

CONVENTION'S WORK IS BEING FINISHED NOW

With Nominations Made All There Is to Do Is to Adopt Platform

DELEGATES BARELY MISS FRIDAY JINX

Wilson and Marshall Are Named by Acclamation Late at Night

St. Louis, June 16.—The democratic national convention having by acclamation renominated President Woodrow Wilson and Vice President Thomas R. Marshall, met in final session today to adopt its declaration of principles. The committee on resolutions was not ready to report when the convention at midnight had completed the ticket, so after listening to a number of speeches a recess was taken until 11 a. m.

At 11 o'clock, the hour for the final session of the democratic national convention to begin, there were not more than 200 delegates in the Coliseum and the seats were filling slowly. The first gallery rows were filled but there were no crowds around the doors.

At 11:26 a. m. Chairman James called the convention to order.

Prayer was offered by Rabbi Leon Harrison of St. Louis, who gave thanks for "the great leader of this nation, wielding so strong an arm of flesh and yet triumphant in his invincible plea for justice and humanity." He gave thanks for "the wise and noble president of the United States who has warded off disaster, who with firm and fearless hand has steered us between the menace of both war and dishonor, assuring the people peace without shame, a proud peace with head erect and dignity undiminished."

There was a report that Gov. Ferguson of Texas would present a minority plank on Mexico. Leaders hoped to head off a dissenting report.

Gov. Ferguson later, however, let it be known he would present no dissenting plank.

Have Lots of Time.

Chairman James called for the report of the platform committee but it was not ready and the convention settled down to wait.

At 11:43 Chairman James announced that the platform report would be made in a few minutes.

In response to a request from delegates to fix the time and place for notification of President Wilson and Vice President Marshall of their renomination, Chairman James explained that it was the plan to confer first with the candidates.

Senator Reed of Missouri then made a speech to fill in the time.

The burden of Reed's speech was an attack on the nomination of Mr. Hughes because he was taken from the supreme court bench.

Reads Statement.

Reed read a statement which he attributed to Mr. Hughes in 1912, which declared against a supreme court justice entering politics.

"Against Candidate Hughes in 1916 I quote Mr. Justice Hughes in 1912," he declared as he read the statement.

While Senator Reed was speaking, Senator Stone, chairman of the platform committee, entered the hall and although the platform had not yet been presented to the convention he authorized its immediate publication because it had been published without authority and in violation of pledges of confidence in some parts of the country.

"America" was played by the band when Senator Reed concluded and while Chairman Stone of the resolutions committee mounted the platform to present the platform, Senator Stone looked haggard and worn from his long vigil.

In introducing Senator Stone, Chairman James asked for order "to hear the democratic declaration of faith." Senator Stone was given prolonged applause.

Describing the committee's labors as "somewhat protracted and arduous," Senator Stone made a brief introductory address.

"I am not going to read," said he, referring to the platform. "I have not been able to sleep a moment in more than thirty hours."

Begin Reading Platform.

Chairman Stone delegated the reading to Senator Walsh of Montana and Senator Hollis of Montana. Senator Walsh took the speaker's stand first and began reading at 12:36 p. m.

The first applause given the platform was for the endorsement of the administration. The delegates gave close attention.

Before Senator Walsh had finished the preamble spectators in the galleries began to leave and the noise made it difficult for delegates to hear.

COMMITTEE'S REPORT INVOLVES MANY PRINCIPLES

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION HAS PARTY'S PLATFORM COVERED FROM DIFFERENT ANGLES.

St. Louis, June 16.—The resolutions committee of the democratic convention, after almost twenty-four hours of deliberation, finished its draft of a platform shortly after 6 o'clock today and authorized Senator Stone, its chairman, to present the document to the convention.

The committee began its final session at 11 o'clock last night and kept at work continuously until the draft was completed. Few changes were made in the tentative platform as drawn by the subcommittee of nine but the night was spent in discussion of the phraseology of some of the more important planks, especially those on Americanism, woman suffrage and Mexico.

Party leaders expressed belief that approval of the platform would be given by the convention without much discussion.

Americanism.

"The part that the United States will play in the new day of international relationships which is now upon us will depend upon our preparation and our character. The democratic party therefore, recognizes the assertion and triumphant demonstration of the indivisibility and coherent strength of nation therefore as supreme issue of this day in which the whole world faces the crisis of manifold change. It summons all men, of whatever origin or creed, who would count themselves Americans to join in making clear to all the world the unity and consequent power of America.

"This is an issue of patriotism. To taint with partisanship would be to defile it. In this day of test, America must show itself, not a nation of partisans, but a nation of patriots. There is gathered here in America the best of the blood, the industry and the genius of the whole world, the elements of a great race and a magnificent society to be melted into a mighty and splendid nation.

"Whoever, actuated by the purpose to promote the interest of a foreign power, in disregard of our own country's welfare or to injure this government in its foreign relations or to destroy its industries at home and whoever by arousing prejudices of a racial, religious or other nature creates discord and strife among our people so as to obstruct the wholesome process of unification, is faithless to the trust which the privileges of citizenship repose in him and disloyal to his country.

Credit Jap Guns.

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Earthquake in Italy.

Rome, June 16.—A heavy earth shock was reported at 3:25 o'clock this morning at Forli, a town of central Italy having a population of 50,000 and at Rimini, a town with the same number of persons twenty-eight miles farther east. There were no casualties.

EVACUATION OF CITY IS CLAIMED

Word From Bukowina Says Austrians Have Left Czernowitz Now

BELIEVE TROOPS ARRESTED PERSONS

Before Abandoning Place a General Disposition of Material Is Made

Petrograd, June 16.—Details of the reported evacuation of Czernowitz by the Austrians are given in a dispatch from Bukowina by way of Bucharest received by the semi-officials Petrograd news agency.

The dispatch says that before abandoning the city the Austrian authorities arrested a number of persons who were forced to accompany the retreating troops. The railway rolling stock was sent to Ilskani and the tracks about the city were destroyed. Trainloads of wounded were dispatched to Dornavatra, seventy-seven miles southwest Czernowitz.

WAR SUMMARY.

The evacuation of Czernowitz, capital of Bukowina, by the Austrians is semi-officially announced from Petrograd. All along the front from Volynia to Bukowina fresh gains are claimed by the Russians. Thousands of additional prisoners and war materials have been captured by the Russians, the total number of prisoners taken during the twelve days of the great offensive movement exceeding 150,000.

Northwest of Verdun, near Le Mort Homme, the French have captured a German trench. The Germans are still violently bombarding the sectors of Thiaumont and Ft. Souville, northeast of Verdun, probably preparatory to another infantry attack with the hope of a further advance on the fortress.

The Canadians are still holding the trenches recaptured from the Germans near Zillebeke, where there is shelling by both sides.

The fighting on the Italian-Austro front has dwindled to bombardments and small infantry engagements.

The Turks report the annihilation of 400 British troops in the Euphrates sector. Persian volunteers are declared to be attacking the Russians near the Persian border, inflicting heavy losses.

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GERMAN ATTACKS ARE BROKEN DOWN ON VERDUN FRONT

FRENCH MACHINE AND INFANTRY FIRE HAS EFFECT UPON KAISER'S TROOPS.

Paris, June 16.—Powerful German attacks made last night on the French position southeast of Thiaumont farm on the Verdun front broke down under the French machine gun and infantry fire, according to today's statement by the war office.

The statement says the Germans began their assault at 6 o'clock in the evening on the right bank of the Meuse from hill 321 to the edge of hill 320. At the same time another attack was launched at the southern edge of the Callette wood. All attacks were repulsed.

The trench captured by the French yesterday on the southern slope of Dead Man hill was also the object of several German counter attacks during the night, all of which failed. It is announced that the total number of prisoners taken by the French at the time of the capture of the trench is five officers and 180 soldiers.

FRENCH ARE UNSUCCESSFUL.

Berlin, June 16.—Two attacks delivered by the French yesterday and last night on the German line along the southern slope of Dead Man hill (Verdun front) were unsuccessful, the war office announced today. In the first attack the French temporarily gained some ground, but a counter attack drove them back.

CASE SWINGING ON POISON PIVOT

TESTIMONY OF EXPERT IS INTRODUCED IN ORPET TRIAL IN REGARD TO DRUG.

Waukegan, Ill., June 16.—The examination of Dr. Ralph W. Webster, a toxicologist of international reputation, was resumed today in the trial of Will Orpet, who is charged with the murder of his former sweetheart, Marion Lambert, in February last.

Dr. Webster was the principal witness at the trial yesterday and was closely examined by attorney for both sides in regard to the poison which caused the death of the girl. It is considered an important point in the case whether the poison was administered in a liquid or powder form and it was around this point that the questioning yesterday centered. The prosecution contends that the poison was in a liquid form, that Orpet brought it to the scene of the tragedy, while the defense holds to the theory that it was in a powdered form and that the girl brought it to the meeting place herself.

In the opinion of Dr. Webster, the poison was in a liquid form when administered.

A factor in the defense was brought out when cross examination of Dr. Webster was resumed. Attorney Ralph Foster for the defense adduced the finding of three months elapsed from the finding of Marion's body, February 10 to May 5, when Marion's coat and other garments were brought to Dr. Webster for analysis on them analyzed. The coat, introduced in evidence yesterday, showed three circular white spots, the marks, witness said, of cyanide of potassium.

"Who brought the garments to you?" asked Mr. Potter.

"Fred Wenban, the undertaker, and Fred Kings."

"Had you talked previously with Attorney Joslyn of the prosecution, with reference to any spots?"

"I can't say whether Mr. Joslyn was present. State's Attorney Dady mentioned them a day or so before the garments were brought to me."

"And that was the first you heard of the spots?"

"Yes, I believe it was, although I have a hazy recollection that Wenban may have mentioned them a few days previously."

PASSENGERS OF BOAT ARE FOUND

Eureka, Cal., June 16.—All of the 210 passengers and crew of the steamship Bear, wrecked on Sugar Loaf reef near here Wednesday night, have been accounted for, according to a statement today by Purser Heywood. He said the five persons drowned and whose bodies have been recovered, were the only ones that perished.

A woman passenger's dog was said to have been responsible for the capsizing of two of the life boats. According to one of the survivors, the dog fell overboard. The woman who owned it grabbed for the animal and in doing so knocked one of the oars out of the oarlock. This caused the boat to veer into the other lifeboat and both turned over.

COOK ELECTED HEAD OF MOOSE

Ottumwan Given Unanimous Vote for the Office of President by L. O. O. M.

OTHER OFFICERS CHOSEN BY LODGE

Delegation to Convention from Ottumwa Expected to Return Saturday

Alfred G. Cook of Ottumwa, was unanimously elected president of the Iowa association of the Loyal Order of Moose at the state convention at Davenport. A picture of Mr. Cook appears in the Thursday issue of the Davenport Times.

Mr. Cook has been actively connected with the organization for a number of years, having served as a state officer and was holding the office of prelate when elected president.

Among the Ottumwans who are attending the convention are: A. G. Cook, C. Thompson, Charles Sloan, S. E. Yeoman, J. R. Schafer, E. L. Higgins, Dr. W. B. Stoker and B. Wright. The Ottumwa delegation is expected to arrive home Saturday.

Election is Unanimous.

Davenport, June 16.—Alf G. Cook of Ottumwa, was unanimously elected president of the Iowa association of the Loyal Order of Moose at the Iowa state convention today. Dr. B. M. Raben of Davenport, was elected first vice president, and J. F. van Vors of Dubuque, second vice president. B. H. Schouboe of Des Moines, defeated A. L. Madden of Muscatine for secretary-treasurer. J. P. Breen of Muscatine, and T. C. Olson of Vinton, were elected to the board of trustees. Dubuque secured the next convention.

OTTUMWANS TO ATTEND MEETS

A number of Ottumwa bankers will be present at the annual meeting of the Iowa Bankers' association to be held in Waterloo next Tuesday and Wednesday, June 20 and 21. Among the features of the big gathering will be the luncheon made for the entertainment of the ladies who attend. Both days have programs for the women folk in charge of their own sex and include addresses, garden party, theater, dances and auto rides. This state meeting of the Iowa Farm Mortgage association in Waterloo Monday and Tuesday will make possible many attending both conventions. The smoker Tuesday night is to be a joint affair between the two associations given by the Waterloo bankers.

Among the Ottumwans expected to attend the meetings are B. F. Brown of the Ottumwa Savings, L. A. Andrew of the Citizens Savings, C. D. Evans of the South Ottumwa Savings, and R. W. Funk of the Ottumwa National bank to the bankers' meeting and H. S. Merrick and J. F. Webber to the Farm Mortgage association meeting.

Mr. Merrick who represents the Phoenix Trust Co., at the state meeting of the mortgage men, is the president of the Iowa association and will preside over the sessions of the convention which are to be held in the Russell-Lambson, the handsome new hotel of Waterloo. J. F. Webber is to be one of the speakers at the joint smoker to be held Tuesday night.

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Rock Island, Ill., June 16.—Viola Oppendyke, aged 9, was fatally burned when her clothing caught fire from an oil stove on which she was preparing a meal for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Oppendyke, in their home at Rapid City, near here. The girl's body was terribly burned. She was alone in the home when the accident occurred.

WILL ASK MEN IF THEY WANT STRIKE

New York, June 16.—Ballots for the vote to be taken by the four brotherhoods of railroad employes for the purpose of authorizing their unions to call a strike probably will be sent out from the offices of the union officials here tomorrow night. The question as formulated today reads:

"Are you prepared to withdraw from the service of your railroad in the absence of a settlement agreeable to the committee and your representatives?"

If the men favor a strike, the union representatives would seek another conference with the railway managers before resorting to a strike.

DOCTORS CLOSE MEETING.

Detroit, Mich., June 16.—Members of the American Medical Association closed their annual convention here today by participating in a public health parade and later discussing methods of sanitation at an open meeting at a downtown theater.

STATE SOCIALISTS MEET.

Chicago, June 16.—With delegates and a large number of visitors from throughout Illinois present, the state convention of the socialist party of Illinois convened at Hull house here today for a two days' meeting.

U.S. CONSULATE AT DURANGO WAS NOT BURNED RECENTLY

STATE DEPARTMENT RECEIVES NO FURTHER WORD OF ANTI-AMERICAN MOVEMENTS.

Washington, D. C., June 16.—A consular dispatch direct from Durango, Mexico, received today, said there was no truth in the report circulated and generally credited a few days ago that the American consulate there had been burned during an anti-American demonstration. The consul said there had been no attack on the consulate.

The state department has received no recent reports of demonstrations in northern Mexico and apparently the excitement has subsided at least temporarily.

There was no confirmation here today of the report from El Paso that Gen. Gavira had been executed in Mexico City charged with treason for having entered into an unauthorized conference with Gen. Pershing. It was officially reported some days ago that the Mexican officer had been ordered to the capital. Dispatches from Special Agent Rodgers yesterday made no mention of him.

WANTS MANSFIELD RETURNED AT ONCE

Des Moines, June 16.—O. T. Gillette, county attorney for Montgomery, came to Des Moines today from Kansas City, Mo., and petitioned Gov. Clarke to issue requisition papers for the return to Iowa of William Mansfield, held at Kansas City, suspected of complicity in the murder of the Moore family at Villisca in 1912.

It was expected that Gov. Clarke would issue the requisition papers today, following which they will be presented to the governor of Missouri. Gillette said it probably would be a week before Mansfield is given into his custody.

ROOSEVELT DOES NOT IMPROVE ANY

New York, June 16.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt suffered another severe coughing spell this morning was barely able to speak above a whisper. His condition had so little improved that his physician, Dr. Hubert V. Guile, was called to the hotel where he is staying. Dr. Guile took him to his office for an examination.

The colonel's appearance as he left the hotel was haggard and he shook his head negatively when asked if he felt any better.

The colonel's illness came upon him two days ago when one of his coughing spells caused the snapping of ligaments of his ribs. He had planned to return today to Oyster Bay but will probably now remain longer under his physician's care.

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NEW QUARTERS BEING RUSHED TO COMPLETION

Commercial Club Rooms Are Undergoing Considerable Change in Appearance

BIG ADDITION IS MADE TO BUILDING

Working Forces Now Busy on Two Floors; Opening to Be Delayed for Time

Work on the alteration of the building used by the Commercial club for its quarters, will not be completed by July 1 as expected. The task of building an eighty foot addition to the building and finishing the job by the time it was first expected to be completed, is bigger than it seemed at the outset. The decision of the owners of the building to make the big addition two stories instead of one as originally planned, has caused the chief delay.

The building when completed promises to be a fifty one and the new club quarters are to be up the minute in all details. Nothing is being left undone to make the rooms of the club as attractive as possible and a place where the membership can meet as a body or as individuals and spend the time pleasantly.

Change Old Methods.

With the big addition to the old quarters, the latter will be given an entire overhauling and complete change of arrangement. Features that were never attempted in the old organization are possible in the former quarters for lack of room. The incentives used in the big membership reorganization campaign during the late winter that was so successful. The converting of the old association into a club and the changing of its methods of handling affairs peculiar to commercial organizations, make almost a new association of it. The old method of having a number of standing committees devoted to the various activities of the body has given way to special committees assigned when the projects are presented and bureaus take care of matters formerly handled by standing committees.

The furnishings for the new club quarters when they are completed are very lavish and will be an added attraction. The committee which has had the work in hand has been authorized by the board to make purchases as it saw fit and the result promises to be an agreeable surprise to the membership when the new club quarters are opened.

WORKMEN ARE BUSY.

The carpenters, lathers, plasterers and plumbers are all busy on the new addition and converting the old quarters into new to meet the altered plans which make a complete change in the arrangements of the building.

The plasterers are today at work on the second floor of the addition while the lathers are busy on the first floor. A double ply of felt is being placed on the ceiling to deaden the sound from the upper room. The carpenters have more partitions to put in on the lower floor and will be able to start the interior wood finish after the plastering on the second story is completed. The brick masons have left the job some time since and the electric wiring has been done as far as it is possible to do it until the lathing and plastering is finished.

The members are looking forward now to the time when the work will be completed as the present rooms are somewhat mused up because of the work that is being done and will be even more so in a short time, for the front portion will have to be remodelled after the rear addition is completed. The directors have had to abandon the dining room for their weekly luncheons because of the new work going on there.

\$100,000 LIBEL SUIT GOES BEFORE JURORS

Chicago, June 16.—The jury in the \$100,000 libel suit brought by the Chattanooga Medicine Co., against the American Medical association today began its deliberations after listening to testimony and arguments for fifty-seven days. The action was brought by the medicine company for damages against the medical association for alleged libel and grew out of articles published in the association's journal which characterized Wine of Cardui, a preparation manufactured and sold by the Chattanooga company, as a nostrum.

WEST POINT MAN DIES.

West Point, N. Y., June 16.—Lieut. Col. Morton F. Smith, commandant of cadets at the U. S. military academy, died at his quarters here today after a brief illness. He was appointed cadet at the military academy June 17, 1891, graduating with the class of '94.