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NATIONAL COMMITTEE MAKING FINAL PLANS

Fight On Temporary Chairmanship Probably Will Be Carried to Floor of the Convention Notwithstanding Action of Committee

STATE CAUCUSES ARE BEING HELD

Decks Being Cleared for Meeting of The Democratic Convention Tomorrow—Meeting of Full National Committee Today to Settle Contests, Temporary Chairmanship and Other Preliminary Details—Chairmanship Fight Continues to be of Absorbing Interest And There Seems to be No Prospect of a Compromise—Bryan Offered Permanent Chairmanship On Condition That He Withdraw Opposition to Parker.



ALTON B. PARKER.

Of New York, defeated democratic presidential nominee of 1904, who has been chosen temporary chairman of the democratic national convention, which convenes, June 25, at Baltimore.

resolutions and rules. One of the most important caucuses will be by the New York delegation. The New York progressives claim they have fifteen to twenty votes among that state's ninety. No question has been reached about the binding force of the unit rule. Upon the fact that Norman Mack, New York's member of the national committee, supported Parker for temporary chairman, the Clark men base their hope that New York's ninety votes will be cast for their candidate. New York leaders gave no other intimation of what candidate they will support. Of the other pivotal states, Illinois and Indiana, the delegates from the former may discuss at the caucus in what direction they shall swing, if the voting goes beyond the first ballot, and they consider themselves released from their instructions for Clark. The Indiana delegates, instructed for Marshall, also may decide upon a second choice.

Leaders Trying to Harmonize.

Baltimore, June 24.—The democratic national committee at 2:15 this afternoon appointed a committee of two, Chairman Mack and Committeeman P. L. Hall, of Nebraska, to confer with William Jennings Bryan and Alton B. Parker, and their leaders, with the view of preventing a fight on the convention floor over selecting the temporary chairman. The committee then adjourned until seven o'clock tonight.

Getting Ready.

Baltimore, June 24.—Decks will be cleared today for the democratic national convention, which assembles tomorrow in the fifth regiment armory. The national committee will consider the contested delegates, prepare a temporary roll call, and select a temporary chairman to preside at the convention's preliminary deliberations.

The various states will caucus to choose representatives on the convention committees, and those where the unit rule prevails and where the delegations have not already been instructed by primaries will consider what candidates they will support for the presidential nomination.

The struggle over the temporary chairmanship overshadowed every other issue today. Efforts to converge the views of the progressives and conservatives failed last night, and William J. Bryan's declaration of progressive principles sharply defined the issues. Bryan's assertion that he would support no one but a progressive for the chairmanship and that Alton B. Parker, the choice of the sub-committee on arrangements, did not meet this requirement, seemed to leave little hope of agreement today, unless the Clark men accepted some other candidate. Bryan and his supporters announced no candidate, but realizing the necessity of concentrating upon some one man, if they hoped to defeat Parker, they continued their conferences this morning with this end in view. Senator Kern and Senator-elect Ollie Jones are most prominently mentioned in this connection.

State Caucuses Today. Those states where a new national committee has not been chosen by the primaries will today fill this office in the party organization. The caucuses will name the representatives of each state on the three convention committees: Organization,

with local rains. The precipitation during the week will be light and local. It is not probable that a well-defined barometric depression will cross the country during the week.

TAKE PULLMAN FOR ONE WEEK

Large Party Leaves Raleigh For the Baltimore Convention

A special carload of Raleigh people, with a few persons from other sections, left this afternoon over the Seaboard for Baltimore to attend the convention. There was not a man in the party who, after expressing the opinion that his candidate would be nominated, was not willing to affirm that he knew nothing about it. Nobody knows who will be the choice of the democrats. The Raleigh men have chartered a Pullman for a week and will sleep in it at night, not trusting to chance in the matter of hotel accommodations.

Among those leaving were: W. B. Jones, M. A. Griffin, R. B. Whitley, Sheriff Sears, C. M. Griffin of Spring Hope; W. S. West, H. E. Glenn, Dan Allen, Bryant Harrison, George Harden, C. A. Johnson, D. H. McCullers of Clayton, John W. Hindsdale, Jr., J. Sherwood Upchurch, Ed Chappel, A. M. Maupin, W. W. Willson, Chas. U. Harris, A. S. White, Russell Uzzie, Ed Hugh Lee, J. M. McTary, John C. Drewry, Horace Dowell, C. D. Arthur, Rufus Boylan and Willis Holding.

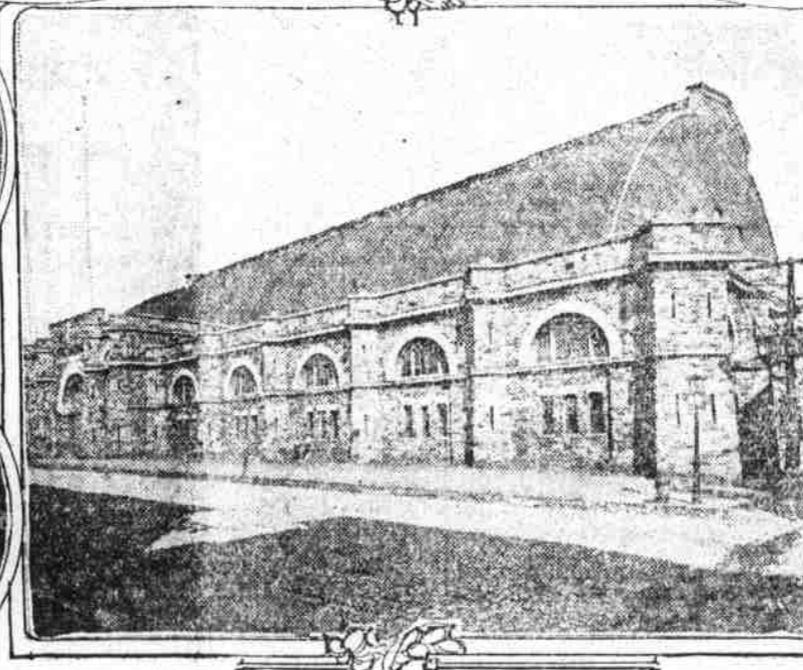
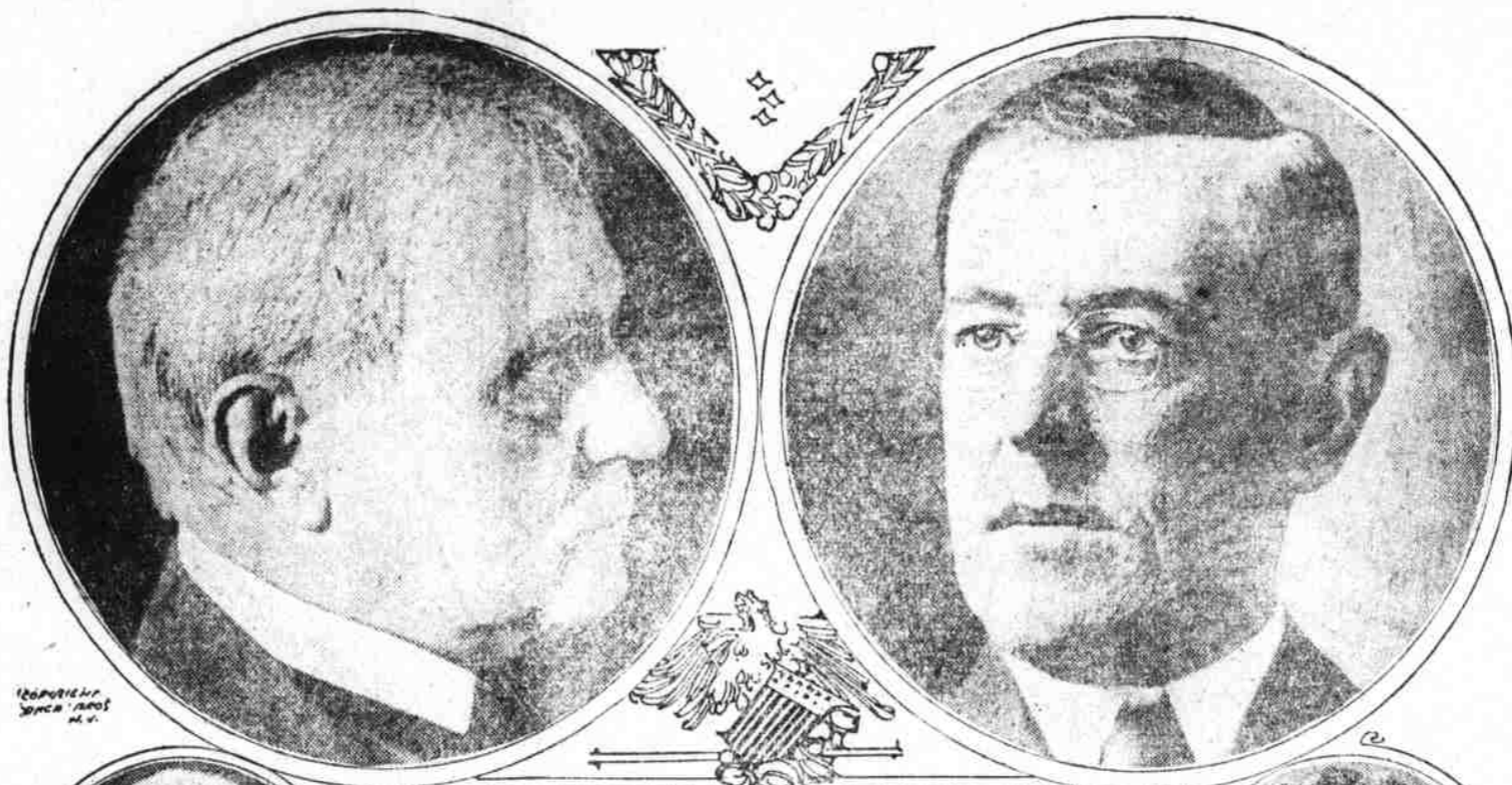
The delegates from this state left earlier.

Shipwrecked Sailors Safe.

New York, June 24.—The Norwegian steamer Madeironse, arrived from Kingston today, bringing Captain Chase and six shipwrecked seamen of the schooner Boesner abandoned at sea, June 9, off Hatteras, and was later towed here by the destroyer Seneca.

Weather Bureau Bulletin.

Washington, June 24.—The pressure distribution over the American continent and adjacent oceans is such as to indicate that the coming week will be one of warm and generally fair weather over the northern and middle states east of the Rocky Mountains, while in the southern states and generally west of the Rocky Mountains, temperatures will average near the normal.



DEMOCRATS SUCCEED REPUBLICANS IN POLITICAL LIME LIGHT

Most talked of candidates for the democratic presidential nomination and the armory, at Baltimore, where the democratic national convention will convene June 25. Reading from top to bottom, on the left side are: Champ Clark, of Missouri, speaker of the United States house of representatives; Judson Harmon, governor of Ohio, and William Gaynor, mayor of New York city. On the right side, from top to bottom, Woodrow Wilson, governor of New Jersey; Oscar W. Underwood, U. S. representative from Alabama and democratic leader in the house, and William Jennings Bryan, of Lincoln, Nebraska.

PARKER ACCEPTS

Judge Refuses to Comment on Bryan's Opposition to Him.

Rochester, N. Y., June 25.—Judge Alton B. Parker, named as temporary chairman of the democratic convention was shown a copy of the message that William J. Bryan had wired to prominent democrats throughout the country. Judge Parker read the message through carefully.

"It is very interesting," he said at length. He scanned the names of the governors to whom the message, advocating the rejection of Judge Parker and selection as temporary chairman of some progressive candidates to the presidential nomination had been sent. He read the names of Governors Wilson, Burke, Foss, Baldwin and Mayor Gaynor.

"It is very interesting," he repeated, "but I have no comment to offer. It has been my policy to remain silent for the past few months."

He mentioned, however, that he planned to begin work on his address as temporary chairman on the New York train last night.

SAD TRAGEDY WAS ENACTED

Clifton Betts Dies at Hands of Brother, Levern Betts

PROBABLY ACCIDENTAL

Boy Claims That He Was on Lounge Trimming Finger Nails When Brother Engaged Him in Play. During Which Clifton Fell on Knife Blade—Before Dying Clifton Tells Raymond Betts, Another Brother, That It Was Accidental—Much Sympathy for Mother and Brothers—Funeral This Afternoon.

Levern Betts, the 15-year-old son of C. J. Betts, who lives at 213 North Boylan avenue, caused the death yesterday afternoon of his brother, Clifton Betts, a knife blade being the instrument. Chief of Police Stell, after a thorough investigation, said today that from all he could learn it seemed that the killing was not intentional, and this seems to be the opinion of others familiar with the circumstances.

The preliminary hearing will probably be held tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock.

According to the boy he was sitting on the lounge in the front hall yesterday trimming his finger nails with a pocket knife when his brother came down stairs and began playing with him. In the scuffle that ensued the older brother fell upon the knife point, the blade entering near the heart and causing death an hour later. Clifton Betts was 21 years old and was a pressman in the employ of E. M. Uzzell & Company.

Raymond Betts, a married brother, was on the scene less than a minute after the tragedy. The mother was in the room and probably saw it, but she was so overcome as to be unable to tell anything about it. Raymond Betts had just entered the porch when Clifton raised up and cried, "Oh, Lord, I am dying," and requested that a doctor be sent for. Raymond then sent Levern to his home, where the boy remained until Chief of Police Stell and Officer Harboer arrived.

MR. MONTAGUE TO BUILD BLOCK

Well Known Business Man to Erect a Number of Stores

At the annual meeting of the chamber of commerce, Secretary Ollie Jones announced that a well-known resident of Raleigh would soon build a block of six stores. He now says that the gentleman in question is R. P. Montague, Esq., and the building will be at the corner of 137 Hargett and South Blount streets. The architect is J. M. Kennerly. The dimensions of the structure are 115 feet on East Hargett and 75 feet on South Blount. There will be a basement of the full dimensions, with concrete floors and stairs, and the building will have two floors.

MRS. THAW FEARS FOR HER OWN LIFE

White Plains, N. Y., June 24.—"I don't intend to have Thaw come out and shoot me next," Evelyn Thaw told the court when the hearing was resumed before Justice Keogh, of Harry Thaw's efforts for release from Matteawan. Evelyn appeared as chief witness against her husband. Her startling declaration of fear that Harry would kill her if he emerged from the insane asylum came after persistent probing by Thaw's lawyer, who tried to make Evelyn tell that Dr. Flint told her to testify in a hesitating manner at the 1909 hearing. Evelyn parried counsel for awhile, then retaliated with her statement that she held Thaw's release in terror. Earlier she admitted that at Thaw's first trial in 1907 she testified that Thaw was sane.

—Mr. John Haywood, of Montgomery, Ala., is on a visit to Mrs. Burke Haywood.

SEVERAL DROWNED WHEN DOCK COLLAPSED

Buffalo, June 24.—Five bodies and a list of eighteen missing persons were brought here by the medical examiner from the scene of last night's disaster at Eagle Park, ten miles below Buffalo, where over a hundred people were thrown into the Niagara river by the collapse of an excursion dock. There is little doubt that the death list will reach twenty. The excursionists were members and friends of Court Amherst Lodge, Foresters of America, on an annual outing. The steamers were warped into the dock to take on the passengers for the return trip, when the crowd gathered on the dock. It is believed the boats contributed to the dock's collapse by striking it.

Up to noon sixteen bodies had been recovered from the Niagara river near the scene of last night's dock tragedy. The official list of the identified dead and missing reached thirty.

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T. R. TO SEEK A SHORT REST

Then Will Begin the Perfection of His New Organization, Johnson Chairman

END OF STRUGGLE FOR NOMINATION

The Republican Fight at Chicago Resulted in Definite Split, the Roosevelt Delegates Not Voting to Any Extent in the Balloting for Nomination—The Roosevelt People Held Meeting, Nominating Him, and Held Another Meeting Yesterday to Boost the New Party—Taft Makes Statement—Judge Lindsey Going to Baltimore to Sound Sentiment.

Chicago, Ill., June 24.—Theodore Roosevelt planned to leave for Oyster Bay today, where he announced he would seek rest, and then take up the work of the further perfection of a non-partisan political body, which he will lead. Governor Johnson, of California, chairman of the new organization, also prepared to depart today. Johnson was authorized to draw up a plan for permanent organization, but announced that his appointments would not be made public for several days.

Judge Lindsey, of Denver, announced that he would go to Baltimore during the democratic convention to sound the democratic leaders regarding a new party.

New National Committee Meets. Chicago, June 24.—Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, was chosen temporary chairman of the new republican national committee when that body convened in executive session. Alvirah H. Martin, of Virginia, was made temporary secretary. A committee of nine was named to confer with President Taft at Washington, regarding his wishes as to naming the chairman and the conduct of the approaching campaign.

The Closing Scenes. Convention Hall, Chicago, June 24.—With nearly 350 of the Roosevelt delegates declining to vote and hastening away at adjournment time to tender to Col. Theodore Roosevelt the nomination of a new party the fifteenth republican national convention at the end of a long and tumultuous session Saturday night renominated William Howard Taft of Ohio for president, and James Schoelcraft Sherman of New York, for vice president.

President Taft received 561 of the 1,087 votes in the convention, or 21 more than a majority. The decision of the Roosevelt people, under direction of their leader, to refrain from voting, left no other candidate. The announcement of the Taft victory was greeted with cheering from his adherents and groans and hisses from the opposition.

When it became absolutely certain early Saturday that Mr. Taft would be nominated without great difficulty, the leaders in control of the convention decided to give him as a running mate his companion on the ticket in 1908.

The Roosevelt Meeting. Chicago, June 24.—Former President Theodore Roosevelt was nominated (Continued on Page Two.)

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