SPEAKER CLARK OBJECT OF BRYAN'S ANGER

WILL ANSWER ATTACK MADE BY COMMONER

Presence Counted On to Stem Tide Now Setting for Wilson

Deadlock at Convention Is Unprecedented in History of Democracy

(By the Associated Press)

BALTIMORE, June 29.—With Governor Woodrow Wilson gaining on each ballot and Speaker Champ Clark constantly losing ground in the race for the presidential nomination, the democratic national convention at 11:05 o'clock tonight adjourned until Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

Twenty-six ballots had been taken since the first call of the states and there was no hope of a final verdict tonight. It is against all political precedent for a national convention to sit on Sunday, but tomorrow will be a day of important conferences among the party leaders and a day of hard work for the campaign managers.

When the convention adjourned tonight, Speaker Clark was hurrying to Baltimore from Washington in response to an urgent call from his campaign director. William Jennings Bryan, at the afternoon session, had attacked Clark and had said he would vote for no man willing to accept nomination at the hands of "Murphy of Tammany hall." It was the plan of Clark to appear before the convention and make answer. In this way his managers hoped to bolster the falling vote.

JERSEYMAN IN ASCENDENCY

The ballots today ran from the thirteenth to the twenty-sixth. Wilson began at 356 and ended at 407, a net gain during the day of 51 votes. Speaker Clark began at 554½ and fell to 463½, a loss of 91 votes.

The anti-Clark leaders in the convention called attention to the fact that they almost exactly offset the 90 votes given to Clark by the New York delegation. Breaks to Governor Wilson were coming from many different delegations as the balloting closed. His managers believed that once he had overtaken Speaker Clark the switching of delegates would become general.

The Clark forces plan to make a desperate effort tomorrow to win back some of the delegates lost today, and in this work they probably will have the personal direction of the speaker himself. The Wilson forces, meantime, expect to fight not only to hold their gains of today, but to induce more to desert the other candidates.

Senator Stone of Missouri made a motion to eliminate the candidate receiving the least number of votes on each sucessive ballot after the twenty-ninth, until only one—the winner—was left in the race. There was a storm of objection and the subject was pressed no further.

The Harmon delegates from Ohio threw their support to Speaker Clark on several ballots, but they did not materially help him toward the necessary two-thirds vote, because of the gradual inroads made by Wilson. They then changed back to Harmon and remained there until the last ballot of the evening.

The great bulk of the Massachusetts delegation deserted Clark and started a Foss boom. It created little excitement.

DEADLOCK UNPRECEDENTED

The deadlock confronting the democratic convention is the most remarkable in the history of modern politics. There was no one in the convention able to recall another instance in which it had required anything like the number of ballots to nominate that so far have been taken without result.

Having failed to nominate with the week end, it is not expected the delegates will hurry to a decision on Monday, and the fight may be prolonged for several days. The Clark people are still confident that enough of their delegates will remain steadfast to constitute the necessary third to prevent a renomination. Many of the delegates were hopeful that an early decision might be reached, but the two leading candidates were tonight so far short of the 725 1-3 votes necessary to nominate that the problem had seemed a most difficult one.

Champ Clark steadily lost ground during the afternoon, dropping from 554 on the thirteenth ballot to 508 on the twenty-first, despite the fact that New York's support up to that time had continued firm.

Woodrow Wilson made important gains during the late afternoon's balloting, going from 353½ on the thirteenth to 395½ on the twenty-first. The Wilson forces were enthusiastic tonight and were claiming they ultimately would win. The Clark people plainly were worried by the defections in their ranks. Kansas was the first important state to desert Clark as a whole for Wilson. The sentiment in that delegation had favored Wilson from the beginning, but the Wilson contingent was not able to get a two-thirds vote until today. Then, under state convention instructions, the entire 20 Kansas votes went into the Wilson column.

After the twenty-first ballot the Clark people, in something of a panic, sought to have a recess ordered. The Wilson people, encouraged by their steady gains, fought the motion and defeated it on a rollcall. The confusion in the hall during the voting was such that the clerks became badly mixed up on their figures and it variously was claimed that a recess had been ordered and defeated until Chairman James ordered a recasting of the vote.

BRYAN STORM CENTER AGAIN

The afternoon session was marked by another dramatic outburst by Bryan. Claiming the privilege of explaining why he and more than a dozen other delegates from Nebraska were going to switch their votes from Clark to Wilson, the former candidate held the floor for nearly an hour and was the center of a storm which swept the hall in changing waves of protest and approbation. He declared that so long as Champ Clark continued to accept the support of "Charles F. Murphy and Tammany Hall" he would not vote for him. In changing to Wilson, Bryan said, he reserved the right to switch again if New York or any other state delegation "controlled by the interests" should go to the standard of the New Jersey governor.

From the floor a score of delegates hurled questions at the Nebraskan and groaned or applauded as he endeavored to make himself heard in answer. Southern delegates demanded to know if Bryan would support the ultimate nominee of the convention in the event the nominating vote included the 90 from the state of New York. Bryan said he was content to make his protest in advance of any decision by the convention. He "expected" to support the nominee. A lawyer, he shouted, was permitted "to defend a criminal" after the crime was committed, but would not be permitted to defend "the criminal if he had abetted the crime."

Some of the delegates believed Bryan was making a final bid for the nomination. If it was intended as such, it appeared to fail, for there seemed to be a crystallization of the forces against him and their strength seemed to indicate that a Bryan stampede, so often predicted, was out of the question.

COMMONER "QUEERS" HIMSELF

Bryan was pale and haggard as he stood on the platform facing the tumult he had created on the floor below him. He swayed back and forth and from time to time mopped the dripping perspiration from his furrowed brow. With one hand he held the iron railing in front of him and with the other nervously wielded a big palm leaf fan.

When he spoke he had a defiant glare in his eye. His voice was husky. Occasionally he would let go his hold of the railing to shake a warning finger at the delegates. Bryan held the stage for nearly an hour. It was thought to be his last stand before the convention, but he declared that if the right man was nominated he would introduce a resolution authorizing the candidate to appoint his campaign committee and not be handicapped by a national committee on which "the interests" were represented.

Bryan's sensational move interrupted the fourteenth ballot. It created a great deal of feeling, and seemed in the opinion of most of the leaders finally to dispose of the Nebraskan as a possible candidate. The antagonism to him was intense.

THAT THIRTEENTH BALLOT

Immediately after assembling this afternoon the thirteenth ballot was taken. It seemed to be generally accepted that a choice, under the two-thirds rule, was a long way off.

It was reported that Chairman James during the day might, from the platform, advocate the abrogation of this rule. Senator Lea, floor leader of the progressives, asserted that a nomination would mean nothing unless made by two-thirds of the delegates and that it would require a two-thirds vote to suspend the rules to permit a majority nomination.

Chairman James, when asked about the report, said he had talked along the lines indicated and that he felt sure a nomination would be given to Clark in view of the majority vote received by him. He said that if Wilson or any other candidate should at any time reach a majority and fail of the nomination, then it might be necessary to change the rules and that the convention had the power to do so.

Chairman James called the convention to order at 1:06 p. m. The chaplain, Rev. Dr. John Roach Stratton, of Baltimore, then said the prayer. The hall was in confusion, with delegates crowding into the aisles. Order was finally secured at 1:15 and for the thirteenth time the clerk began the calling of the roll.

HOODOOS WORK INFLUENCE

Gossip about the floor was that the popular prejudice against the thirteenth rollcall would prevent any material changes in the vote on that ballot. It was also said that the "unlucky Friday" superstition last night prevented shifts that might have made a nomination possible. The rollcall began with the same monotonous repetition that marked last night's voting and ended without nomination.

The rumored shift in the vote of the Nebraska delegation did not materialize on this ballot, the record remaining: Clark 13, Wilson 3. There had been some question about New York on the thirteenth, but Charles F. Murphy made his usual announcement of 90 for Clark again. Wilson took one from Underwood in North Carolina and took two from Clark in Ohio. In Tennessee Clark gained 6 votes and Wilson gained 7½. The 7½ were lost by Underwood.

In Alaska Clark gained one from Wilson. Hawaii gave Clark a gain of one from Wilson. Porto Rico voted six solid for Wilson, a loss of two for Clark. In Virginia Clark gained 2½ from Underwood.

The result of the thirteenth ballot was: Clark 554½, Wilson 356, Underwood 115½, Harmon 29, Marshall 30, Foss 2, Bryan 1. This showed a gain of 5 for Clark. Wilson gained 2½, and Underwood lost 7½. Foss was put on the roll with two votes. Kern received no votes, and Bryan was given one.

Before the result of the thirteenth ballot was announced Bryan appeared on the platform. He talked to Chairman James for a moment and then resumed his seat in the Nebraska section. A cheer swept the hall from the time he left his seat until he returned to it.

FOURTEENTH BALLOT

At 1:40 the rollcall was begun for the fourteenth ballot. During the fourteenth ballot Chairman James surrendered the gavel to William Sulzer of New York and went to the floor. He conferred with Senator Stone of the Clark forces and then hurried about, visiting the various delegations.

When Nebraska was reached Bryan demanded a poll of the delegation. His was the first name called. "I ask for an opportunity to explain my vote," said Bryan, amid a tumult of disorder.

"Vote! vote! vote!" shouted the delegates.

Bryan, standing on his chair with one hand resting upon the Nebraska standard, gazed over the crowd. He swung a big palm leaf fan as the tumult continued.

"For what purpose does the gentleman rise?" demanded Sulzer from the chair.

"As long——," began Bryan, and a wave of noise overwhelmed him. Senator Stone of Missouri made an effort to secure unanimous consent that Bryan be allowed to make a statement. A roar of dissent greeted the request when Sulzer stated it, but he announced: "The chair hears no objection."

Bryan made his way to the platform through the sweating mob in the aisles. A round of cheers greeted him and he took the platform. Through the uproar he shouted:

"As long as New York's vote is recorded for Mr. Clark, I withhold my vote for him and cast it——."

He got no further. Again the racket swept the hall.

BRYAN READS STATEMENT

"I have asked the privilege of making an explanation because I am not alone in this convention. When I speak I speak for many in this hall and for a great many more outside this hall," Bryan continued. "I am explaining my vote only because my advice was not followed in my own delegation. I advised that those so instructed vote for Mr. Clark until conditions arose that justified us from doing otherwise. Not all of the delegation agreed with me. If a poll is demanded, I am now ready to cast my vote and give my reason.

"I recognize the responsibility that rests upon me and do what I intend to do in giving this explanation. I expected this necessity to arise. I have written out what I propose to say that there may be no mistake." Here Bryan read a prepared statement explaining his vote.

"Having explained our position," said Bryan, "I now announce my vote for—" Another roar from the floor interrupted him and former Governor McCorkle of West Virginia secured the floor to ask Bryan a question.

"Does the gentleman mean that he will not support the nominee of this convention if he is nominated by the present votes of the New York delegation?"

"This is," replied Bryan, "a democratic convention, and we have a right to ask questions. Hypocrisy has been certified to by 6,500,000 democrats, and I ask the secretary to enter a dissenting vote, if he will give me his name, and I will put it beside the name of Belmont and others who were not democrats when I was a democrat."

Bryan then returned to the question of former Governor McCorkle.

"Nothing that I have said here this morning would give any grounds for

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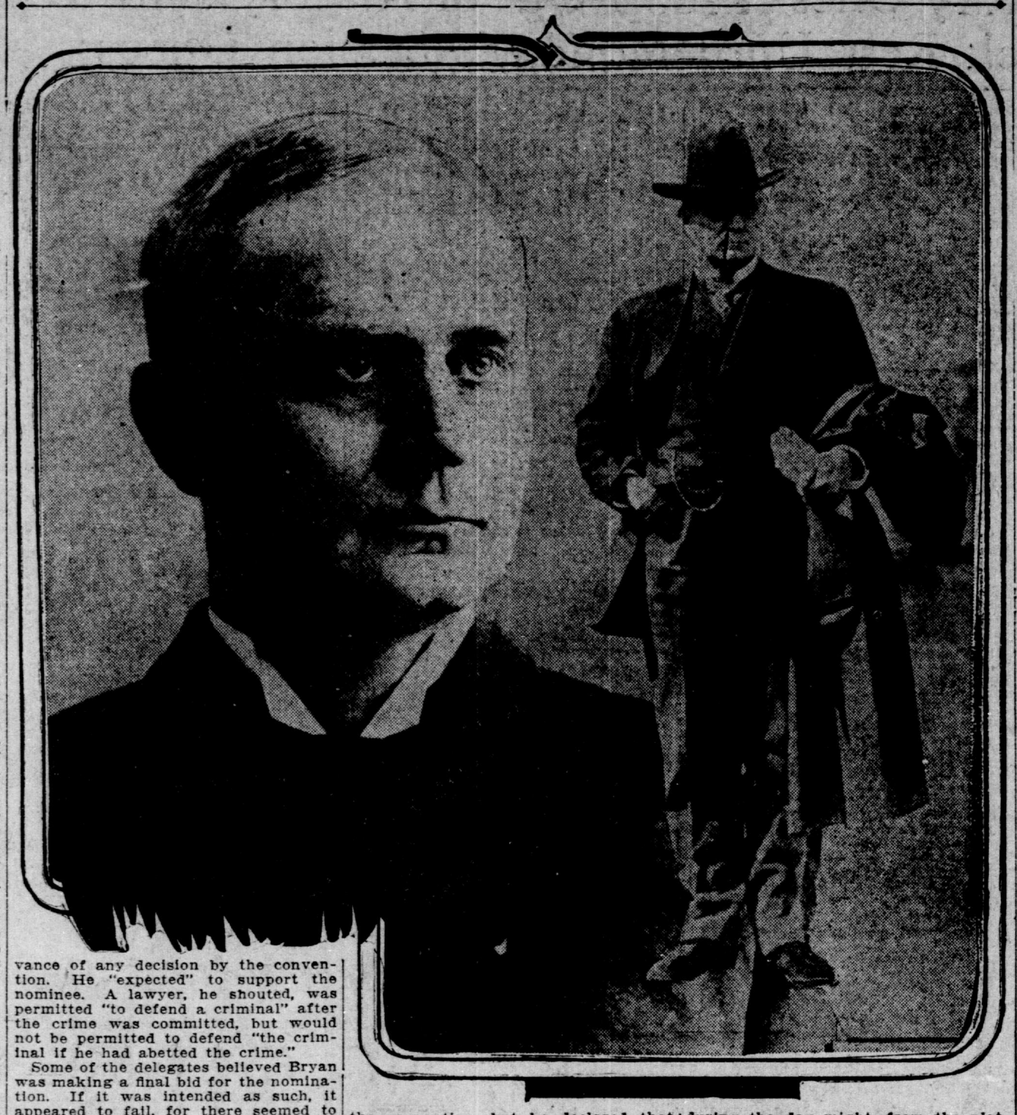
SPEAKER CHAMP CLARK OF MISSOURI.
Characteristic pose and portrait of the congressman, whose polling strength in Baltimore convention waned yesterday.



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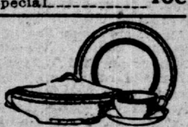

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