

CLAYTON MADE TEM. CHAIRMAN

Republican National Committee Fails to Elect Permanent Head, Pending Taft Conference. TAFT IS RENOMINATED ON THE FIRST BALLOT

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A great majority of the Roosevelt delegates in the Illinois and all in the Missouri and Idaho delegations declined to follow this advice, but Colonel Roosevelt's sway over the delegations from California, Kansas, Maine, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, and West Virginia was all but absolute.

The closing scenes of the convention were marked by counter demonstrations for President Taft and Colonel Roosevelt. The first test vote after the announcement of the Roosevelt victory came on the adoption of the party platform.

At times during the balloting the convention was in great confusion. After getting under way in an effort to close up its business today the republican national convention was forced to halt and mark time by delay in the reports from the credentials committee.

One by one the contest reports were brought in, read in a near riot of disapproval, and passed. The fourth North Carolina, third Oklahoma, and the second Tennessee, in which there were no minority reports, went through under the gavel, about one-fourth of the delegates hearing the reading of the reports.

BRYAN CANDIDATE AGAINST PARKER To Seek Temporary Chairmanship in Dem. Convention If Jurist Wins in Committee.

either side to compromise and that Bryan would make the fight of his life on the convention floor, where the temporary chairmanship fight will be carried.

Baltimore, June 24.—Word has reached the convention hall that the Kentucky delegation voted to sustain the selection of Parker as temporary chairman, this action in spite of the protest by Senator-elect James of Kentucky, one of Bryan's supporters.

Baltimore, June 24.—Friends of William J. Bryan served notice on the national committee just before a brief recess this afternoon that if the selection of Judge Parker for temporary chairman is sustained by the committee they will nominate Bryan on the floor of the convention to oppose him for the honor.

Baltimore, June 24.—The democratic national committee, at 2:15 this afternoon appointed a committee of two—Chairman Mack and National Committeeman Hall of Nebraska—to confer with William Jennings Bryan and Alton B. Parker and their leaders with the aim of preventing a fight on the floor of the convention over the selection of a temporary chairman.

Baltimore, June 24.—William Jennings Bryan may be the candidate named by the progressives to make a fight against Judge Alton B. Parker for the temporary chairmanship of the democratic national convention. That was the plan being considered by the Bryan and Wilson forces today shortly before the national committee met to name a temporary chairman and settle contest cases.

There will be a progressive candidate for temporary chairman against Mr. Parker. If the progressives cannot agree upon a candidate for temporary chairman I will be a candidate for temporary chairman myself, unless I can find a man who will be satisfactory to us.

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DEMOCRATS HAVE FUN AT REPUBLICAN EXPENSE

Washington, June 24.—For 40 minutes today the house enjoyed itself over the situation in which the republican party finds itself as the result of the Chicago convention. Representative Campbell of Kansas started it by having read a letter written by former President Roosevelt in 1905 extolling the virtues of President Taft, then a candidate. Republican applause greeted a phrase containing fulsome praise for the president. Democrats laughed uproariously.

DECLINES TO ANSWER Wilson Doesn't Commit Himself on Questions Asked by the National Consumers' League.

New York, June 24.—The food committee of the National Consumers' League made public today a letter from Woodrow Wilson replying to a set of questions sent it recently, asking him and other presidential candidates to outline their attitude toward pure food legislation. The letter declines to answer the questions, "Because to answer them would seem to assume I was to have an opportunity to determine the method in which the laws of the United States are to be enforced," he said. However, both his judgment and sympathy are absolutely with the pure food laws.

PLANS MAKING FOR NEW PARTY

It Is Desired to Give Democrats and Republicans Place on Committee of Organization. WILL SEND EMISSARY TO BALTIMORE MEET Judge Lindsey to Study Situation There and Sound Leaders Regarding the Movement.

Chicago, June 24.—The nomination of a pronounced progressive by the democratic convention at Baltimore would make no change in the plans of Roosevelt to head a new party. A positive statement came from Roosevelt on the subject today, after there had been a long discussion of the possibility that a known progressive might receive the democratic presidential nomination.

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SUMMER EXCURSIONS BEGIN HERE THIS WEEK Arranged so That Tourists May Travel Over Entire W. N. C. Section.

The local excursion season, which is inaugurated each year by the Southern railway for the benefit of the visitors in Asheville and the surrounding country who wish to see the beauties of this entire section while here, will open this week. The first of the excursions will be run tomorrow to Hendersonville, Brevard, Lake Toxaway and all intermediate points.

On each Wednesday during the summer, until September 11, there will also be an excursion to Lake Toxaway from Tryon and all intermediate points, and on the same day from Hot Springs and Pisgah Forest to Asheville. The first of these will be run on Wednesday of this week.

On Monday of each week there will be an excursion from Asheville to Hot Springs and on Wednesdays from Hot Springs to Asheville. Besides these, there will be still another to be run on Saturdays from Asheville to Waynesville and Balsam.

ANCIENT "ONE-LINGER" WON A POT OF MONEY

The strength of the "one-linger" is sometimes surprising. Particularly is this true of the automobile. They may not go very fast but they get there, and their pulling powers are wonderful. The following is vouched for by reputable people.

A certain physician drives one of the old-fashioned, one-cylinder Cadillac, rated at about 16 horse-power. He has been driving it for about five years and it was probably driven a long time before he bought it.

The informal nomination of Colonel Roosevelt, was said to be chiefly for the purpose of effecting a temporary organization. The work of organization will be pushed forward rapidly, state by state.

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LAST EDITION 4:00 P. M. Weather Forecast: PROBABLY SHOWERS. 3c PER COPY

OVER 20 DROWNED AS DOCK CRUMBLES Death List at Eagle Park Larger Than at First Reported.

Buffalo, N. Y., June 24.—More than a score of persons were hurled to death in the swift waters of Niagara river late yesterday, when a dock at Eagle Park, a pleasure resort, crumbled under the weight of a throng of excursionists bound back to their homes in this city.

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MRS. PANKHURST FREED FROM LONDON PRISON

Released Because Hunger Strike Has Undermined Her Health. London, June 24.—Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, the militant suffragette leader, sentenced May 22 to nine months imprisonment on a charge of conspiracy and inciting to malicious damage to property, was released today because her health broke down after a hunger strike which she and her imprisoned followers recently began.

SUPT. REYNOLDS' POST NOT FILLED

Ten Applications Received—Choice Will Probably Be Made Monday. The Buncombe county board of education held a meeting this morning for the purpose of considering a successor to Superintendent of Schools A. C. Reynolds, who recently resigned to accept the principalship of the Cullowhee Normal and Industrial Institute at Cullowhee. There were 10 applications for the position, but none was elected this morning.

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