

SENATOR HARDING WILL BE NOTIFIED AT HOME JULY 22

Formal Notification Ceremonies Will Occur at Residence at Marion, Ohio

NOTIFY COOLIDGE AT NORTHAMPTON JULY 27

Dates Decided Upon at Lengthy Conference of Leaders and Nominees; Agree On Executive Committee To Have Charge of Campaign; Marion Butler and Pritchard Voted

Washington, June 21.—Senator Harding will be formally notified of his nomination as the Republican presidential candidate July 22, at his home in Marion, Ohio.

Governor Coolidge, of Massachusetts, will be notified of his nomination by the Republican party for vice president July 27, at his Northampton home.

The dates for the two notification ceremonies were decided on today at a conference in which Senator Harding, National Chairman Hays and a sub-committee of the Republican National Committee participated. The conference at its session, which lasted all day and into the early night, also agreed on an executive committee to have general charge of the campaign, but its personnel will not be made public until tomorrow in order to permit Chairman Hays to communicate with proposed members and ascertain whether they will be willing to serve. It was understood, however, that among the members appointed was Harry M. Daugherty, of Columbus, Ohio, pre-convention campaign manager for Senator Harding.

Hays Makes Statement.

Chairman Hays, in a formal statement said: "Senator Harding possesses just those vital qualities of mind and heart necessary today in the time just ahead. His poise of mind, his soundness of judgment, his boldness on fundamental issues, his appreciation of the needs of today and of tomorrow, his love of the people from whom he came and of whom he is one, and his faith in them; his magnificent grasp of large affairs, his great native ability and his training in statesmanship; his regard for the opinions of others, his experience and success in the handling of men; his proper appreciation of his country's position as a responsible factor in the world's future, but with the fullest realization of the absolute importance of our own supreme nationalism; his sterling Americanism, his righteous character and manhood, and withal his thorough humanness, all qualify him in the most exceptional degree for the tremendous responsibility which will soon be his. He will make a splendid candidate and a great President. The country will love him, honor him, trust him and follow him, just as all who know him love and trust him, and the world will honor him.

"Too, in Governor Coolidge we have a candidate for vice president that measures up to every requirement of a presidential candidate. Fortunate indeed is the country."

Approves Campaign Idea.

Mr. Hays said he approved of the "front porch campaign" idea for presidential candidates. Prior to his conference with the National committee members, Mr. Harding held conferences with Senator Kellogg of Minn., former Senator Albert J. Beveridge, of Indiana, a former Progressive leader, former Senator Marion Butler, of North Carolina, and Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, who received the vote of the North Carolina delegation in the Chicago convention for the Presidential nomination. All pledged their support in the campaign. Senator Smart said the nominee is farwell visit before leaving for his home in Utah.

M'ADOO SAYS WILSON'S INTERVIEW NO FACTOR

Denies His Announcement As To Nomination Had Any Relation With It

New York, June 21.—William G. McAdoo, in a statement here tonight, declared his recent announcement that he would permit his name to be presented to the San Francisco convention as a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, had no relation to the political interview with President Wilson published the day before. He declared he knew nothing of the interview until he saw it in print, and that the President knew nothing of his withdrawal until after notice of it had appeared in the newspapers.

Mr. McAdoo's statement follows: "In order to set at rest absurd rumors and speculations which have been published to the effect that my letter of withdrawal had some relation to the President's interview, or carried a concealed purpose, I wish to say first, that I knew nothing whatever of the President's interview until I saw it in the paper and, second, that the President knew nothing whatever of my letter of withdrawal until he saw it in the public print."

SKIPPER WHO PILOTED THE LUSITANIA FIRST IS DEAD

New York, June 21.—Captain James B. Watt, a former commodore of the Cunard fleet and master of the Lusitania on her maiden trip to this port, died June 21 at Las Palmas, Canary Islands, according to advices received here today.

He was 75 years old and had been in the Cunard service nearly fifty years.

Night Session May Follow Opening Act of Convention

National Committee at Frisco Plans to Dispose of Prospective Contest Over Seating of Senator Reed and Georgia Contest Before Convention Is Called To Order; Senator Walsh Being Talked Of As Permanent Chairman.

San Francisco, June 21.—A night session may follow the first session of the Democratic National Convention, which opens here next Monday, Homer S. Cummings, chairman of the National committee announced today.

Before that time, the National committee, which meets June 25, will have disposed of the prospective contest over the seating of United States Senator James A. Reed, of the fifth (Kansas City) district of Missouri, and the contest over the seating of the 25 delegates from Georgia. The committee will set upon these in connection with its work making a temporary roll and contests may be added to the credentials committee and given to the floor of the House.

Walsh For Chairmanship.

Among the delegates here United States Senator Thomas J. Walsh, of Montana, was being mentioned for permanent chairman of the convention, a position in connection with which the name of Bainbridge Colby, Secretary of State, has been frequently heard.

"No documents have been filed in behalf of Senator Reed," said Mr. Cummings, "but a large number of telegrams of protest received from Missouri assure a contest in case credentials are filed for him."

Reed Contest Looms Up.

Party leaders assumed that Senator Reed's case will rest upon the contention that the Missouri State convention's action in referring the selection of Mr. Reed as a delegate back to the Fifth district convention makes the re-naming of Reed by the district convention mandatory. The Senator's opponents will hold, it is said, that the State convention's rejection of Reed by a decisive vote should govern and that the alternate named by the district and ratified by the State body should be seated.

May Abandon Majority Rule.

There was a possibility of abandoning the requirement for a two-thirds majority in the convention to nominate a candidate and of the unit rule, by which a State's ballots are voted en bloc. Mr. Cummings said the two-thirds majority was an "ancient party custom" that could be overturned only by specific affirmative vote. The unit rule depends upon the instructions given each State delegation.

"The national committee's meetings will be open, to begin with, at least," Mr. Cummings said, "although the body may vote to go into executive session at any time."

Credentials and a demand for recognition of two delegates to the Democratic national convention were received here from the Canal zone. This, it is said, will present a new problem, in that the status of the zone differs from that of the States and of such territories as Hawaii, Porto Rico and others which are given representation in the convention.

SUFFRAGISTS ARE IN FINE SPIRITS

Meeting of Raleigh Branch Hears Reports On Progress of Campaign

A meeting of the Raleigh branch of the Equal Suffrage League was held yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock in the Woman's Club, Miss Elsie Biddick presiding. Encouraging reports in regard to the progress of the campaign for ratification of the Constitution in this immediate vicinity were heard from precinct leaders, Mrs. Arthur Holding, Mrs. Kenneth Gant, and Mrs. Clarence Shore.

Mrs. Clarence Shore also read a paper dealing with the origin of the two great political parties in this country, tracing them from their origin in the struggle attending ratification of the Constitution in 1787 down through their various changes and vicissitudes until the present day. This paper by Mrs. Shore was a part of the course in Citizenship which the League is conducting, and which is continuing without interruption even during these heated and stirring days.

The League voted unanimously to present to Mrs. T. Palmer Jerman, now en route to San Francisco as associate member of the Democratic National Executive Committee in place of Miss Mary Graham, a round trip ticket to and from the convention as an evidence of their appreciation of the fine work which Mrs. Jerman has accomplished in promoting the suffrage campaign in North Carolina—and of confidence in her able leadership as Chairman of the State Ratification Committee.

The tone of the meeting was enthusiastic and cheerful, not to say joyous.

TO MEET AT ASHEVILLE

One of Most Important Matters To Be Discussed Is Shortage of Fuel

Asheville, N. C. June 21.—Among the most important questions which will occupy the time and attention of the North Carolina Cotton Manufacturers Association which meets at the Battery Park hotel Friday and Saturday, will be the coal shortage, prospects of which give textile manufacturers throughout the State cause for apprehension.

Many of the mills, in order to keep running, have sent individual buyers to the mines. They are unable to secure contracts from the operators, and many mills are running on coal picked up at the mines by individual buyers. All of the mills are faced with the fact that they cannot make contracts for next fall and winter, and they are much disturbed over this condition.

To make matters more complicated, the mill men do not know where to turn for relief. They are uncertain whether to ask the government's help, deal with the operators direct, or try some new plan. These three questions are being revolved in the minds of far-sighted manufacturers, while their coal stocks dwindle, and the outlook for a supply this coming fall and winter grows more foggy.

The mill men asked E. S. Parker, of Burlington, who has done much legal work for the mills, to lay the subject before the convention here this week. Mr. Parker is expected to tell of conditions as they exist, and also to offer some helpful suggestions on how the situation may be reached.

SIX KILLED IN APARTMENT HOUSE FIRE AT VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, B. C., June 21.—Six persons were killed and several injured in a fire that destroyed the Halmoral apartments in a fashionable part of the city at midnight last night.

M'COMBS WAYS PRESIDENT

Says Mr. Wilson Has No Right To Call Himself Leader of The Democrats

IS AGAINST LEAGUE AS BROUGHT FROM PARIS

Former Chairman of The Democratic National Committee Says League Issue Is Not One For a Political Campaign; Predicts Return To True Democracy at Frisco

Chicago, June 21.—Wm. M. McCombs, chairman of the Democratic National committee from 1912 to 1916, and manager of President Wilson's 1912 campaign, issued a statement here tonight before leaving for San Francisco attacking what he characterized as the President's autocratic assumption of authority.

President Wilson, he said, has no more right to call himself leader of the Democratic party, a "conception heretofore never entertained by any American," than has Chief Justice White, former Speaker Champ Clark, or Vice President Thomas E. Marshall.

Mr. McCombs announced that arrangements had been made to obtain for him a seat in the New York delegation if he decides to take the floor at San Francisco. The New York delegation, he predicted, will throw its support to Governor James M. Cox, of Ohio, after casting a complimentary vote for Governor Smith. He added that he believed a westerner, possibly from the Pacific slope, will be nominated for vice-president.

Statement of McCombs.

"They tell me that America has pledged its word to Europe and that this word must be redeemed in the process of a national campaign. In my belief America has pledged itself to nothing. One individual, speaking as such, permitted Europe to believe that he spoke for a nation, for in the last analysis he was nothing more than a self-appointed emissary. Nevertheless, America is asked to validate this signature affixed abroad, a signature which apparently was accepted in good faith by all the European peoples as absolute."

"The President negotiates a treaty, but the Senate may or may not ratify it by a two-thirds majority. In this particular instance there has been no concurrence."

Doesn't Want League.

"Other nations may want a League of Nations and it may be that we do. But we do not want to commit ourselves to the League of Nations as it was brought back from Paris. It is an international issue, but it is a highly debatable question as to what importance it should have in a national campaign. Ultimately it is a question for the President and the Senate to settle."

The statement then declares for reconstruction at home, rehabilitation of railway and internal waterway transportation and for solution of the high cost-of-living, "wholly apart from any international affiliations." The statement continues:

"When the great war broke out in 1914, naturally America was more or less laxed, and was willing to accept any kind of leadership which might draw it through a possible difficulty. In this moment the chief executive again repeated that he was the leader of his party, a conception heretofore never entertained by an American. As well might the chief justice of the United States, Mr. White, a Democrat, have made the same proclamation. So might the speaker of the House of Representatives, Champ Clark. So might the Vice President, Mr. Marshall, constitutional president of the Senate. But America was concerned with great issues, and paid no attention to what appeared to be a detail."

Autocracy Into Being.

"It was in such manner that for the first time in the history of this country autocracy came into being. It was an autocracy which was questioned, but which was accepted by virtue of necessity."

"But this unhappy hour has passed, and at San Francisco we again return to true Democracy regardless of place holders and pot hunters. We have finished with the fine phrases. This country is determined to act in accordance with its unflinching sense of justice. The indignities of autocracy will never again be accepted by this nation. This is fundamental and no confusion will be brought about by diplomatic or financial machinations."

MAN CRUSHED TO DEATH UNDER LOAD OF TAN BARK

Boone, N. C. June 21.—John Keller, whose home is six miles of this place, was killed today when he was caught under a wagon loaded with tan bark. Keller was pinioned under the vehicle in some manner when it overturned. He had been dead several hours before the body was found.

EARTH SHOCK AT LOS ANGELES DOES DAMAGE

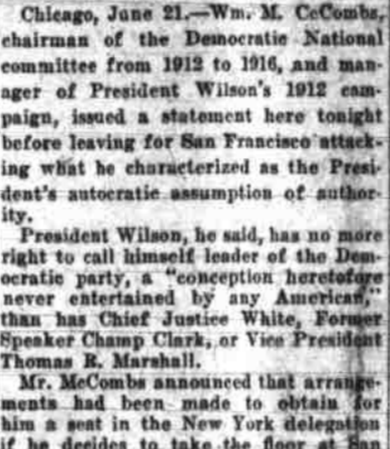
Los Angeles, Cal., June 21.—An earthquake shook the city at 8:47 p. m. Several buildings were reported to have been slightly damaged. Bricks falling from a building at Sixth street and Grand avenue injured a pedestrian. Office buildings were shaken so severely that many of their occupants fled from them. The shock was felt in Long Beach, San Pedro, Santa Monica and Redondo Beach, according to reports to the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Company. Whittier, Covina and other international and port points reported they had not noticed the quake. A slight earth tremor was felt here Friday morning.

WIFE OF THE AMERICAN CONSUL DECORATES LUSITANIA GRAVES

Photographs Do More To Confound Critics Than Anything Since Last Fall

SHOW EXECUTIVE TO BE FAR FROM "A SICK MAN"

Sweeping Reaction To Wave of Abuse and Vilification Begun Last September May Have Started; Talk of President's Nomination at San Francisco Comes Back



Above photograph shows Mrs. McAndrew, wife of the American Consul, placing a floral wreath in the Queensboro cemetery as a tribute to the American victims of the Lusitania disaster.

Washington, D. C., June 21.—The appearance in Washington today of a series of photographs of President Wilson, made Saturday has done more to once again confound Mr. Wilson's critics, and incidentally to revive third term talk, than any single thing that has happened since the President came back last fall from his League of Nations speaking tour. "A very sick man," Cynnes and the doubting Thomases have spent much time looking at the new pictures, some of which adorn various club rooms in the city. It is most interesting to observe the variety of approach and the subsequent scrutiny of those who may be classified as political friends and political enemies of the President.

The Wilsonians, on the whole, take one good look at the series and turn to say:

"Gee, fine pictures, aren't they? I'll say the old boy looks good."

Then an anti-Wilson creature gives the photographs the double O, puts his hand on each separate photograph so as to hide all the face but the eyes and with visible affection, remarks in a semi-whisper:

"I don't like the looks of these eyes, do you?"

If a Republican, quite naturally he doesn't, and the person inquired of usually answers according to his own sympathies in the matter.

Has Made Wonderful Improvement.

But the general verdict is that the President has made wonderful improvement and, in his own words, is "coming around in good shape and could do a lot more things if Doctor Grayson and Mrs. Wilson would look the other way once in a while."

The pictures shown today were made by a leading commercial photographer of Washington and, with one or two exceptions, were made with the President unaided of his pose. Compared with pictures made before he was forced to abandon his western trip, the pictures shown here today differ but little, and when the manifest consequences of long confinement are taken into account, his features appear amazingly normal. That the likenesses appearing today furnish a complete and final refutation of the many slanders that have been circulated about his being "paralyzed completely," his face "terribly drawn," "his left arm useless," some of his critics admit. One picture shows him signing his mail with his right hand and his left in use to hold the paper still.

Start Possibly Big Reaction.

Coming within a few days of the Selbold interview in the New York World, they have started what may develop into the most sweeping reaction to a wave of abuse and vilification begun last September ever known in history. The bare possibility now that he may be nominated at San Francisco justifies the suggestion. The more intimate friends of the Wilson administration who have consistently scoffed at the scandal-mongers' talk are getting chummy and appear as much "set-up" as a track field who had bet on a filly that stumbled in the last heat and then crossed the barrier a few necks ahead.

Another political enemy that without significance in the reception that Washington movie and vaudeville patrons are according the recent news films of the Republican convention and the advance films of the San Francisco gathering. Four months ago any picture of a two by four critic of the administration elicited, as many Congressmen insert in their proof reading of their own speeches, "prolonged applause."

In two of the leading movie houses of Washington, pictures of Senator Harding and Governor Coolidge shown in the last few days have gotten only scattering applause.

Cummings Picture Loudly Applauded.

At one theatre last night a picture of Homer Cummings, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, drew about three times as much applause as did one exhibited a few minutes before of Senator Harding "leaving the Senate with a group of advisers," said advisers being members of the Senate group.

Washingtonians, of course, don't vote—at least the majority of them don't—but in season and out of season they talk politics and act politics. It is, therefore, of more than passing note that here in the national capital, where in the closing months of the Democratic administration the inherent desire of local folk to see "the other crowd" take a hand in things the sentiment has changed from violent antagonism to a massed state of coma with all eyes anxiously turned to San Francisco.

The third term talk of the last few days has grown from "he might be a candidate" to "he can mop up with that gang if they'll nominate him." It may be premature, but on the surface now it appears that Washington is but reflecting a nation wide pride in rooting for the man who looks like he can come back.

Pritchard Calls On Harding.

Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, of Asheville, was here today and was numbered among those who called at Senator Harding's residence.

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LYNCH NEGRO AT SCENE OF CRIME

Slayer of Young Lady in Georgia Caught After a Week's Chase

Savannah, Ga., June 21.—Chased by infuriated citizens and officers of three counties and track hounds for the last week, Phillip Gathers, the negro slayer of Miss Anna Jaudon, near Rincon, in Effingham county, ten days ago, was captured this morning near Stillson, in Bulloch county, returned to the scene of his crime near Rincon, and lynched.

When the capture was effected and it became known that the mob would take the prisoner to Rincon to put him to death, the news spread over adjoining counties and hundreds of people reached the scene to witness the execution.

The negro is said to have acknowledged his guilt as he was being carried through the country in an automobile. Arriving at the point where the body of his victim was found, he was chained to a sapling, gasoline poured over him and a match applied. As the flames enveloped his body he made a powerful lunge, breaking away from the tree. At that moment hundreds of shots were sent into his body.

Gathers went to the home of Buck Stevens, a negro, living near Stillson, this morning and asked for something to eat. He was given food and Stevens notified the authorities. Gathers was taken as he was making for the woods. The crime charged to Gathers was the brutal murder of Miss Anna Jaudon, 17 years of age, who had been in Savannah with her sister and was returning home for the week-end. Finding no one at the station to meet her, she started to walk the two miles to her father's home.

Her father telephoned to Savannah Monday to learn why she had not come. He was told she had taken the train for home Friday, and a search was instituted. The body was found in the woods near the road within five hundred yards of the home. The threat and arms were bruised and the skull crushed. Tracks in the mud on the roadside indicated a struggle.

Gathers was missing from his home. He had not been seen since Friday. Circumstances pointed to his guilt. For a week he evaded posse, officers and hounds, dodging out of swamps to procure food and disappearing again. The brutality of the crime and the long continuous chase had so frenzied the people that there was but scant hope that Gathers would ever reach a jail.

The crowd that witnessed and participated in the lynching dispersed immediately after the negro was killed, many persons carrying with them souvenirs. Late comers gathered about the place and discussed the crime, class and lynching, but there was no disorder.

One man, H. J. Hettricks, a contractor of Oliver, Ga., was accidentally shot in the leg by a stray bullet.

SMITHFIELD CITIZEN KILLED BY LIVE WIRE

Was Attempting To Remove Wire From Street Blown Down During Storm

Smithfield, June 21.—Mr. A. N. Lee, of this place, was instantly killed yesterday when he came in contact with a live wire blown down during a heavy electrical and rain storm. Mr. James Lewis, a local café man, who attempted to release Mr. Lee, was knocked several feet, but not seriously injured.

Mr. Lee attempted to remove a telephone wire which was barring traffic. The telephone wire had fallen across an electric power line charged with 2,900 volts, and when Mr. Lee touched it he was instantly electrocuted, the fingers of his hand being burned off.

The deceased was a son of Mr. Julius A. Lee, of Ingram's township, and had made his residence in Smithfield for a number of years. The funeral will probably be held here tomorrow.

COLBY LEAVES FOR BIG CONVENTION

Thinks Some Allusion Will Be Made To League of Nations; For Unamended Treaty

Washington, June 21.—Secretary of State Bainbridge Colby was questioned after the afternoon session with the newspaper correspondents at the State Department today as to when he was leaving for San Francisco.

He said: "I am leaving at midnight, taking the Twentieth Century limited from New York tomorrow and intend to travel to San Francisco without stop."

He was asked if there was anything he would say as to what was to take place in San Francisco and replied:

"The convention is going to meet in a serious and amiable temper to discuss matters of the highest moment."

"What matters?" Mr. Colby was asked. "Well," he replied, "I think some allusion will be made to the Versailles treaty and the League of Nations, and I may say to you that I am in favor of the League of Nations and the ratification of the Versailles treaty."

"With or without reservations?" said one of the correspondents.

"Without any reservations, certainly, that are nullifying," said Mr. Colby, "and I don't believe that the document requires any interpretative reservations. The document, in other words, is so clear that interpretative reservations, if reservations or paraphrases will clarify, there is no objection to them, but reservations which nullify the main purpose of the league and negative the substance of the covenant, are things which no man, solicited about America's honor can take into his reckoning."

EXPECT RECORD CROWD FOR SUMMER SCHOOL

(Special to the News and Observer.)

Chapel Hill, June 21.—Director N. W. Walker, of the University of North Carolina summer school, is expecting for the session which starts June 22 the largest crowd of students which has ever been in Chapel Hill in the summer time. Every available room of the campus and in town has been taken and approximately 400 teachers have been refused admission solely because there was no room for them.

Registration will begin June 22 and will continue through June 23. The first classes will begin Thursday, June 24. Friday night, June 25, the formal opening exercises will be held, with President Chase making the principal address. The following night the first general reception for summer school students will be held in Bynum gymnasium.

BIG TEXTILE DEAL IS CLOSED AT SALISBURY

Salisbury, June 21.—A big textile deal was consummated here today when the Yadin Finishing Company was sold to B. L. Mahaley, of Salisbury, who already was interested in the property. The mill is about a half million dollar plant and is located about six miles north of Salisbury and is the only concern of its kind in this section of the country.

GREENVILLE, N. C., CENSUS FIGURES GIVEN AS 5,772

Washington, June 21.—Greenville, North Carolina, showed an increase in population during the last decade of 40.7 per cent, according to figures given out by the Census Bureau today. Greenville's census figures are 5,772, an increase in number of persons of 1,671.