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COX NOMINATED BY DEMOCRATS

San Francisco, July 6.—Governor Cox of Ohio was nominated early this morning. It took 44 ballots to make the choice and it was not until the 33rd when Palmer withdrew from the race that the roll calls showed any definite trend. In the turnover of the Palmer delegates, Cox gained the advantage over McAdoo in the balloting and that advantage never was lost until the choice was made.

The convention adjourned until noon today to nominate a candidate for the vice presidency. Should it be decided to give the second place to the East, Franklin Roosevelt of New York, assistant sec'y of the navy seemed the favorite but if the nomination goes West, several possibilities are talked about by the leaders.

Cox got the majority for the first time on the 43rd ballot and on the 44th was plunging toward the required two-thirds when Colorado changed its vote and made the nomination obvious. It was made unanimous on the motion of Sammieon of Kansas, a McAdoo leader.

Brief Review of Cox's Life

As Editor, Congressman and Governor He Has Led Busy Life

James Middleton Cox was three times governor of Ohio, an honor enjoyed by only one other Ohioan, Rufus B. Hayes.

Born on a farm, educated in the public schools, a printer's devil, a school teacher, a newspaper reporter, a private secretary to a congressman, owner, manager and proprietor of two newspapers, member of congress for three years and three times governor of his state is his record to date.

Business success paralleled his political achievements and through his own efforts Cox has amassed a fortune. Mr. Cox became the leader of the Democratic party in Ohio in 1912, when he was nominated for governor. As one who had brought radical changes in the state constitution, he took the field in its behalf. His first term as governor was devoted chiefly to forwarding the enactment of laws to put the new state constitution into effect.

The Ohio evidently was not prepared to assimilate all the new laws and Cox was defeated for reelection. But his party renominated him in 1915 and he was reelected for a third term in 1916, being the only Democrat to win in Ohio.

Legislation for which Governor Cox is best known includes a model workmen's compensation law and a child labor law which have been extensively copied by other states. Educators of the country say the Ohio school code, enacted under Governor Cox's direction, will live as a monument to his achievements.

Mr. Cox was born in Butler county, Ohio, in 1870. He attended district school and held his first position as a teacher of the school in which he took his first lessons. He spent evenings and holidays in a printing office. In a few years he received his first assignment on the editorial staff of the Cincinnati Enquirer.

After ten years with the Enquirer, he went to Washington as a private secretary to Congressman Paul Fore of Ohio. At the close of this service he purchased the Dayton Daily News, borrowing most of the money to pay for it. Later he purchased the Springfield Daily News. He was first elected to congress in 1905.

He recently purchased the farm near Jacksonburg upon which he was born, and is making it into a modern farm home, where he expects to live on retirements from public office. He is married and has four children.

Cox Will Not Make Statement

Will Wait Until Official Notification Before He Speaks

Dayton, Ohio, July 6.—Cox declined to make a statement until after he has received official notification from the convention. The governor received the news of his nomination in his newspaper office through the day's news being surrounded by his fellow newspaper workers, a few relatives and intimate friends.

When the associated press wire flashed the nomination, his first act was to cross the room and kiss his wife. During the morning the Dayton Chamber of Commerce decided on a huge justification meeting late today or tonight.

Dayton, Ohio.—Cox will go to Middletown, Ohio tonight to receive the congratulations of his homefolks there with whom he attended school and worked as a young man.

Negro Shot Near Danville

Danville, Va., July 7.—Red Roach, a negro, was shot to death by farmers near Roanoke, N. C. last night, after an alleged attempt to attack a thirteen year old girl.

Harding Congratulates Cox

Recalls Cartoon Which Pictured Them Striving For White House

Columbus, July 6.—Harding wired Cox today, "I recall a remarkable cartoon which portrayed you and me as newsboys contesting for the white house delivery. It seems to have been prophetic. As an Ohioan and fellow publisher I congratulate you on your notable victory."

Harding at Work On Speech

Is Clearing Away Work That Has Accumulated On Him

Marion, Ohio, July 6.—Harding had no engagements today but planned to devote himself exclusively to clearing away the mass of correspondence and other work that has accumulated since he left Washington Sunday. During the next few days he plans to devote much time in preparation of his speech of acceptance. Ever since his nomination he has been accumulating material for this purpose and now has it in such shape that he needs only to put his ideas on paper.

Marion, July 6.—Harding in a statement said that Cox deserved the nomination but added that his selection would not change the republican campaign plans in Ohio in any way.

Thompson Resigns as Cotton Weigher

Pensions of Veterans Raised

A regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held at the court house on July 6. The minutes of June 19th were read and approved. Superintendent of Roads Thompson reported on the work done by the gang in the month of June.

The main gang is working in the Rembert section, the secondary gang is now around Mayesville, while the floating gang has put in its time repairing and building the county bridges. Considerable work has been done on the bridges and about 1-3 of the work of surveying the roads in the Privater section has been completed. The balance will be finished shortly.

Contractor Richardson put in a bid for repairs on the alms house. Commissioners Mims and Britton were appointed to inspect the alms house and act accordingly.

Superintendent Thompson reported that the Ford car he was using had been used 13 months and that either the car should be thoroughly overhauled or he should have a new one. The board authorized him to sell the old one and buy a new car.

Mr. Alex Thompson, cotton weigher, appeared before the board and stated that he was about to retire from the service. He has been cotton weigher for 13 years, during which time he has received the hearty cooperation of every member of the board and he wished to express his appreciation of this. The board expressed regret that he saw fit to resign. The clerk was directed to advertise that another cotton weigher would be elected at the next meeting of the board on August 3.

Sheriff Hurst appeared before the board and asked that further assistance be rendered the family of Joe Wells, and that the cells in the jail be painted. The board declined further assistance to Mrs. Joe Wells at this time.

Application for supplies for the alms house were received and approved. Reports were received from the county nurse, home demonstration agent, cotton weigher and rural police. These were ordered filed.

Architect Johnson, of Johnson and Deal, who had been employed to supervise the repairs on the court house made a detailed report of the needed repairs. Members of the Board went over the court house with Mr. Johnson in the afternoon and then adopted his report as a whole and incorporated in them provisions for ventilating the third story and the roof. He was asked to prepare at once the specifications for the contractor's bids.

Applications were received from Mr. H. N. Idol and Mr. Sumter Belk, Confederate Veterans, that their monthly pensions be increased \$5.00 under the provisions of the law regarding same. Their requests were granted.

Application for aid were received in the case of Mrs. Elizabeth Compton, widow of Robert Compton, Confederate veteran. She was granted an appropriation of \$5.00 per month.

A note for \$15,000 payable to the sinking fund commission was signed by the Board. This is to obtain funds for the ordinary expenses of the county and is in anticipation of the collection of the county taxes. The bond of \$1,000 for Rural Policeman W. J. Frierson was approved.

After approving the claims for payment of bills on hand, the Board adjourned.

Explosion in France

Dijon, France, July 7.—Ten are known to be dead and thirty were badly injured in an explosion in a gun powder factory here today.

Roosevelt For Second Place

Assistant Secretary of Navy Nominated for Vice-President

San Francisco, July 7.—Franklin D. Roosevelt of New York, assistant secretary of the navy, was nominated for vice president today by the Democratic national convention and became the running mate of Gov. James M. Cox of Ohio, Democrat choice for the presidential nomination.

The first cries of "Cox and Roosevelt" rang through the convention hall and were mixed with the shouts of the vote of acclamation by which he was nominated without a ballot.

Despite disinclination of the Tammany delegation to accept him, Roosevelt's name went over with a band wagon movement during which all other candidates were withdrawn.

James Hamilton Lewis of Illinois was withdrawn early by former Governor Dunne, Gov. Stewart of Montana and former Governor Hawley of Idaho were withdrawn and Brig. Gen. L. D. Tyson of Tennessee, in person, announced he would not be a contender as did David R. Francis of Missouri. Nomination of W. T. Vaughn of Oregon had received state primary endorsement, was changed into a second for the successful nominee.

Bainbridge Colby, secretary of state, who was endorsed as a candidate and refused to allow his name to be used finally was urged to consent if he should be "drafted."

As it turned out the Tammany crowd decided to accept Roosevelt, who brought to the ticket the participation of an administration man, and Mr. Colby's name was not considered further.

Mr. Roosevelt was placed in nomination by Timothy L. Ansberry, a former representative from Ohio who sat as a Cox delegate in the District of Columbia delegation.

Dayton, Ohio, July 6.—Governor James M. Cox, Democratic presidential nominee, tonight expressed his approval of Franklin D. Roosevelt as his running mate in the coming election.

A telegram of congratulation sent by Governor Cox to Mr. Roosevelt was as follows: "Please accept my earnest congratulations over the honor that has come to you. I am very much delighted that we are associated together in the contest."

In discussing Mr. Roosevelt, Governor Cox characterized him as a very vigorous, upstanding, courageous and progressive Democrat.

Cox Calls On Louisiana to Ratify

Woman Suffrage Movement Is Approved by Democratic Nominee

Dayton, O., July 7.—Cox today expressed an opinion that it is the duty of the Louisiana legislature to ratify the suffrage amendment immediately. The telegram was in reply to Frank Looney, Democratic state chairman, who asked him to express his views to the assembly on the ratification.

McAdoo Is Relieved

Is Glad The Call Did Not Come To Him

Huntington, N. Y., July 6.—When McAdoo was informed that Cox had been nominated his only comment was: "I am relieved and delighted that the call did not come to me." McAdoo showed every evidence of being pleased and said that he would make a statement later in the day.

Bolsheviki Storm Polish Lines

Great Offensive Movement Started By Russians

Warsaw, July 7.—Along a 720 mile front the Russian Bolsheviki have launched the greatest attack ever hurled against the Polish lines. To shorten their lines the Poles began a withdrawal at all points.

Tindal News Notes

Tindal, S. C., July 6.—We had a fine rain Friday, July 2, which improved the crops very much. We had a quiet wedding July 4th. Carl Ben Pack of Tindal and Thersa Hodge of Tindal, which took place at the residence of Rev. O. W. Triplett, of Sumter with a few of their friends and relatives being present. They spent the night in Sumter and returned to their home on Monday. The health of the neighborhood is very good and the crops are looking fine, especially the corn.

T. E. Hodge.

Spartanburg, July 6.—William P. Cooper, a blacksmith, and Oscar Godfrey, a horse trader, killed each other here tonight in a pistol duel at Finley's stable, just off North Church street. There were no eye witnesses, but a police officer, hearing the shots, 12 in number, ran to the scene to find Cooper dead, and Godfrey dying. Godfrey was still snapping his emptied gun at Cooper's body. Each man had emptied his gun.

Colby and Palmer Enjoined

Supreme Court Asked to Prevent Government Recognition of Prohibition

Washington, July 7.—Proceedings asking that Secretary of State Colby be enjoined from issuing any proclamation declaring the suffrage amendment ratified were instituted in the District of Columbia supreme court today by Charles Fairchild of New York, president of the American Constitutional League. Fairchild also seeks to prevent attorney general Palmer from enforcing the amendment.

The court issued the rule on Colby and Palmer is to show cause on July 13 why the motion should not be granted.

The basis of the proceedings is the claim that the ratification by West Virginia was illegal because it was accomplished by fraud and the proposed ratification by the Tennessee legislature would be illegal on the ground that the legislature lacked any authority under the state constitution to act on the measure.

Roosevelt Prominent In Politics

Though a Young Man, He Has Accomplished Many Things

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., July 6.—The little village of Hyde Park, birthplace and summer residence of Franklin D. Roosevelt, assistant secretary of the navy and Democratic candidate for the vice presidency, received quietly but with elation the news that its favorite political son had been named as running mate to Gov. James M. Cox this evening. The Associated Press carried the first news of his nomination to Mr. Roosevelt's residence, but attempts to communicate with his mother, Mrs. James Roosevelt, were unavailing, as she was out for the evening.

Mr. Roosevelt first sprang into political prominence in 1910 when he was drafted by the Democrats of the Twenty-eighth New York State senatorial district, consisting of the counties of Dutchess, Putnam and Columbia, in an effort to defeat Senator John F. Schlosser of Beacon, who was a candidate for reelection. Roosevelt was successful, rolling up a majority of 355 in the Democratic landslide which carried John A. Dix into the governor's chair. One of the stories still told of Mr. Roosevelt's first campaign by local politicians is that he corralled the farmer vote by running on a platform which advocated uniform apple barrels.

Mr. Roosevelt was reelected in 1912, but resigned his seat on March 17, 1913, to accept the appointment as assistant secretary of the navy. His most famous exploit in the State senate was his leadership of the insurgents who opposed the election of William F. Sheehan to the United States senate.

After three months' deadlock James A. O'Gorman was elected with Mr. Roosevelt's concurrence.

Since Mr. Roosevelt's appointment to the navy department he has spent most of his time in Washington, returning during the summer months and on holiday trips to visit his mother. He has never relinquished his deep interest in Hyde Park, however, and is still one of the foremost citizens and one of the leading parishioners of St. James' Episcopal church, which the Roosevelt family has attended for years. He is a frequent visitor in Poughkeepsie, and active in county democratic councils.

Mr. Roosevelt was born in Hyde Park January 30, 1882, the son of James and Sarah Delano Roosevelt. He is a distant relative of Col. Theodore Roosevelt on his father's side, and of the Astor family through his mother. He attended the Groton School and was graduated from Harvard in 1904 and the Columbia Law School in 1907, being admitted to the New York bar during the same year. He practiced first with Carter, Ledyard and Milburn of New York, and then became a member of the firm of Marvin, Hooker and Roosevelt.

Mr. Roosevelt married Anna Eleanor Roosevelt, niece of the late Col. Theodore Roosevelt and daughter of Elliot Roosevelt, March 17, 1905. They have five children. Mr. Roosevelt divides his time when at home between his family, his interest in local affairs and tennis, for which he displays his chief sporting enthusiasm. He is extremely democratic in manner and is popular throughout the country.

In New York Mr. Roosevelt is a member of the City, Harvard, Knickerbocker and Racquet and Tennis clubs, while he is affiliated with the Army and Navy Metropolitan and University clubs of Washington.

At the Roosevelt home tonight it was said that Mr. Roosevelt is expected to return here from the convention for a rest of several days. He had originally planned a trip to Canada, it was said, but the nomination may cause him to abandon it.

Davis Congratulates Cox

Sends Telegram From London To Democratic Nominee

London, July 6.—Ambassador Davis sent the following message to Cox: "My hearty congratulations, upon your nomination. You can and will lead the party to a well deserved victory."

Endeavorers Leave For New Orleans

Misses Brunson and Fraser of Sumter Among Delegates to Convention

(Wyatt A. Taylor.)

Columbia, July 6.—About 15 young people from South Carolina will leave the State Wednesday morning for New Orleans, where they will attend the All-South Christian Endeavor convention, the dates for which are July 8-11, and which is to be one of the largest and most important religious gatherings of young people ever held in the South. An array of the strongest speakers in America will feature the program, the governor of Louisiana, leaders in the world Christian Endeavor organization; and prominent religious leaders of many parts of the country and many denominations being included.

Included in the South Carolina delegation are Miss Claudia Fraser, Sumter; Glen Price, Charleston; W. S. Denny, Clinton; Frank P. Wilson, Due West; Askew Shand, Union; A. Y. Drummond, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Taylor and Geo. Ellison of Columbia; Miss Brunson, Sumter; two delegates from Blairs, one from Salem, Black River, one from Clinton and possibly others.

Bickett Calls Special Session

To Consider Revaluation of Property and Woman Suffrage

Raleigh, July 7.—Governor Bickett called a special session of the legislature to meet August 10 to act on the state tax commission report concerning the revaluation of property. The ratification of suffrage amendment is not mentioned in the call but it is expected that the question will come up during the session.

Farm Demonstration Meetings

Crop Diversification Marketing and Boll Weevil Problems To Be Discussed By Experts

Sumter county will have four big meetings this week in the interest of the better marketing of cotton and other farm products, fighting the boll weevil, and reviving interest in the American Cotton Association.

All meetings will begin at 11 a. m. and will be all day affairs. These meetings will be held at Bethel Schoolhouse, July 7th; Concord School House, July 8th; Rembert School House, July 9th and at the Olanda Veteran's Picnic Grounds on July 10th for Eastern Sumter county.

Mr. J. Frank Williams, County Agent and Miss Caro Truluck, Home Demonstration Agent for Sumter County, Mr. T. J. Kirvin, Vice President of the Sumter County Branch of the Cotton Association, and the Sumter County Chamber of Commerce are the local committee on arrangements for these important meetings. There will be a number of prominent speakers and experts of the Clemson College Farm Extension Division, and of the State Warehouse Commission and South Carolina Cotton Association, and possibly a few lady experts of the State Home Demonstration Department of Winthrop college.

Among the distinguished speakers who have accepted the call to talk may be mentioned the following: Professors Johnson, Shealey and Hoffman, Winters and Conradi, the latter the chief of the department of entomology of Clemson, all of the Clemson experts being particularly well versed and experienced in the crop diversification and boll weevil problems of the farmers.

There will also be two representatives of the South Carolina State Warehouse Commissioner to speak and President Hamer of the South Carolina Division of the American Cotton Association, Senator Laney of Chesterfield, and President J. Skottowe Wannamaker of the American Cotton Association. It is expected that the Clemson officials will, with the exception of Professor Conradi, attend every meeting. Professor Conradi attending at least two.

President Wannamaker will speak at Rembert on July 9th, Senator Laney at Olanda on July 10th.

President Hamer is also expected at Rembert and Olanda on the 9th and 10th.

It is planned to have lunch at every meeting, and to have morning and afternoon sessions. The public is cordially invited to attend every meeting. Miss Truluck and her associates of Winthrop will put on demonstrations of interest to ladies and girls.

The cotton crop is growing and putting on fruit rapidly, and the usual big crop optimists are predicting the biggest crop in the history of Sumter county—but predictions of this sort at this stage of the game are not very valuable. Cotton is small yet, besides being probably three weeks later than normal, and it has a long way to go before it can be counted as a certain crop.

Argentine Government Opposes Prohibition

Wine Interest Assured that Executive Department Would Oppose Movement

Buenos Aires, July 7.—Government opposition to the prohibition bill recently introduced in Congress was announced today. Representatives of the wine interests were assured that the executive department would use all legal resources against the measure.

Harding Prepares For Notification

Hays and DuPont Confer With Republican Nominee Friday

Marion, O., July 7.—Harding planned another quiet day for Wednesday. National Chairman Hays and T. Coleman DuPont, chairman of the committee arranging for the official notification will see him Friday to discuss plans for that event.

Villa Signs Armistice

Will Not Make War on Towns and Trains

El Paso, July 7.—An armistice has been signed by Villa and he has agreed to surrender to the provisional government under certain conditions, according to a Torreon dispatch published by the El Paso Times. Villa has agreed to cease his attacks on all town garrisons and trains.

Roosevelt Goes To Dayton

Will Confer With Cox and Lay Plans For Campaign

San Francisco, July 7.—Delegates are leaving on every train. Roosevelt expected to leave during the day for Dayton to consult with Cox where the preliminary plan for the campaign will be drafted subject to amendment later when the party machinery is organized and necessary advisers are selected. Roosevelt intends to resign from the navy department as soon as he can clear his desk.

Germans Will Disarm

Present Their Plans to Allied Conference at Spa

Spa, July 7.—The decision reached by the officials of the German delegation to recommend to the delegation the present plan of disarmament for Germany will be presented to the allied representatives today.

Series of Sermons Begin

Dr. Rice Will Preach on the Great Prophets

Dr. John A. Rice will Sunday begin a series of four sermons on the Great Prophets of the eighth century B. C. These four sermons will be the substance of lectures he has given at Chautauquas, Assemblies and Institutes all over the South for many years. The purpose of them is to make these prophets live among us now and fight the same battles we are fighting for social righteousness. They are not far off men whose business it was to peep into the future and write down history in advance, but living men of the spirit thundering today against social wrongs and pleading with divine power for social betterment. They were not primarily foretellers, but forth tellers, men who understood God and their times, who saw the invisible and told what they saw, who spoke forth the will of God for their day and therefore for ours. Those interested in having a vital, live, Bible, quivering with tremendous power for us here and now, speaking to our life because it has made life its own and talks out of life in red hot words—those interested in such an inheritance are invited to Trinity Methodist Church tomorrow if they have no other church home here in the city.

Columbia, July 2.—The fifth day in the trial of the case of the State of South Carolina against the Columbia Railway, Gas and Electric company for the recovery of the Columbia canal, involving several millions of dollars, plodded its weary length along through six hours of technical evidence yesterday until just before adjournment when the State announced that it had closed its case in chief. Thereupon a motion for non-suit was made by counsel for the defendant and after argument was overruled by Judge Townsend. Grounds upon which the motion was predicated raise questions involving the constitution of the United States, which it is possible may take the case to the United States supreme court. The defense will begin its testimony this morning.

The ice delivery system of the Sumter Ice and Fuel Co. was too good to last. Regular delivery and full weights are scarcely to be hoped for as a regular thing.