

TAFT FORCES CONTROL NATIONAL CONVENTION

IN FIRST REAL TEST OF STRENGTH TAFT WINS IN THE SELECTION OF ROOT AS TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN

With States Voting as They Will Probably Vote on the Presidential Nomination, Victory Perches on the Banner of the Anti-Roosevelt Forces—Strict Line-up on the Roll Call.

VOTE FOR ROOT REACHES TOTAL OF 558; M'GOVERN GETTING 502

Wild Scenes of Enthusiasm Enacted When Triumph of the Taft Cohorts Is Announced. Taft's Renomination Expected.

HOW STATES VOTED.

Table with 3 columns: State, Root, McGovern. Lists 48 states and their respective votes for Root and McGovern.

CHICAGO, June 18.—Temporary officials for the republican national convention, named by the sub-committee on arrangements, of which Col. Harry S. New, of Indiana, is chairman: Chairman—Elihu Root, New York. Secretary—J. Fayette B. Gleason, New York.

CHICAGO, June 18.—Against the threats, charges and bitter invective of the Roosevelt forces, Taft supporters in the republican national convention today put through the first portion of their program by electing Senator Elihu Root, of New York, as temporary chairman.

While Mr. Root was made chairman and managed to deliver his "keynote" speech, the fighting is to be renewed at 11 o'clock tomorrow when the motion of the Roosevelt to submit a substitute new list of delegates for those seated in some of the contested cases heard before the national committee is to be taken up as the unfinished business.

The Roosevelt people and the Taft people, carried out their program as announced in advance, almost to the letter. The Roosevelt people say tonight they are going to fight every inch of the way.

There is prospect, however, of a more bitter struggle tomorrow when as "unfinished business" the convention will take up a motion of Governor Hadley of Missouri to strike from the temporary roll of the convention the names of 92 delegates seated by the national committee in contested

election cases and substitute those of the Roosevelt contestants. It was in precisely this effort on the part of the Roosevelt men that the whole day was spent in struggle. The chaplain had hardly finished his invocation of the Divine blessing on the convention before Governor Hadley was on his feet objecting to the personnel of the delegates.

This ruling was to the effect that until the national committee had presented the temporary roll, made up of the credentials and its judgment upon contested, there was no convention, the gathering was a mere meeting and nothing could be done until a preliminary organization had been effected by the selection of a presiding officer.

There was one promise of real trouble when State Senator Finn compelled the repetition of the call of the Pennsylvania delegates, fighting the vote of one of the alternates, who he said, was called out of proper order. The point was that the man called and who voted was the second on the list for Root whereas the man first on the list of alternates from that district would have voted for McGovern.

When Senator Root finished amid long and continued applause, pursuant to an agreement between leaders of the factions, the whole business of appointing committees and other proceedings naturally belonging to to-day's session was completed.



PRESIDENT'S PICTURE IS NOT HUNG IN COLISEUM DURING CONVENTION

First Time in History of Republican Party President's Picture Does Not Adorn the Wall—Convention Called to Order at Noon—Ticketless Ones Remain Outside.

CHICAGO, June 18.—For the first time in the history of republican national conventions the picture of the president hung in the Coliseum where today 1,078 delegates from the states and territories of the United States met to name a candidate for president and vice president and to formulate a party platform.

Along the front row between the body of delegates' seats and the platform, a solid row of uniformed police, early as 9:30 a. m. sat waiting for—nobody knows what. At exactly 10:16 the band broke in with "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

Every ticket holder passed muster three times before he found his place in the convention hall. At the last he surrendered his day's coupon and no means remained to help a friend, or to convince a doorkeeper of the importance of the ticketless ones outside.

Outside the hall there was a scramble for admittance, but no kind of eloquence, no argument, no plausible story of imperative business on that side of the street was of any avail. Every policeman had to be "shown" a ticket, the right kind of a ticket at the right door.

In the east galleries a battery of cameras was turned on the stage, ready to catch a flash light at the opening of proceedings. The first real applause came at 11:30 for former Vice President Fairbanks who entered with former Senator Hemenway of Indiana.

As the song concludes the negroes shouted a yell of defiance at the Roosevelt delegates from New Jersey, seated across the aisle. A moment later the Jerseyites returned the yell as the band struck up "Marching Through Georgia." A scattered cheer greeted the song.

Charles F. Taft visited the Texas delegation and asked them to "sit form in the heat." He stated several other delegations and urged them not to be affected by Roosevelt cheers. Pennsylvania's delegation, standing on chairs and waving hats, punctured the air with a cheer for State Chairman Wm. F. Flynn followed by a well executed Roosevelt yell.

At ten minutes of 12, practically all of the delegates were on the floor, but many of them had not found their seats. The aisles were choked and there was much confusion. The hall was a veritable babble. Pounds for Order.

In a loud voice Hadley asked if a temporary roll had been prepared. The Taft floor leader met the query by raising the point of order that no business was in order till convention is organized. Loud cheers.

Strains of "Dixie" which followed the rather doleful melody of old favorites, brought the southerners to their feet with a yell. Many northern delegations joined them. By this time from all parts of the hall the yells burst forth. The music from the band up near the roof of the hall was drowned in the cries from the wall drilled delegations.

er the national committee or the republican party has the absolute power to form a temporary roll for this convention, which can only be changed by a report from a committee of this convention, or whether this convention itself shall say who shall sit in it.

Gov. Fort, upholding Hadley, declared the convention today is making a precedent for all time—whether the convention controls its own personnel. "Shall this convention sustain the national committee?" shouted Fort. Loud and continued cries of "no" responded. Perhaps it was one of the first indications of the convention's temper.

Fort made the mistake of answering the galleries, which clearly held a high preponderance of Taft sympathizers. The Roosevelt people claimed they were packed. Later on in his address Fort seemed to strike a popular chord. His arguments were met by Watson, the Taft floor leader. Immediately, however, Watson yelled to Representative Sereno Payne of New York, a Taft man, who declared that the question was:

"Between orderly procedure on one hand and chaos possibly on the other." Jeered from Gallery. "How about the Payne tariff bill?" shouted a voice from the gallery and a cheer, mixed with jeers held up Payne's talk for some time.

Both these motions were declared out of order and Chairman Rosewater presented the name of Elihu Root for temporary chairman of the convention. In opposition, Mr. Cochems, of Wisconsin, named Governor McGovern for the temporary chairmanship. Job Hedgoc, of New York, seconding Root's nomination quoted a complimentary tribute that Roosevelt

THOUSANDS LEAVE AS SENATOR ROOT BEGINS ADDRESS

Storm of Cat Calls and Hisses Greet His Appearance on Platform

GALLERY AND BACK OF HALL SOON EMPTY

Makes Set Speech Outlining Policies of the Republican Party

CHICAGO, June 18.—After the vote in favor of Root for temporary chairman was announced, Senator Root mounted the platform. The crowd yelled itself hoarse while the band swung into a lively tune. Sergeant at Arms Stone had the utmost difficulty in restoring order and the cheering broke out anew as Chairman Rosewater, after a brief speech which could not be heard, handed the big gavel to Root.

A minute after Senator Root stepped out to the front of the platform to begin his speech, a storm of cat calls and jeers broke. Senator Root prefaced his prepared speech by a few extemporaneous remarks. "I thank you," he said, "and I beg you to believe that I deeply appreciate your expression of confidence."

Cries from members of the Pennsylvania delegation brought a group of policemen hurrying in that direction. Root scarcely had begun his address before hundreds of spectators on the floor and in the galleries began to leave the hall noisily and hurriedly. Senator Root suspended his speech and asked Sergeant at Arms Stone to ask those who wished to leave to go on at once. "The speaker is addressing to leave have gone, the senator will continue," shouted Stone through the megaphone and the spectators began to crowd out. Root scowling, resumed his place at the table. As the senator sat there, "Bill" Finn, with a cigar stub in the corner of his mouth and his straw hat jammed down on his head, climbed over the stage railing. He stopped up to Senator Root shook hands with him and conferred with him for several minutes, leaving just as Root resumed speaking.

Many Vacant Seats. When Mr. Root resumed the entire (Continued on Page Six)

ALTON B. PARKER LIKELY CHOICE OF DEMOCRATS AS TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN

Senator Gore, Blind Senator of Oklahoma, to Second Wilson.

WATCH CHICAGO

BALTIMORE, June 18.—Democrats in their pre-convention counsel here today passed to watch affairs in the republican national convention at Chicago. With the leaders of all the rival candidates for the presidential nomination here there were conferences to prepare plans of capturing the uninstructed delegates. Alton B. Parker, of New York, was said tonight to be the likely choice for temporary chairman of the convention, with Senator-elect Ollie James, as the next strongest candidate. W. F. McCombs, of New York, campaign leader for Governor Wilson, took charge of Wilson headquarters today and announced that Senator Gore, of Oklahoma, and Representative Mitchell Palmer, of Pennsylvania, would second the nomination of the New Jersey governor.

J. Hamilton Lewis of Chicago came in this afternoon with a plan to swing the vice-presidency to an Illinois man, Senator Hankamer of Alabama, who is looking after the interests of Oscar Underwood, talked things over with national committeemen. Friends of Governor Burke of South Dakota, say that until the convention is deadlocked, the governor will be a "dark horse" candidate, but that if the nomination goes east or south, Governor Burke will be a candidate for the vice-presidency. A resolution drawn by the state equal franchise league, providing an equal suffrage plank for the democratic platform has been given to Senator Raynor of Maryland, for presentation to the resolution committee. Manuel Quess, resident commissioner of the Philippines at Washington has come to Baltimore to urge the adoption of a plank endorsing the Philippine independence bill now before congress.