

LANDON SURE OF REPUBLICAN NOMINATION

Sales Tax An Issue As State Democrats Gather

BROUGHTON NAMED AS KEYNOTER FOR STATE CONVENTION

52 Delegates and Alternates to National Convention Will Be Named at Raleigh

DISTRICT GROUPS TO HOLD CAUCUSES

Executive Committee Members Will Be Chosen; Lindsay Warren, First District Congressman, Probably Will Be Permanent Chairman of Convention

Raleigh, June 11 (AP)—The State Democratic convention will meet here at noon tomorrow in the midst of a gubernatorial campaign in which the State's \$10,000,000-a-year general sales tax is the paramount issue.

The sales tax issue was credited with bringing out a record vote of more than 515,000 in last Saturday's primary.

Clyde R. Hoey, veteran campaigner and administration supporter, led Dr. Ralph W. McDonald, former college professor and militant sales tax foe, by a little over 4,000 votes in their neck-and-neck first primary race.

J. Wallace Winborne, of Marion, State Democratic chairman, arrived in the capital late last night. He announced a few weeks ago J. M. Broughton, Raleigh attorney and former State senator, would be the keynoter.

The News and Observer said today A. D. (Lon) Folger, of Surry county, probably would be elected national Democratic committeeman to succeed C. L. Shuping, of Greensboro. Folger managed the gubernatorial campaign of Sandy Graham.

North Carolina will have 26 votes at the National Democratic Convention and Winborne said 52 delegates from North Carolina could be seated at Philadelphia, not over four from each congressional district and four

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BADOGLIO ADVANCED TO CHIEF OF ARMY

Rome, June 11 (AP)—Appointment of Marshal Pietro Badoglio to command all of the defense forces of Italy was predicted by Fascist sources today as Premier Mussolini re-appointed him chief of staff of the army.

Badoglio, the conqueror of Ethiopia, was retired from the post of viceroy of Ethiopia in order to resume the army leadership he held before the start of the conquest of the East African empire.

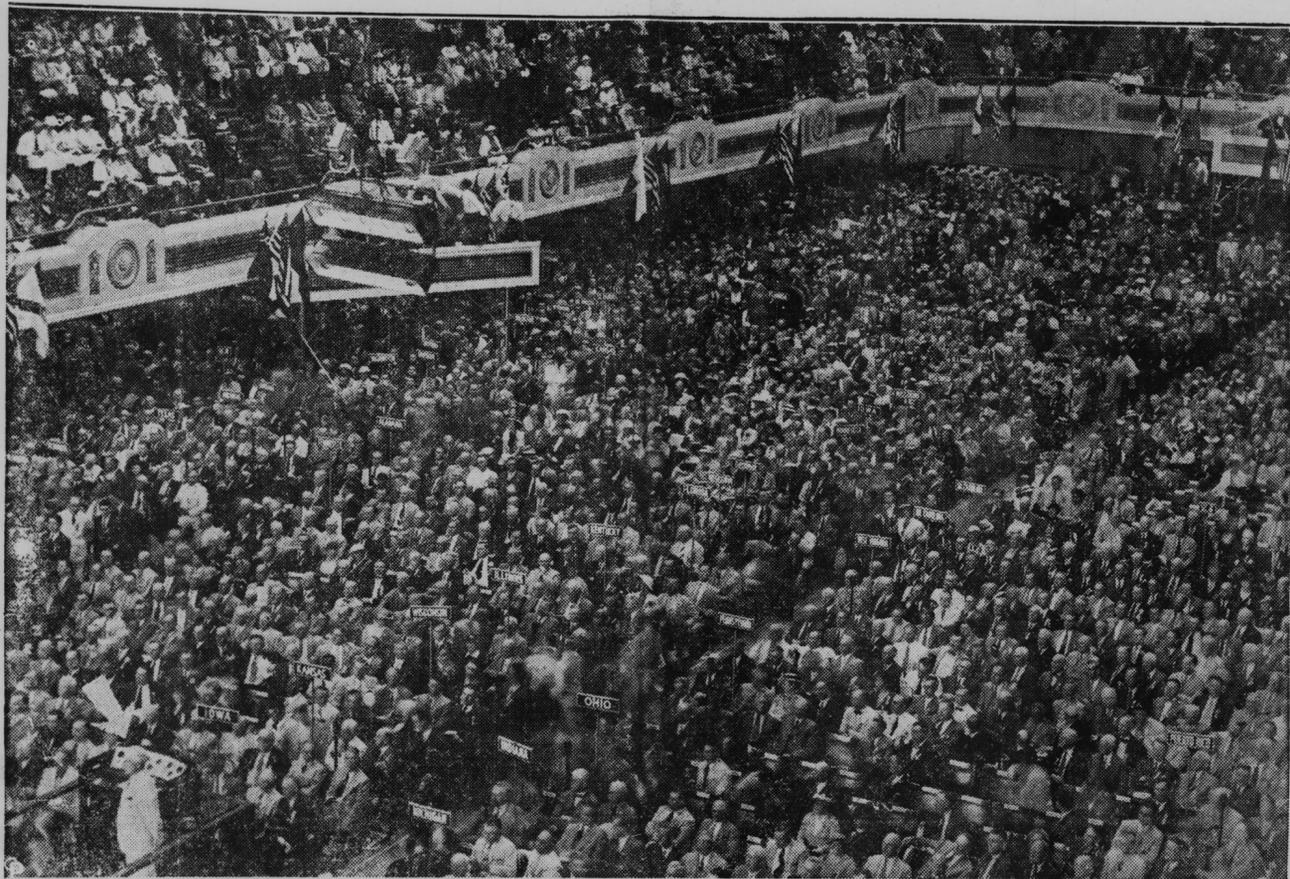
Lon Folger Will Get On Committee

Hoey Forces To Support Graham Manager in Hope Getting Sandy's Votes

Raleigh, June 11.—A. D. (Lon) Folger, of Surry county, who was State campaign manager for Sandy Graham in his fight for the Democratic nomination for governor, is now regarded as the most likely choice for national Democratic committeeman from North Carolina to succeed, C. L. Shuping, of Greensboro, who is not expected to be re-elected to that post after the State's 52 delegates to the Democratic National Convention are selected here tomorrow by the delegates to the State Democratic Convention in the district caucuses preceding the main convention. Reports also indicate that Miss Beatrice Cobb of Morganton, Burke county, will be re-elected national committeewoman without opposition unless some last-minute turn develops that is not now anticipated. The fact that Miss Cobb has not served a complete term, hav-

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Huge Auditorium Filled As G. O. P. Convention Plunges Into Task



A view of the mass of humanity in Cleveland's huge Public Auditorium.

McDonald Confident Of Being Nominated July 4

Headquarters in Raleigh Expects Bulk of Sandy Graham's Strength and Explains Why Victory Will Come to the Professor in the Run-Off Primary

Raleigh, June 11.—The managers and workers for Dr. Ralph W. McDonald in his headquarters here are confident he can defeat Clyde R. Hoey in a second primary, several of them indicated today, although some of them felt that the outcome of a second primary was "merely a gamble."

"We feel that Dr. McDonald is a very strong position and will be nominated by a decisive margin in a second primary," one of his campaign staff members said today. "We have been getting letters and telegrams by the hundreds from former supporters

of Sandy Graham that they were now for McDonald and would vote for him in a second primary. We also feel that in many ways it is a good thing that McDonald ran second than first, since now those managers and workers who were overconfident before the first primary and so sure he would run ahead that they lay down on the job, will get busy and really do some work. We are not at all discouraged, but only more determined than ever to see to it that McDonald will be nominated."

There has been a steady stream of McDonald supporters to and from his

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ROOSEVELT READY FOR TEXAS TALKS

President Pledges Solution of Nation's Ills Under Constitution

Aboard Roosevelt Train, En Route to Dallas, Texas, June 11.—(AP)—President Roosevelt rode into Texas today pledged to continuation of his efforts to solve economic and social problems under the "broad purposes" of the Constitution.

The chief executive gave this message to the nation last night in Arkansas just before resuming a 4,000-mile western tour that called for brief addresses today in Houston, San Antonio and Austin.

Tomorrow morning at Dallas, at the Texas celebration of its centennial of independence from Mexico, the chief executive will deliver the second set speech of his trip.

Addressing an open air Arkansas centennial throng at Little Rock late yesterday, the President declared the Constitution of the government extends beyond state lines, and added that "under its broad purposes we can and intend to march forward, believ-

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ROOSEVELT LAUDS PATRIOTIC TEXANS

President Speaks at Battlefield of San Jacinto Near Houston

Houston, Texas, June 11.—(AP)—President Roosevelt paid tribute to Texas pioneers on the battlefield of San Jacinto today, asserting "lively loving people will always do battle for principles they believe to be right."

He spoke at the site where Sam Houston defeated Santa Ann.

"Men fought here for principles they loved more dearly than their own lives," Roosevelt said. "Civilization, alas, has not yet made it unnecessary for men to die in battle to sustain principle. It is, however, my hope

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SOCIALIST LEADER IN SPAIN MURDERED

Madrid, Spain, June 11.—(AP)—Antonio Romano, 62, president of the Malaga provincial parliament, and the province's leading Socialist, was assassinated today in the city of Mslaga

DECISIVE BATTLE ON TAXES DELAYED

Major Issues Will Be Left Until Republicans Return to Congress

Washington, June 11.—(AP)—Conferees moved today into the second round of their tussle with the tax bill, amid forecasts that decisive action on controversies will not be sought until the close of the Republican National Convention.

Leaders had planned that the conference committee would utilize this week's adjournment of Congress to settle difficulties over House and Senate provisions and have the bill ready for final action when Congress reconvenes Monday.

The Senate conferees asked that major controversial issues be passed

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DEPARTMENT STORE SALES ARE HIGHER

Washington, June 11 (AP)—Sharp increase in department store sales in May, contrary to the usual seasonal tendency, was reported today by the Federal Reserve Board.

The Board's seasonally adjusted index stood at 88 for the month, compared with 81 in April and an average of 82 for the first four months of the year.

OUR WEATHER MAN



FOR NORTH CAROLINA. Partly cloudy, scattered thundershowers this afternoon and to night in west portion, and possibly tonight and Friday in east portion; slightly cooler in west and north central portions Friday.

Republican Platform Is Approved By Committee

Number of Changes Made at Request of Governor Landon, Who Is To Be Nominated for President; Minimum Wage Constitutional Plank May Bring Battle

Cleveland, June 11.—(AP)—The Republican platform finally emerged at noon today from the resolutions subcommittee of the national convention after a number of changes had been made at the request of Governor Alf M. Landon, of Kansas, prospective nominee.

Members of the sub-committee said Landon had been given almost everything he had asked in changes of the original platform except a plank for a constitutional amendment to permit minimum wage legislation by states.

Two of Landon's high command said the demand for this plank would be carried to the full committee, which meets this afternoon.

The sub-committee's efforts to bring

the compromise platform in line with the views of the prospective presidential nominee delayed presentation of the platform to the convention until tonight.

Committee members said, although Landon's desires on the minimum wage were ignored by the sub-committee, some other changes asked by the Kansas governor were made.

One was restoration of a plank declaring for control of interstate public utilities.

Landon also asked for revision in planks dealing with the civil service, social security and the tariff. He demanded a "pay as you go" tax plan to finance social security, but this was meeting with opposition in the sub-committee.

WILL NOT PRESENT NAME OF MEEKINS

North Carolina Delegation Prepares to Join Landon Landslide

Cleveland, June 11.—(AP)—Federal Judge I. M. Meekins, of Elizabeth City, today was removed from the list of "favorite son" candidates for the Republican presidential nomination.

Thomas Dixon, North Carolina author, who was to nominate the jurist, said he would not offer Meekins' name because of the imminence of Governor Alf M. Landon's nomination on the first ballot.

"I think the nomination of Governor Landon should be made by acclamation," Dixon said. "I will not put Judge Meekins' name in nomination."

Although the North Carolina delegation of 23 has been almost solidly behind Landon from the start of the convention, eight delegates were pledged to cast a first ballot vote for Judge Meekins.

However, Meekins had given instructions to release them if the first

PARIS THREATENED WITH NEW STRIKES

Butchers May Quit Work and Cause Meat Shortage; Disorders Rife

Paris, June 11 (AP)—Strike threats from wholesale butchers gave labor-vexed Paris the prospect of a meat shortage today.

Hardly had a widespread cafe and restaurant strike ended in a workers' victory when the wholesale butchers union announced its men would stop work tomorrow unless their demands were met.

Gunplay in Versailles added to the strike tension. Electric current in Dunkirk was shut off by a general strike in the city and on the waterfront, and suspension of gas and water services was feared.

Leon Blum, the new Socialist leader, got an icy reception on his first

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ballot nomination of another candidate was imminent.

KNOX SEEMS SURE AS RUNNING MATE WITH THE KANSAN

Borah, Vandenberg, Knox and Dickinson All Release Delegates Pledged To Them

DEBATE TO START ON THE PLATFORM

Landon Virtually Dictating Planks of That Declaration, Paramounting Sound Money Proposal, and Making Some Concessions To Borah's Demands

Convention Hall, Cleveland, June 11 (AP)—A prairie fire of Landon sentiment swept the fifth session of the Republican convention today, prompting predictions that the Kansas governor, with Colonel Frank Knox of Illinois as a running mate, would be nominated for the presidency, possibly tonight.

One after another of the Landon competitors withdrew their names, while the great mass of the as yet footloose delegates joined up. Whether the impending platform debate would be as harmonious was in doubt.

Colonel Frank Knox released his delegates shortly after Senators Vandenberg of Michigan, Borah of Idaho, and Dickinson of Iowa had done the same.

Plea for Harmony.

The tenor of their words was the same, in the words of Knox:

"The crisis in national affairs demands complete harmony."

It was learned that Governor Landon, who considered the sub-committee draft of the platform overnight, did not like the monetary plan omitting any mention of gold. Friends said he did not insist upon a pledge to work for the return to the gold standard, but urged a specific mention of gold.

He also wanted the farm plan overhauled and suggested one covering the question of Federal regulation of utilities. The committee inserted the latter this morning, but refused to restore a plan for a constitutional amendment for states to fix minimum wages, even though Landon had asked for its reinstatement.

RIVALS WITHDRAW, LEAVE FIELD CLEAR FOR LANDON

Convention Hall, Cleveland, June 11.

(AP)—The Republican convention edged today toward a Landon-Knox ticket for the campaign to unseat the New Deal.

One after another of the rivals of Governor Alf M. Landon withdrew

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Terrorism Leads Into Auto Mills

Detroit, Mich., June 11.—(AP)—The trail of black legion terrorism led into three large Detroit automotive plants today.

Frank Rice, an investigator for the Packard Motor Car Company, and foremen in two other automotive factories, was among five men held as members of a black legion "intelligence squad" accused of burning the home of a suspected communist.

Matthew Smith, general secretary, of the Mechanics Educational Society, a union of tool makers, said that Rice was discovered in a closed meeting of the society two years ago.

"We searched him," Smith said, "and he had membership cards in the Mesa, the American Federation of Labor and the Communist party. He finally admitted he was a member of some kind of anti-communist citizens committee.

Smith's disclosure recalled a recent assertion by William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, that the night riders worked closely with labor spies."

Roy Hepner, another confessed member of the black legion's "intelligence squad," was on call today as a witness before Circuit Judge James E. Chenod's one-man grand jury. Judge Chenod sentenced another prisoner Rudyard Kipling Wellman, to jail yesterday for giving false testimony.