei, Captain McFarlane, from San Francisco to San Pedro with a large passenger list and a big cargo of freight, is overdue sixteen hours and grave fears are entertained for her safety.

High winds and heavy seas have prevailed along the coast for two days, and it is feared the Hanalei has met with a mishap. She left San Francisco Tuesday afternoon and was due at San Pedro yesterday morning. Nothing was heard of the vessel up to a late hour last night, and if she arrives this morning she must anchor outside until daylight.

About a score of persons who went to San Pedro yesterday morning to meet friends who were coming south on the Hanalei waited all day for her arrival, and last night, after being informed that she could not anchor until today, left in considerable anxiety.

The Hanalei was scheduled to sail on the return trip to San Francisco last evening and more than a hundred prospective passengers were at the dock in San Pedro. They were advised by officials of the Independent company that the vessel would not depart until tomorrow evening, provided she anchored this morning, and they sought shelter for the night.

Seafaring men at San Pedro last night expressed no little anxiety as to the fate of the steamer and the fact that no word was had from her increased their fears.

At midnight the Point Firmin light house had not sighted the vessel.

### FORMER MONTANA GOVERNOR SAYS FRANK IS NOT DERANGED

NEW YORK, June 18.—Former Governor A. F. Spriggs of Montana, who is in this city, said today that the reports in circulation yesterday to the effect that Charles R. Frank, a prominent resident of Butte, had suffered a mental breakdown are incorrect.

Mr. Spriggs said he received word today from Mr. Frank, who is at the home of his mother in Cincinnati, and also from Mr. Frank's brother, to the effect that the breakdown was due to stomach disorder and overwork, but that his mental condition was unimpaired.

### TEMPORARY ROLL CALL

| Vote | States | Taft | Hughes | Cannon | Fairbanks | Knox | LaFollette | Foraker | Roosevelt |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 22 | Alabama | 22 | | | | | | | |
| 18 | Arkansas | 18 | | | | | | | |
| 20 | California | 20 | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Colorado | 10 | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Connecticut | 14 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Delaware | 6 | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Florida | 10 | | | | | | | |
| 26 | Georgia | 17 | | | 1 | | | 8 | |
| 6 | Idaho | 6 | | | | | | | |
| 54 | Illinois | 3 | | 51 | | | | | |
| 30 | Indiana | | | | 30 | | | | |
| 26 | Iowa | 26 | | | | | | | |
| 20 | Kansas | 20 | | | | | | | |
| 26 | Kentucky | 24 | | | 2 | | | | |
| 18 | Louisiana | 18 | | | | | | | |
| 12 | Maine | 12 | | | | | | | |
| 16 | Maryland | 16 | | | | | | | |
| 32 | Massachusetts | 32 | | | | | | | |
| 28 | Michigan | 27 | | 1 | | | | | |
| 22 | Minnesota | 22 | | | | | | | |
| 20 | Mississippi | 20 | | | | | | | |
| 36 | Missouri | 36 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Montana | 6 | | | | | | | |
| 16 | Nebraska | 16 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Nevada | 6 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | N. Hampshire | 5 | | | 3 | | | | |
| 24 | New Jersey | 15 | | 3 | 2 | 4 | | | |
| 78 | New York | 10 | 61 | 6 | | | | | |
| 24 | N. Carolina | 24 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | N. Dakota | 8 | | | | | | | |
| 46 | Ohio | 42 | | | | | | 4 | |
| 14 | Oklahoma | 14 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Oregon | 8 | | | | | | | |
| 68 | Pennsylvania | 1 | | | | 64 | | | 3 |
| 8 | Rhode Island | 8 | | | | | | | |
| 18 | S. Carolina | 13 | | | 2 | | | 2 | |
| 8 | S. Dakota | 8 | | | | | | | |
| 24 | Tennessee | 24 | | | | | | | |
| 36 | Texas | 36 | | | | | | | |
| 6 | Utah | 6 | | | | | | | |
| 8 | Vermont | 8 | | | | | | | |
| 24 | Virginia | 21 | 2 | | | | | 1 | |
| 10 | Washington | 10 | | | | | | | |
| 14 | W. Virginia | 14 | | | | | | | |
| 26 | Wisconsin | 1 | | | | | 25 | | |
| 6 | Wyoming | 6 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Alaska | 2 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Arizona | 2 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Dist. of Col. | 1 | | | | | | 1 | |
| 2 | Hiawaii | 2 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | New Mexico | 2 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Philippine Is. | 2 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Porto Rico | 2 | | | | | | | |
| 980 | Total | 702 | 63 | 61 | 40 | 68 | 25 | 16 | 3 |

## TWELVE INJURED IN REAR END COLLISION

**A rear end collision occurred between the last outbound Whittier and Santa Ana cars at 1:20 o'clock this morning near Slauson Junction. The Santa Ana car bumped into the Whittier car. Both cars were badly smashed up and about ten or twelve passengers were injured, none seriously.**

**The most severe wounds were made by flying glass and several were cut about the face. The injured were quickly removed to the Pacific Electric hospital**

## TAFT TOO HAPPY FOR EXPRESSION

### ATMOSPHERE OF OFFICE FILLED WITH EXCITEMENT

### Entire Family Present to Hear Reading of Bulletins That Tell of Action of Republican Convention

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—"Words do not find themselves at a time like this. I do not deny that I am very happy."

This was the response of Secretary William H. Taft to a request for an expression of his views on his nomination for the presidency.

The sentences did not come easily. Throughout the afternoon preceding the announcement of his nomination the secretary had been laboring under suppressed nervous strain. The atmosphere of his office was electric with excitement.

Notwithstanding the personal interest which he had in the proceedings at Chicago, a thousand miles away, Secretary Taft did not permit politics to interfere for a moment with his transaction of official business as secretary of war. In the intermissions between bulletins from the convention, the secretary disposed of several important departmental questions and when his nomination for the presidency was announced his desk was practically cleared of important official business. Throughout the afternoon the private office of Secretary Taft and the office of his private secretary, Frederick Carpenter, were thronged with members of his family, intimate personal and official friends and newspaper men.

Shortly before 12 o'clock Mrs. Taft arrived at the war department. She scanned carefully the bulletins which had been received from the convention and distinctly manifested her pleasure at the result of the action of the convention regarding the platform. She is a close, accurate observer of things politically and is one of the best advisers the secretary has had throughout the preliminary campaign for the presidential nomination.

#### Family is Present

Mrs. Taft remained in the secretary's private office throughout the afternoon. She was attired in a becoming suit of pure white and wore a big picture hat of pea green straw, adorned with seal brown and pale green ostrich plumes. Accompanying her was the young son of the secretary—little Charlie—whose special function it was to carry the bulletins received from the convention from the telegraph operator to the secretary's desk. He was

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## TEMPORARY ROLL CALL ALL THAT IS NEEDED TO NAME CANDIDATE

### 702 Delegates Cast Their Ballots for Secretary of War When Names of States Are Called

### Hughes, Cannon, Fairbanks, Knox, La Follette and Foraker Draw Votes from Their Own States and Pennslyvania Casts Three for Roosevelt, but Taft Is Only One to Figure from First to Last

By Associated Press.

CHICAGO, June 18.—For president of the United States, William H. Taft of Ohio.

Taft on the first ballot; Taft by 702 votes; Taft by the unanimous choice of the convention.

Such is the record of the culminating day of the Republican national convention of 1908, effected amid scenes of tumultuous enthusiasm and after a nerve racking continuous session lasting nearly eight hours.

With the president named and platform enunciated, there remains only the nomination of the vice president to complete this momentous work.

Tonight the whole city is given over to wild exultation in honor of the new candidate, whose name goes echoing through the country.

The picture within the walls of the vast amphitheater as the presidential candidate was named today was one truly grand in its magnitude. In front, to the right and left, below and above, the billowing sea of humanity, restless after hours of waiting and stirred from one emotion to another, was in a fever of expectancy for the culminating vote. The favorite sons of other states had been named, save Knox and LaFollette, and now on the roll call came Ohio. As the Buckeye state was reached the tall, gaunt form of Theodore E. Burton, with student-like face and severe black clerical garb, advanced to the platform to nominate Ohio's candidate. He spoke fervently, with the singing voice of an evangelist, which went ringing through the great building. The close of his speech of nomination was the signal for the long pent up feeling of the Taft legions.

#### Demonstration for Taft

Instantly the Ohio delegates were on their feet, other Taft states following, while the convention hosts in the gallery and on the floor broke into a mad demonstration.

"Taft! Taft! W. H. Taft!" came in a roar from the Ohioans.

Megaphones seemed to spring from concealed places and swell the Taft tumult into thunder. A huge blue silk banner bearing the familiar features of the statesman-secretary was swung before the delegates, awakening a fresh whirlwind of enthusiasm.

All semblance of order had been abandoned and the delegates were a maelstrom of gesticulating men. The guidons of the states were snatched up by the enthusiasts or borne under by the storm of disorder. The band was inaudible—a mere whisper above the deafening volume of sound.

For ten, fifteen, yes, twenty minutes this uproar continued. It was a repetition of the scene of yesterday when the name of Roosevelt brougth the convention into a frenzy, repeated in intensity and almost in duration. But there is a limit to the physical resources of throat and lung, relays had not been established and at last the tired voices died down to a hoarse shout and at last subsided.

This lull now gave the opportunity for the speech seconding Taft's nomination by George A. Knight of California, his big, round face beaming forth on the sympathetic multitude and his splendid baritone voice going forth like the tones of a great church organ. California's tribute to Taft was brief and fervid. He said:

"Mr. chairman and gentlemen of the convention:

"Not many weeks ago, when the month of May was young in days, it was my priviege and pleasure to view one of the mose impressive scenes that human eyes ever witnessed—our naval fleet. Columbia's guardians of the peace of seas had steamed their way from the Atlantic to our Golden Gate and dropped their anchors in the beautiful bay of San Francisco—an achievement without mishap and a voyage replete with the lesson of our maritime power.

#### Ever Memorable Sight

"The occasion turned back the pages of half forgotten history and flushed again on the poise of the fiery sea all of the names of our naval heroes and their deeds of valor and ships of their commands. The panorama of that day will never be forgotten. It will live in type and ever be told in history and story.

"On hills that slope toward the bay, half hidden in banks of golden poppies, five hundred thousand people sat as on a great dress circle and witnessed the coming of that most majestic power. The magnificent bay was transformed into a stadium and as each battleship passed through Golden Gate, maintaining such an equality of distance and precision of military exactness that all wondered if it could be posisble that they were human and could hear commands. Amid blasts of whistles, music of bands, cheers of a multitude and joyous acclaim of the thousands who cheered, Fighting Bob Evans dropped achor of his flagship and his active life's work was done.

"Storm-tanned veteran of the sea, you passed the ensign of command to the next in line and another page in history is honored by your name.

"From that imposig picture of beauty and instructive power I came here and stand today in this Republican convention, the forum where the story of our nation should be ever new.

"The click of the telegraph and the descriptive type of a progressive press will bring to the homes of America the speeches that you make today and the work done for our country's future. Here in this great amphitheater the Republican party is in counsel with itself. Its work is to shape and fashion a uniform procedure for the future peace and well being of 100,000,000 souls. (We will be this number before what we do here today becomes obsolete.)

"This assemblage is an impressive one beyond power of words and its responsibilities beyond comprehension of any people save Americans. Four years ago in this coliseum we met and nominated our candidate for president. His strong individuality, unimpeachable integrity and recognized ability made him the popular idol of the people and the invincible leader. He has directed the course of our country through troubled waters as variable as human action and thought. His administration has been as vivid and meteroic as the firing on Fort Sumter and it has done as much for the stability of our government as the plenteous products of the mill, farm and mine. Today we choose his successor with voices and hearts in unison with the prayers of the hour. It is the same Republican party that has never sacrificed a principle for popular favor and never surrendered to any opposing force through fear of defeat, that in storm and sunshine has fought the good fight for personal liberty and the continuance of permanent union founded upon a constitution, the best and only one ever written by free men, who had won that liberty on the fields of awful war; that believes in the equal and uniform administration of all laws regardless of class, creed or social condition and guarantees to every man under the flag all the rights and privileges he inherits as an American. It is the same party that places the name of Loncoln with that of Washington and found no cloud in the high heavens of just comparison.

"The cedars in the garden of God could not hide him, the fir trees were not like his boughs and the chestnut trees were not like its branches, nor any tree in the garden of God like unto him in hi beauty.

#### Like Springtime Morning

"His presence is here today, like the breath of a springtime morning and the memories of his labors are as fresh as the dew on the hillside flowers. Yes, yes, a thousand times yes.

"It is the same old permanent, progressive force that has held the world in awe for near unto half a century and put the eternal baptism of man's capabilities for self-government beyond the danger of national decay. And now, the time has come for this historic organization to again choose an executive officer whose fitness is up to the high standards of the past. It is not often that the occasion calls upon experience to walk the path of high official life in true companionship, but forceful circumstances write at a most opportune time of William H. Taft as a leader of men. His personal character, blended with ability and experience, is a trinity of power that make him a fit successor of those who have enriched our history with their patriotic lives. California accords in the nomination of William H. Taft, collegian, lawyer, judge, diplomat and true American, commended as our ideal leader of the party that shall ever be aggressive in the cause of individual liberty for the enforcement of all laws and the great advocate of the principles of the party of union and progress. With such a leader we know 'that the scepter shall not depart from Judea until Shiloh come.'"

Now there was another lull in the Taft movement, while the remaining candidates were placed in nomination.

It was late in the afternoon before the convention, now literally sweltering with the intense heat and weary after nearly seven hours of continuous session, reached the end of the flood of eloquence and the decks were at last cleared for the second speech for La Follette.

When the cheers following the speech had died away, like a cyclone from a clear sky burst a La Follette demonstration which swept the convention from its very bearings. It was the same deafening wave of sound that had greeted Roosevelt yesterday and Taft a little while before, intense and maddening, and with the vital ring of genuine enthusiasm. It seemed as though Wisconsin had suddenly peopled every foot of the galleries. The delegates sat calm and waiting, except the frantic Wisconsins, but the convention for the time being was in the possession of the galleries.

#### Whirlwind for Roosevelt

Now a singular transformation occurred. Gradually the whirlwind veered from LaFollette to Roosevelt. A banner bearing the Roosevelt portrait and waved from the gallery was the signal for the change, but in the confused babel of voices there was no distinguishing where the LaFollette cheers ended and those for Roosevelt began.

Amid this pandemonium and with the galleries in full control, Chairman Lodge decided upon heroic action in order to make the convention master of its affairs. He ordered the roll call of states to begin for the vote on president.

Such a call, under such circumstances, has probably never before occurred in

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