

THE HOPE OF PEACE PREVAILS TODAY

EQUAL SUFFRAGE PLANK REJECTED BY PLATFORM BODY; FIGHT EXPECTED

CARRY FIGHT BEFORE FULL COMMITTEE

May be Answer to Threat of Women to Switch Votes From Republicans

MEXICAN POLICY IS CRITICIZED

Administration is Severely Scored—Military Preparedness Urged.

Chicago, June 8.—The proposed plank of the republican platform declaring for woman suffrage was rejected today by the sub-committee on resolutions...

The sub-committee adopted the plank in respect to the relations with Mexico, offered by Senator Fall of New Mexico...

Those opposing it were Senators Woodworth, Lodge, Charles Hopkins and Clark of Hartford Conn. former Representative Howland of Ohio and Senator Oliver of Pennsylvania.

MAY BE ANSWER. If the republican convention should occur in the attitude of the sub-committee, the rejection, in the opinion of delegates, would form a direct rebuff to the new woman's party...

The same threat, however, applies to the democratic side. It was pointed out. The progressives all along have stood for equal suffrage.

The leaders of the Congressional Union, in addition to the woman's party convention, referred to the weapon of the 12 suffrage states, where it was claimed 3,000,000 women are eligible to vote.

Administration Scored. Concerning Mexico, the resolution refers to the "deplorable condition there as the result of Washington's policy and the 'shame' which the administration has inflicted on the country."

The preparedness plank will declare for military and industrial preparedness. The provisions relative to strengthening the army and navy to meet any possible foe, entirely satisfactory to the military and naval organizations, are incorporated...

The restriction of immigration through the literacy test. In order to meet the industrial preparedness plank, some of the social justice planks of four years ago in the Moore platform are incorporated.

Progressive Platform. Ringing declaration of Americanism for preparedness—military, spiritual, economical and industrial—are the keystone of the progressive platform completed today in cooperation with the republican platform builders.

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Convention Sidelights

Short Recess. Chicago, June 8.—At 1:31 the republican convention adjourned till 4 o'clock to await the resolution committee, which still is working on the platform.

Robins Chosen. The permanent organization committee chose Robins permanent chairman of the Progressive committee.

Incorporate Plank. The republican resolutions committee, 26 to 21, voted to incorporate a plank in the platform endorsing, in principle, Woman Suffrage.

Hughes Report Denied. Rumor that Hughes had sent word to campaign managers that he would not accept the nomination unless it comes from a united party, was denied at Hughes headquarters.

Cheers greeted the adoption of the report of the credentials committee, and also the adoption of the report of the temporary organization permanent.

Joe Cannon, Chauncey M. Depew, and Senator Borah, addressed the convention. Depew spoke for national preparedness.

CROP FORECAST ISSUED TODAY

Spring Wheat Yield Placed at 236,000,000 Bushels.

Washington, June 8.—A production forecast of important crops based on the condition June 1, issued today by the department of agriculture shows: Winter wheat, 459,000,000 bushels; spring wheat, 246,000,000 bushels; and corn, 1,750,000,000 bushels.

Barley, 189,000,000; rye, 44,000,000.

HOBOKEN SCENE OF AIR RAID

Allied Squadron Successfully Bombard German Wharves.

London, June 8.—The allied air squadrons successfully bombarded wharves at Hoboken, near Antwerp, according to a dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph company from Maastricht. The Germans are building destroyers at Hoboken.

The Germans fired on the squadron, which returned safely to its base.

GERMAN PRESS LIKED EARL KITCHENER

Berlin, June 8.—The newspapers devote much space to Earl Kitchener, whom they generally acknowledged to have been an organizer of the greatest test ability. But there seems to be no disposition to exaggerate the importance of his death or to base particular hopes thereon.

The newspapers are unanimous in their praise for Kitchener, saying: "It is never visited Germany to admire our philosophy and maneuvers. He never dripped with honeyed phrases about rapprochement, and never pretended to love us. We thank him to death for that. He was a brutal man, but he was a man."

GRAND FORKS TAKES LEAD AS MECCA FOR STATE CONVENTIONS; GRATIFYING REPORT IS GIVEN

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GOVERNOR TRAMMELL LEADS IN RACE FOR FLORIDA SENATE SEAT

Tampa, Florida, June 8.—Returns today gave Governor Park Trammell a lead of 8,000 over United States Senator Nathan Bryan for the democratic nomination for United States senatorship in Tuesday's primary.

U. S. TROOPS TO BE READY FOR PEKING MOVE

Report Says Orders Have Been Given—Apprehension of Outbreaks.

London, June 8.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Tien Tsin, China, says that the United States troops there, have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to Peking. French authorities dispatched a strong force of native troops from the French protectorate at Annam to Peking.

Delegation of officers of the bodyguard of the new president, Lu Yuan Hung, assured him of the reality of the guard.

Movement of troops indicate the apprehension of the disturbance following the death of Yuan Shi Kai.

YUAN SHI KAI DID NOT WANT MONARCHY

Peking, China, June 8.—The last words of President Yuan Shi Kai were an expression of regret for the monarchical movement and brought disaster to China, he said, and had hastened his end. Calling Hsu Shi Chang, former premier, to his bedside, Yuan Shi Kai whispered: "I did not aspire to be emperor. Those around me said the people desired a sovereign and had named me. I had no choice. I believed and was misled."

Yuan Shi Kai then begged Hsu Shi Chang to protect his wife and children.

LAST OF GERMANS LEAVE PORTUGAL

Lisbon, May 23, (Correspondence of The Associated Press)—The last of the Germans expelled under the decree of the government have reached the island of Terceira, one of the Azores group. This island has been placed under the military control of the government.

The Azores and he has adopted the measures necessary to maintain order there.

The ministry of foreign affairs and the police officers have for some days been devoting their entire attention to Germans in distress. Germans anxious to deny their Teutonic nationality, Portuguese women married to Germans and hence affected by the governmental decree, and aged German women who have for years been employed as servants in Portuguese families.

With the Germans, a great many Austrians and Turks have been expelled. Large and important firms have been forced to discontinue business and a number of factories have closed.

Discovery has been made of faulty machinery on some of the German steamships which the government requisitioned. Machine experts and operatives have reached the island from England to effect repairs, and a British naval mission and other British government representatives have arrived.

KITCHENER'S DEATH THE GREATEST BLOW

The Hague, Via London, June 8.—All the Dutch papers dwell on the death of Earl Kitchener. The Nieuwe Courant sees in Kitchener's death the most formidable blow England has received in the war. "One of the pillars of the empire has been shattered," it says.

The Nieuwrotterdamsche Courant, on the other hand, thinks that Kitchener's death has no immediate significance.

TAFF IS SPEAKER

Hightstown, N. J., June 8.—William H. Taft, former president of the United States, was the principal orator here yesterday at dual ceremonies at Paddle Institute, marking the semi-centennial and commencement exercises of the school. A reception will be held which a number of men prominent in public and professional life will attend.

HUGHES STRENGTH GREATER; MANY NOW BELIEVE HE WILL BE NOMINATED; SOME PROGRESSIVES AGAINST ANY AGREEMENT WITH REPUBLICANS

GERMANS ADMIT LOSS OF MORE SHIPS; FORT VAUX IS CAPTURED

THE LUTZOW AND ROSTOCK WERE BOTH DESTROYED

"For Military Reasons," Official Announcement was Withheld.

FRENCH FORCED TO QUIT VAUX

Heavy Fighting Continues in That Locality, However.

London, June 8.—The loss of the 26,000 ton battle cruiser Lutzow, one of the big German warships, which the British claimed to have sunk in the Jutland sea fight last week, is now admitted by the German admiralty, as is the loss of the cruiser Rostock, a cruiser of 4,900 tons.

The admitted German losses now comprise besides the Lutzow and Rostock, the battleship Pommern, cruisers Wiesbaden, Elbing and Franconia, and the torpedo boat Mary, indefeasible and Invincible.

The British have admitted the loss of the battle cruisers Queen Mary, indefeasible and Invincible.

Paris today admits the loss of Fort Vaux, northeast of Verdun, the capture of which Berlin announced in yesterday's official statement. The French still hold the outskirts of the fort and trenches on both sides of it. The fort was abandoned by an incessant bombardment of seven days.

Heavy Fighting Continues. Paris, June 8.—Heavy fighting continues in the vicinity of Fort Vaux, northeast of Verdun. The war office report today says the French troops still occupy the trench on the right and left of the works.

The loss of the fort itself of which Berlin was given in last night's report, is conceded. Announcement says the fort was abandoned by the garrison after it had been reduced to a helpless state by incessant bombardment of seven days.

Strength of Navies. Berlin, June 8.—At the high tide of the battle during the North sea action of last week the strength of the British and German fleets, as given today, from an authoritative German source, was: British, at least 35 dreadnaughts, six battle cruisers and at least four armored cruisers.

German, sixteen dreadnaughts, five battle cruisers, six older German battleships and no armored cruisers.

In addition, numerous light warships were engaged.

Official List Given. Berlin, June 8.—Via London.—An official statement today gives the total loss of the German high sea forces during the Jutland battle and up to the present, is one battle cruiser, one ship of the line, one destroyer, four small cruisers and five torpedo boats.

Until now, for military reasons, we refrained from making public the destruction of the Lutzow and the cruiser Rostock," says the statement.

The British admiralty claimed the destruction of the Lutzow in the first statement.

THE WEATHER. North Dakota, Generally fair tonight and Friday except passing showers and showers.

Belgian Relief Work Discussed. The Hague, Via London, June 8.—A. J. Hamphill of the Guaranty Trust company of New York and financial adviser to the Belgian relief commission, has left The Hague for Seattle with C. A. Young, Rotterdam representative of the commission, to confer with Herbert C. Hoover, chairman of the commission, and General van Belling, German governor general in Belgium, as to the future conduct of the relief work.

NORTH DAKOTA BULL MOOSERS, AS WELL AS OTHERS, DESIRE THIRD PARTY ONLY; HAVE MUCH STRENGTH

Leaders of Both Factions Now Admit That There is Slight Prospect of Re-union—Temporary Organization Made Permanent.

Chicago, June 8.—The Republican and Progressive national conventions entered the second day of active work today, the former convening at 11 o'clock at the Coliseum and the latter at 2 o'clock at the Auditorium, while the fight for the supremacy that will bring harmony was waged without cessation by some of the biggest individual figures in present day American politics.

Struggling against the flight of hours, a complexity of motive and an impulse that fairly baffled them, seasoned political strategists and leaders conferred constantly in an endeavor to find the answer, if possible, before the answer was precipitated upon them by the delegates on the floors of the two conventions.

Each time a combination seemed to have been achieved or a definite result obtained early today, well laid plans would be swept aside by some unexpected twist or crux, attack, while the situation again was to be talked from another angle.

But one certain and clear-cut result pushed its way up through the mass of reports and rumors. That was the fact that Justice Hughes became stronger hourly.

Late developments indicated clearly that neither convention would make a nomination before Friday, or possibly later.

Committees of both conventions were working most of the night and this morning, endeavoring to clean up their duties. The resolutions sub-committee of the Republicans finished its deliberations today, having drafted a platform. Other committees pressed forward with the program, trying to be ready with reports when the conventions reconvened.

PLATFORM COMMITTEE WORKS IN SECRECY. The strictest secrecy surrounded the work of the republican sub-committee, it having adopted a resolution not to divulge anything in connection with the platform until submitted to the full committee. It was learned, however, that the committee found little trouble in drafting a declaration of principles, the chief work being in agreeing on the phraseology.

It is generally believed that this platform will reaffirm most of the principles adopted four years ago. The new features will include a declaration on Americanism. The international situation will be touched upon. The Mexican policy and the present administration will be criticized.

Amid a confusion of claims and counter-claims today, discussions of possible peace and the fusion of the two parties assumed a more concrete trend, rumors becoming persistent that Roosevelt might come to Chicago and appear before both conventions in the role of pacifier.

MANY AGAINST ANY ALIGNMENT. Republican leaders discussed the proposal to invite Roosevelt to Chicago, deciding, it is said, if Roosevelt prepared to declare himself out of the contest for nomination, to enter into an agreement for the selection of a republican candidate, if the invitation will be forthcoming.

From Progressive quarters came reports of the center western progressive delegations solidly set against fusion. It is reported that North Dakota and other progressive state delegations desired a third party above all else and would do everything possible to prevent the progressive convention from entering a peace pact.

These stated the delegation, it is reported, is sufficient in numbers to block every effort of George W. Perkins and other progressive leaders to enter into an agreement with the republicans. If this situation is true, it means in all probability that the progressive convention will go on and complete its work regardless of what the leaders may suggest or order, and that Colonel Roosevelt will receive the nomination whether he wants it or not. Such conditions, serving in part to increase the expectancy of Roosevelt's coming to Chicago, as it is stated by men closely in touch with the developments, only Roosevelt's arrival on the ground would head off the rank and file of the progressive delegates in the mood they exhibited yesterday and today.

As the day wore on it became more and more apparent that two tickets will be in the field.

Victor Murdock, chairman of the progressive national committee, summed up the whole situation when he said: "Well, we left the door open, but the republicans don't seem to be coming in."

REPUBLICAN LEADERS ALSO DOUBTFUL. Republican leaders, too, discounted success of the peace talk, saying that action had been delayed so long that the majority of the republican delegates already had decided without regard for a third party to nominate Hughes.

The belief prevailed that the republican nomination will be made tomorrow, but it is not expected that the convention will adjourn until the progressives act.

Delegates believe the progressives will nominate Saturday, or before. Roosevelt and Johnson, the standard bearer four years ago. When the republican convention got down to business, Senator Smoot presented the report of the credentials committee, which was adopted. The report of the permanent organization committee, recommending that the temporary organization be made permanent, was adopted. Permanent Chairman Harding receiving an ovation.

One current rumor was that Roosevelt telegraphed to reserve rooms at a local hotel.

ORPET WINS BIG U. C. T. MEETING POINT IN CASE OPENS IN MINOT

Court Rules That all His Large Delegations Present Letters Must be Turned Over to Defense. —Hanna and Burnquist to Speak.

Waukegan, Ill., June 8.—Will Orpet, on trial for the murder of Marian Lambert, won a long contested point through his attorney today. When Judge Donnelly ruled that all letters which the defendant wrote to the girl and which are in possession of the prosecution should be turned over to defense.

CORTELYOU HOPES TO SEE HARMONY. Chicago, June 8.—George B. Cortelyou, former member of a Roosevelt cabinet, got into Chicago yesterday. He went straight to the republican convention and said after an adjournment that he had not seen George W. Perkins or any other of the progressive leaders. He talked with Colonel Roosevelt before he left New York. "I am here to render any assistance I can," was all Mr. Cortelyou would say. "As a former chairman of the republican national committee I want to do anything I can."