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### THE CONVENTION MAY NOMINATE TONIGHT

#### The Delegates Seem to Be at Sea Over the Probable Nominee With Belief That Fight Lies Between Wilson, Clark and Bryan

### THE DARK HORSE TALK DECREASING

#### Name of Nominee May Be Known Sometime Tonight if Selection Can Be Made Without Too Many Balloons—Wilson People More Hopeful Today Than They Have Yet Been, Because of Victory Last Night—Clark People Show Some Resentment—Fight on Credentials Committee Report—Platform Committee Having Easy Time.

Baltimore, June 27.—Before the adjournment of the third day's session of the democratic national convention, beginning at noon, the names of the party's standard bearer in the presidential contest will be known. Nominating speeches will be in order this afternoon probably, and as a reasonable time will be put on the flow of oratory the balloting should begin this evening. Political wisecracks, familiar with the situation, believed the convention might continue voting until a choice was made, requiring a session extending well into the night. Many leaders though thought it probably that a recess would follow the first or second ballot to permit conferences looking to the withdrawal of candidates showing the least strength. Woodrow Wilson's friends approached the crucial test with greater confidence than they have yet manifested. They regarded the overthrowing of the unit rule by the convention last night, though the coalition of the Bryan and Wilson forces, as significant of the final outcome. The Clark followers apparently think Bryan has turned against the speaker, for they show some feeling because of the Nebraska's strength was lined up with the Wilson crowd on the vote last night. Up to the actual opening of the present convention Bryan treated both Clark and Wilson on equal terms as progressives. If Bryan has determined to wage his fight for progressive principles with Wilson as his candidate, he has not made it known. The credentials committee report was the pending business before the convention today. Confusion in hall compelled adjournment last night before the minority report could be read and the matter was deferred until today. Encouraged by their success last night, the Wilson forces were prepared to fight the majority seating ten Clark delegates from South Dakota over ten Wilson delegates.

#### Platform Committee Taking Time.

The change in the order of business in placing the adoption of the

platform after the nomination of the ticket, made the resolution committee's work comparatively easy. Instead of an all night session, the committee found itself able to adjourn last night at a reasonable hour, with another day before it within which to shape the platform. Some of the big matters the committee is wrestling with were turned over to a sub-committee to work out. Bryan is "sawing wood." It is planned to fit the platform to the ticket. Bryan made it plain to the committee that the platform should be one which the progressives could stand on consistently.

There has been little gossip thus far on the vice-presidency. Probably on serious attention will be given to the running mate for the standard bearer until the latter has been selected. Today's developments are expected to clear the situation materially. Some predicted the convention would ballot for several days on the presidency but this is improbable.

#### Delegates Slow.

The delegates were slow arising after the midnight session. The galleries gradually filled, with the prospects of a large crowd as struggle over the nomination drew near. Mrs. Taft, the president's wife, took a seat in one of the boxes immediately flanking the platform. The convention floor presented a scene of great animation as the hour for the opening approached, the delegations filling their seats, the aisles choked, the gallees fast augmenting, and the band sending forth familiar melodies.

#### Delegates at Sea.

As the delegates poured into the hall, they appeared as much at sea as ever over the probable nominee. Various boomers were ready to start demonstrations and smother demonstrations. It seemed certain that the delays would be such as to throw the actual balloting late into the evening. All sorts of rumors were afloat about deals and combinations, but not one of these seemed to have a trustworthy foundation. Wilson's supporters, encouraged by the so-called "Wilson-Bryan" victory last night, in the fight for the abrogation of the unit rule, claimed that Wilson would sweep the convention today and secure the nomination. They expressed the hope that Bryan might be induced to come out squarely for Wilson, and felt if this could be brought about that ultimate victory was certain.

This morning there was renewed talk of Bryan as the nominee, some so-called conservatives being quoted as saying so long as the naming of a progressive seemed inevitable, it might be just as well to have Bryan lead the fight for the fourth time. Some of Bryan's friends indicated the Nebraska was apparently content with the position he now occupied in the convention, the right to name the candidate being all but conceded to him.

Clark's supporters were claiming the nomination with as much outward confidence as ever as they gathered for the day's session. The speaker's headquarters gave out a statement that "there has been no defection from the Clark ranks."

"Dark horse" talk decreased today. The consensus of opinion appears to be that the fight lies between the supporters of Wilson, Clark and Bryan. Bryan had not committed himself on the presidency in anyway up to the time the convention met.

**Convention Opens.**  
There was much noise and confusion in the auditorium during the wait for the proceedings to begin. The band continued a lively racket. "Dixie" was played many times, and brought forth cheers. For the first time during the convention the band struck up "Tammam." It was both hissed and cheered. For the first time since the convention opened every seat on the floor and galleries was filled. The big galleries at each end of the hall were masses of fluttering fans. Chairman Parker reached the platform at twelve-ten and conferred with Parliamentarian Crisp, and Senator John Sharp Williams, leader of the Wilson-Bryan forces. The galleries and floor stood while the band played the "Star Spangled Banner."

**The Dakota Case.**  
The chairman began pounding for order at 12:45 and five minutes later Rabbi Guttmacher delivered the opening prayer. The convention plunged into the South Dakota contest. R. S. Morris, of Pennsylvania, submitted the minority report that majority report. Frequent cheers greeted Clark's name during the discussion.

Delegate Crane, of Texas, spoke for the minority report. Former Governor Blanchard, of Louisiana, defended the majority report on the South Dakota contests. A nervous



### THE PLATFORM PROGRESSIVE

#### Is Being Written By Bryan and O'Gorman and They Report Tonight

Baltimore, June 27.—Bryan and O'Gorman will write the platform of the convention. When the working sub-committee of the resolutions committee met the members found themselves without a platform draft of sufficient cohesiveness for a form for the committee's operations. The conclusion was reached to appoint a second sub-committee to prepare a draft for the convenience of the sub-committee and later the full committee. Bryan and O'Gorman were designated to perform that service. The sub-committee adjourned to reconvene at four o'clock. The full committee meets at seven tonight. The subcommittee progressed so far as to justify the conclusion by its members that it will be prepared to present a fairly complete platform at seven o'clock.

Bryan and O'Gorman went to work immediately and to thrash the platform into shape, they turned one of the committee rooms into a work-shop, giving strict orders that there would be neither coming in or going out while they were at work. Two stalwart guards were placed at their door. Before beginning work Bryan told some of his friends the platform would be "an essentially progressive document."

Episcopal stress will be laid on the tariff which will declare for a tariff for revenue only. The party will be pledged to continue its work in downward revision of the tariff schedules.

#### Many Visitors See Bryan.

Baltimore, June 27.—Bryan's presence at the resolution's committee meetings this morning was delayed by the crush of visitors at his hotel. Collarless and coatless, the Nebraska was surrounded in his rooms and given an enthusiastic reception. "Is there anything you can do for us?" inquired the newspaper men. "There will be something produced hourly and daily," replied Bryan. "Now I can't say anything more. I've been so busy fighting bosses I haven't had time to shave."

#### Mrs. Taft Goes to Convention.

Washington, June 27.—Mrs. William H. Taft went to Baltimore today to see the democratic convention choose the man who will oppose her husband for the presidency. Mrs. Taft, accompanied by a woman friend, went by train. Seats were reserved for them in the convention hall.

#### Farmer Killed by Bees.

Parkersburg, W. Va., June 27.—Drury B. Badgley, a wealthy farmer, was attacked by a swarm of bees, which settled in his hair and beard and stung him to death before medical aid reached him.

Mrs. C. A. Goodwin left today for Bluefields, W. Va., to visit her

### BANKERS CONVENE

#### President Braswell of Rocky Mount Makes Annual Address.

(Special to The Times.)

Morehead City, June 27.—Two hundred bankers hailing from almost every county in the state a number having come from beyond the Blue Ridge are here to attend the sixteenth annual convention of the North Carolina Bankers' Association, the first session of which was held in the assembly hall of the Atlantic hotel last night. In keeping with a custom that is as old as the organization itself the meeting this year is held on the sea coast, the convention last year having been held in the mountains of the western part of the state.

President J. C. Braswell, of Rocky Mount called the meeting to order promptly at 8 o'clock and after the invocation by Rev. Euclid McWhorter of the Morehead Methodist church the address of welcome on behalf of the city was made by W. L. Arendell which was responded to by W. S. Blakeney, president of the Bank of Union, Monroe.

President Braswell's annual address which followed was easily the feature of the opening session and evoked wide discussion by reason of the many reforms which the speaker sponsored and several suggestions which he outlined.

#### ADVISED TO CHASE LIONS

#### Will Probably Take African Hunting Trip Similar to That of T. R.

Atlanta, June 27.—Governor Joseph M. Brown is being strongly urged to follow his retirement from gubernatorial politics by taking a hunting trip into the heart of Africa similar to that Roosevelt took.

S. W. Scott, of Elliott, Ga., has already written the governor offering to go with him as guide, and claiming a familiarity with the upper Nile territory.

Governor Brown, who is a deep student of natural history, is himself as familiar as book knowledge can make a man, with the interior of the dark continent.

#### Bank Robber Arrested.

Detroit, Mich., June 27.—The police claimed that they identified positively four thousand dollars found on Martin Powell, arrested here, as money stolen in the three hundred and seventy-five thousand dollar bank robbery at New Westminster, B. C., last September.

#### Rizo Says:



The clock in the tower had struck midnight, and Bryan's bridge was tottering under the weight of a Tom cat, when the weather man raised up and yelled with a horrible scream: "Fair weather for 36 seconds."

### WILSON WINS SOUTH DAKOTA

#### Contest Case Between Wilson and Clark Forces Goes to Jury

Baltimore, June 27.—Bryan-Wilson progressives won their victory, when the convention overturned the credentials committee report, and seated ten Wilson delegates from South Dakota. The Wilson supporters claimed the vote made Wilson's nomination a practical certainty. New York's ninety votes, which yesterday went to the Clark-Harmon combination, were today cast in a block for the Wilson delegates. Announcement of New York's vote was greeted with cheers by the Wilson delegates.

North Carolina's vote on the minority report was: Yeas, 21; nays, 4; Virginia: Yeas, 24; nays, 9. Total to adopt the minority report, sending the Wilson delegates: Yeas, 433 1/2; nays, 437; not voting, 54; absent, 2.

Thomas Fortune Ryan was a member of the Virginia delegation voting solidly for the Wilson delegates.

#### WILL GIVE TROUBLE

#### For Every Man Who Deserts Colonel Two Join His Ranks He Asserts.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., June 27.—Colonel Roosevelt said he had heard no news from the democratic convention and seemed surprised when he was told that Charles R. Crane, of Chicago, and others of his supporters, were in Baltimore. He said he did not know what they were doing there. His chief interest was in reports which appeared in the morning newspapers that Charles F. Murphy, leader of Tammany, was assuming a commanding position at Baltimore. The report pleased the colonel, who professed to see in them a parallel to the conditions which existed in Chicago.

"I'm going to make a good deal more trouble than they think," said Colonel Roosevelt. "It is perfectly surprising to see the amount of support which I am receiving."

"For every man who was for me up to the Chicago convention and is now leaving me, I am getting two men who were against me at Chicago."

A good many men, the colonel explained, opposed him at Chicago because they thought an honest majority was against him. But these men, he said, would not "tolerate theft" and were now coming out for him because they believed that improper methods had been used to defeat him. Among his hard and fast opponents, he said, there were many who "honestly thought" he was preaching something like anarchy, and that he was a menace to the safety of property.

"This is the lair of the anarchist," he said, pointing to his house as he stood on the lawn outside. "When I passed through the village this morning the people ran out to the street and shook my hand."

#### Death of Plummer Davis.

(Special to The Times.)

Louisburg, June 27.—Mr. Plummer Davis died Tuesday at his residence in Sandy Creek township, this county. He had been in bad health for several years, his age was 63 years. He was widely known, had been in the register of deeds office here, and was a member of the legislature at the time the constitutional amendment was passed. A large crowd, some from adjoining counties, attended the funeral conducted at his home by Rev. Mr. Thompson, of Warrenton. Interment was at the family burying ground.

#### The Seamen's Strike.

Paris, June 27.—The French government is considerably disturbed over the seamen's strike, which is causing tremendous loss to French shipping. The ship owners declare it is impossible to pay higher wages.

#### House and Senate.

Washington, June 27.—The senate met at ten o'clock and after a forty minutes session, adjourned until Monday. The house met at noon and adjourned soon afterward until Monday.

#### Five Seamen Dying.

Toulon, France, June 27.—Five of the twenty-three seamen injured yesterday aboard the French armored cruiser Michellet, off Hyeres, by the premature explosion of a six-inch gun, are dying in the hospital.

#### William M. Bullitt to Succeed Lehmann.

Washington, June 27.—William M. Bullitt, of Louisville, will be named by the president to succeed Frederick W. Lehmann, as solicitor general.

#### Automobilist Killed.

Detroit, Mich., June 27.—Edward Skae, a capitalist, was instantly killed, when his automobile ran over an embankment near Pontiac.

### M'NINCH ON SITUATION

#### Thinks Roosevelt People Will Capture Next Convention and Hold State Organization

(Special to The Times.)

Charlotte, June 27.—Sam S. McNinch, or "Sunset" McNinch, as he is more intimately known, attended the republican convention in Chicago, and is back in Charlotte, jubilant over the formation of the third party and the nomination of Roosevelt to lead its fortunes. Mr. McNinch is closely identified with the republican situation in North Carolina, and speaks with considerable authority on the stand North Carolina will take in the coming campaign.

When he was asked whether the "progressive" party would put out an electoral ticket in the state, Mr. McNinch said:

"Understand, please, that I am not authorized to speak, but we republicans of North Carolina will simply turn our state over to Roosevelt, for he owns it. At the state convention which is expected to be held in Charlotte in August, we will pick out Roosevelt men for electors and instruct them to vote for him. There will be no Taft electors chosen. We owe no allegiance to the situation framed up by the rotten-borough bosses, Penrose and Barnes. We owe it to ourselves to be self-respecting republicans and we'll stampede the state for Roosevelt."

"There will be no protest of consequence from the Taft following in this state, because it is so small. At our recent state convention 98 per cent, certainly 95 per cent, of the delegates were for Roosevelt. He won over 1,000 of the 1,080 votes cast in the election of the four delegates at large. Taft carried only one small county in the eastern part of the state. Charlotte is about the only place where Taft has any following."

Mr. McNinch doesn't think that it will be necessary to change the name of the party in the state at the approaching Charlotte convention.

"Just so a progressive platform is adopted," declared Mr. McNinch, "and the electors are instructed to vote for Roosevelt, this will be sufficient. Personally, however, I think it would be a good thing for southern republicans to change the name. That's the way they are going at it in Illinois and other states."

"The colored brother and some of our fellow southern republicans do not stand very high up there, but we of North Carolina, are there on all four feet, and they look on us as a great people."

#### Engineer Killed.

Chicago, Ill., June 27.—Engineer Hendricks was killed and a score of passengers injured when the "Dixie Flyer" of the Chicago and Eastern Railroad, when running at a high rate of speed near Martinton. The locomotive turned over. The train left Chicago last night for Jacksonville.



TAMMANY LEADER'S BALTIMORE SMILE.

Charles Francis Murphy, successor to Dick Croker as the democratic czar of New York politics, photographed in Baltimore, where he is attending the convention with a large following of "braves." He is just as big a mystery to the newspaper men as ever, smiling, genial, evasive replies, but direct answers? Never.



SENATOR JAMES O'GORMAN.

Of New York, who is rapidly establishing himself as a power among the New York democrats in Baltimore, and whose friends are said to be aiming to dethrone Charley Murphy and place the senator at the head of the Tammany Hall organization.

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