

REPUBLICANS FACE TWO PLANS

REORGANIZATION OF THE STAND-PATTERNS MAY BE ACCOMPLISHED BY EITHER ONE OF TWO METHODS BUT CHOICE HAS NOT BEEN MADE YET.

SOME WANT NEW CONVENTION CALLED

Washington, D. C., Dec. 16.—Two proposals for re-organization of the Republican party and methods of fixing a basis upon which discordant elements can unite, confronted the Republican national committee today.

Foremost was a proposal for a special national convention to readjust the system of delegate representation.

A resolution for a special convention was prepared by a special committee, which also framed another resolution in accordance with a compromise suggestion by Chas. B. Warren of Michigan, chairman of the law committee, proposing that after the national committee fixes a basis of delegate reapportionment, the plan be ratified by two-thirds of the states which cast Republican pluralities for president in 1908.

On the special committee drafting the resolution were committeemen Warren of Michigan, Borah of Idaho, Hadley of Missouri, who also holds a proxy from Louisiana; Smoot of Utah and Howell of Nebraska.

They went into session early today to report later to the entire committee.

Ormsby Mather, who represented the Roosevelt forces in the contests preceding the Chicago convention last year, addressed the committee in opposition to a special convention.

"If the committee has power to call a convention, it has power to change representation. If this committee has decided that abuses should be corrected, it should manfully so announce. Such a course will restore to very large extent the confidence of the people, who must become the adherents of the Republican party, if it is to be successful at the next national election. The old adage, 'A wrong corrected is half redressed' will have wholesome and practical application at this critical juncture in our party affairs."

Speaking of the Chicago contests, Mather said: "I knew that Roosevelt was defrauded and a majority of the members of that committee knew that he was defrauded and I remained silent, frequently haunted by the statement at proceedings were instituted solely for the purpose of confusing and befogging the committee, and what I then protested against, is precisely that which you admit now."

Informal discussion among committeemen developed a somewhat general opinion in favor of the proposal for the committee to change the basis of representation and refer it to state conventions which meet next year.

The two resolutions finally were presented. The first specified that a special convention should be called "for the purpose of taking such action as shall be deemed advisable in respect to changing the present basis of representation and for the transaction of all other business that may properly come before the convention."

The second was, in part, as follows: "Confident that the action of this committee, representing as it does, the practical unanimous sentiment of the Republican electors of the country, will be ratified by the Republican electors of the national convention of the party when convened in 1916, and by state conventions of the party wherever held.

"Resolved, That it be the sense of this committee that the committee shall forthwith proceed to determine on a basis of representation in future national conventions, of the party."

Both resolutions provided recognition of the primary laws of various states and agreed that certificates of election from proper state authorities should be sufficient grounds for placing the name of a delegate on the temporary roll of the convention.

The second resolution also recognized the methods adopted in California, and other states, where all delegates are elected at large and only declares that the total number named in the roll must be chosen by any state which has such a law.

Resolutions were adopted to admit Senator Cummins and Representative Woods, of Iowa, of the Republican congressional committee, to the conference.

Chairman Warren, of the law committee, then moved the adoption of the first resolution, proposing a national convention and the debate began.

Senator Cummins appealed for the calling of a national convention. While he did not discourage the alternative propositions of referring a re-organization plan to the states, he believed that such a plan would not impress the public generally as strongly as a national convention.

PROGRESSIVES OF ILLINOIS MEET

THEY CONFER REGARDING PLANS FOR THE FUTURE OF THE PARTY IN THE STATE, AND ESPECIALLY WITH REGARD TO NEXT YEAR'S ELECTIONS.

ALSO PLAN TO SELECT SENATORIAL CANDIDATE

Chicago, Dec. 16.—Representative members of the Progressive party from nearly every county in Illinois gathered here today to confer on the party's plans for the future, with particular reference to the elections next year.

Before the meeting adjourns, it is planned to select a candidate for the United States senate and to perfect plans for complete tickets in every county and in every senatorial and congressional district.

Three brought to the surface are: Wallace Baxter, Starbuck, Filson, an Italian.

Superintendent Meerdink, who came out of the workings early this afternoon, said that his party had penetrated to the face, that many bodies had been found, and conditions were such that he had no hope of recovering any alive.

Of the men entombed all but six or eight are Americans. A number of men were in the upper levels, which are reached by a long incline from the tipple, at the time of the explosion. These hastened to the main tunnel and are said to have been met by a second explosion. At 1:25 this afternoon two bodies had been recovered.

Newcastle was the scene of the first big mine disaster in Colorado in 1889, when 75 men were killed in the Santa Fe mine.

The Vulcan mine penetrates one of the richest coal belts in Colorado. The whole district, however, is considered dangerous, as many of the mines are unusually "gassy."

Newcastle, Colo., Dec. 16.—An explosion in the Vulcan mine of the Rocky Mountain Fuel company, one a half miles east of here at 10:20 this morning, entombed Mine Foreman L. L. Crawford, Fire Boss L. Walters and at least thirty miners.

Through representatives to General Villa by American Consul Letcher and through messages conveyed by the American consul at Hermosillo to General Carranza, the United States has successfully intervened in behalf of Spaniards who complained of mistreatment when Chihuahua City was occupied by the constitutionalists.

All advice to the state department today say foreigners generally with the exception of the Spaniards, have been respected and this government on the request of the Spanish ambassador has undertaken to see that Spanish subjects are included in the protection given to other foreigners.

Inferences that by appealing to General Carranza the United States had recognized the constitutionalists were pronounced false by Secretary Bryan today, who pointed out that the United States had from time to time dealt with the military authorities in control of various sections.

Report to the navy today said the battleship Ohio would be detained ten days at sea on account of the two cases of smallpox aboard and that the battleship Michigan would remain in Mexican waters until the Ohio relieved her.

Chastic Conditions. Juarez, Mex., Dec. 16.—Rebel leaders in Juarez today were hopeful that information would come from General Francisco Villa of his future attitude toward foreigners in a less serious aspect than that which resulted from the expulsion of Spaniards and the taking over of their property by the rebel forces.

General Benavides, left by Villa in command at Juarez, considered that Villa's acts were based on a conviction that the Spanish merchants of Chihuahua had aided the federal troops, had taken a strong stand in favor of Hu-

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CUIHUARUA IS NOW PRACTICALLY DESERTED BY ITS FOREIGN POPULATION.—CONSUL LETCHER SENDS HIS FAMILY TO BORDER FOR SAFETY.

CONFISCATE ALL FOREIGNERS' PROPERTY El Paso, Texas, Dec. 16.—Two hundred more foreigners, including 60 Americans arrived here today on a special train from Chihuahua City, Mexico. Among them were French, German, Italian and Spanish people, who had been engaged in business in Mexico. They reiterated the stories told earlier by refugees that General Francisco Villa's attitude toward them and his action in expelling Spaniards, had created a desire among all foreigners to leave the country. They said since the Spaniards left the property taken from their stores had been auctioned and the proceeds placed in the rebel treasury.

The fate of Luis Terrazas, who is held prisoner, was reported to be unknown. The refugees corroborated the statement that Terrazas had been compelled to sign checks in small denominations and that these checks were being used as currency.

The family of Marion Letcher, United States consul at Chihuahua, was among the arrivals on today's refugee train.

Banks in Trouble. Mexico City, Dec. 16.—Thousands of persons formed lines today at the doors of the Office Banco Central. It was the only bank in the city that had not refused to redeem state bank notes. Practically every bill in the city issued by an outside bank was brought to the central bank for redemption.

When the body was cut down shortly afterward, it was found to have been riddled with bullets.

Culbertson, while being taken from the jail, pleaded for mercy, but was met with the reply "You didn't show any mercy to the Dillons and we will show none to you."

The mob, which was thoroughly organized, is believed by the sheriff to have come from the vicinity of Ray, where Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Dillon and their daughter were murdered on the night of October 18. There was no known cause for the killing of the Dillons. Culbertson received his formal sentence yesterday and was to have been taken to the penitentiary today.

EIGHT ARE DEAD IN FIRE AT CINCINNATI, O. Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 16.—Eight persons are dead, and a score are suffering from injuries as a result of the fire which destroyed the Salvation Army home for men here early today.

Several of the injured are in a serious condition. Among the dead were Arthur Sandell, of Benzer, Me., receiver and clerk of the home, and T. S. Shoddell, believed to work in this city.

The other six have not been identified. There were 150 beds in the building of which 15 were occupied by the employees of the Salvation Army. Every one of the employees except Sandell escaped.

A charge of incendiary was placed against a man who gave the name of Frank Meyers. He claimed to be a circus rider and said he last lived in Arizona. The property loss is estimated at \$35,000.

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Professor Alfred Marston Tozzer, of Harvard University, called "Little Tozzor," and who has been referred to by certain wise ones as a "mere instructor" or "an instructorette," now looms up as a BIG MAN in the scientific world.

According to a dispatch from Mexico City printed in the Albuquerque Journal, Mr. Tozzor has been appointed president of the International School of American Archaeology located in the City of Mexico, taking office December 1.

This school is conducted by scientific institutions devoted to archaeology of the following countries: Prussia, Bavaria, Saxony, Sweden, Russia, Austria, and Mexico. It is also backed by the following American institutions: Harvard, Columbia University, the University of Pennsylvania, and the Hispanic Society of America.

Hay's Son With Him. The dispatch in the Journal continues: "Professor Tozzor is accompanied by Clarence S. Hay, a Harvard student and son of the late John Hay, former American secretary of state. He is also interested deeply in archaeology and will remain in Mexico several months for the purpose of studying Mexican archaeology."

Important Work. "Professor Tozzor intends to make excavations in the valley of Mexico and hopes are expressed that his work will result in valuable discoveries. He and Mr. Hay have been in Mexico before, but only on short visits. As president of the Mexican archaeological school he takes the place of Professor Engemann, who has occupied the position for the past year.

"Professor Tozzor is a Harvard graduate and has written several works. Among them are 'A Comparative Study of the Mayas and Lacandonas and the Ruins of Tikal.' He has also written numerous pamphlets."

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Rear Admiral Howard, honorary president of the order, today repudiated the work of the press agent who furnished advance stories about the dinner, which declared that what was said and done was designed to show

the "lack of sympathy for recent developments and tendencies in the Philippine government."

Admiral Howard said neither he nor any other officer knew such statements were being given out. Brigadier General Aleshire, Brigadier General McIntyre, and Admiral Howard conferred with Secretary Garrison today and promised to furnish a report of what occurred at the banquet.

President Wilson's order for an investigation of the affair has created a great commotion in army and naval circles.

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Prior to the convening of the convention at 10 o'clock it seemed probable that the first day's session would be devoted to the presentation and consideration of resolutions. From all indications these promised to cover a wide range, the chief questions being as follows:

Resolution for the recall of Governor Ammons.

Resolution condemning the action of the militia in the strike zone and demanding the removal of General John Chase.

Resolution denouncing the attitude of Attorney General Farr on the strike.

Resolution for the submission of constitutional amendment providing state operation of coal mines.

Resolution pledging the support to persons imprisoned or cruelly treated by the military commission.

Resolution condemning the proposed Denver bond issue for the construction of the James Peak railroad tunnel.

Resolution recommending compulsory arbitration of labor disputes.

SCHMIDT TRIED TO INSURE VICTIM'S LIFE. New York, Dec. 16.—Hans Schmidt sought to secure \$5,000 insurance on the life of his victim, Anna Ammuller, as far back as last April, according to testimony of Harold M. Hayes, an insurance examiner at today's session of Schmidt's trial for murder. The state contends that Schmidt was planning then to murder the young woman. He killed her on the night of August 31.

The blank on which Schmidt wrote out the application for insurance was offered in evidence. It described the Ammuller woman as Mrs. John Schmidt and her occupation as house-keeper. The date of her marriage—the ceremony which Schmidt says he performed, acting as both priest and bridegroom, was given as May 5, 1912.

The application was rejected by the insurance company, Mr. Hayes said.

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