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## DELEGATES PLANNING CONVENTION PROGRAM; WILSON IS IN CONTROL

Leaders at San Francisco Do Not Consider Him as a Possible Candidate.

STILL WANT M'ADOO  
Belief Expressed That His Withdrawal Will Make Him Stronger Candidate.

M'COMBS REBUKED  
Women Delegates To Attempt to Prevent Clash on Prohibition Question.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—Two main facts regarding the probable course of the democratic national convention here next week already stand out clearly.

In its organization and its action on the platform the convention is likely to prove the willing agency of the administration at Washington. Should it unexpectedly attempt to pursue a divergent line of action on these points the administration will have sufficient number of votes to check and control it.

When it comes to the nomination of the candidates the convention may follow its own bent, heedless of any distinction from the White House, if it should be urged, because the two-thirds rule will give to leaders who may find themselves not in accord with the administration.

Legislature of That State Can Ratify Without Submitting Issue

OPINION BASED ON OHIO REFERENDUM  
Special Session of Legislature Has Accordingly Been Called For Purpose

WASHINGTON, June 24.—Assistant Attorney General Friserson has advised Governor Roberts, of Tennessee, that the legislature of that state could ratify the suffrage amendment without submitting the issue to the people.

Fraser's opinion, given orally and in writing both to Governor Roberts and the attorney general of Tennessee, was based largely on the decision of the United States supreme court in the Ohio referendum case.

In that case the court held that ratification of amendments could be had only by state legislatures or conventions and that the provisions of state constitutions that ratification be referred to a vote of the people conflicted with the federal constitution.

Suffrage Hopes Rally  
NASHVILLE, Tenn., June 24.—Suffrage hopes rallied today when it was learned Governor Roberts was to call a special session of the legislature to act on the federal suffrage amendment following receipt of a telegram from President Wilson urging such action in the interest of "real service to the party and to the nation."

The governor, however, failed to comment on the constitutionality of the legislature's act should a favorable vote on the suffrage amendment be reached, saying that the matter was being discussed by Attorney General Thompson and department of justice officials at Washington.

The question of constitutionality in the event of ratification would hinge on a clause in the state constitution which provides that any action on a federal amendment must be taken by a legislature, the members of which have been elected after the amendment was submitted to the state.

North Carolina Situation  
RALEIGH, June 24.—The North Carolina legislature will be called to meet in special session between July 20 and August 10 to receive the ratification report of the tax commission, at which session the question of ratification of the Susan B. Anthony federal amendment will come up, it was stated today at the office of Governor Bickett. The governor was not in the city today.

The democratic state convention recently embodied a plank in its platform memorializing the proposed special session of the legislature to ratify the Anthony amendment and Governor Bickett stated several months ago that he would ask that this be done.

STREET CAR SYSTEM GOES TO JUNK PILE  
ALBANY, Ga., June 24.—Unable to compete longer with the growing list of privately owned automobiles here the Albany Transit Company, owning the street car franchise of the city, has decided to go out of business completely and junk the system.

Exiles Are Returning  
EL PASO, Texas, June 24.—After an exile of seven years, Alberto Terrazas, son of General Luis Terrazas, once one of Chihuahua's wealthiest men, is preparing to return to Mexico and attempt to restore the Terrazas ranches in an effort to recoup the family fortunes.

## LEADERS PREDICT NEW M'ADOO BOOM READY TO BURST

Expect Him to Reappear With Renewed Strength After Early Balloting

OPPONENTS LAY PLANS TO STOP HIS SENTIMENT  
Managers Fear He Will Be Strong in Deadlock Because Of His Stand

SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—While the democratic party leaders today discussed platform planks and policies, with prohibition and the league of nations uppermost, most of those who had arrived in San Francisco seemed as mystified as ever by the attitude of William G. McAdoo and the insistence of Dr. Burriss A. Jenkins to place his name in nomination. With few exceptions the leaders were inclined to believe that even if Mr. McAdoo were sincere in withdrawing, his friends are still prepared to take advantage of a deadlock, which is a very likely thing under the two-thirds rule.

Boon Will Reappear  
While some of the leaders were inclined to doubt Mr. McAdoo's statement as final when it was issued, closer study of the politics and psychology of the situation has convinced them, with the exception of Norman E. Mack, of New York, that the McAdoo boom will probably reappear with greater strength after the early balloting, unless the president injects his influence into the convention in favor of another man.

They say that McAdoo should be stronger by reason of his statement in the event of a deadlock. Fearing a renewed movement for McAdoo, the Palmer leaders are trying to make a combination with the Illinois and New York delegations to hold the delegates from McAdoo or from any other candidate who is not formally nominated, and are exerting themselves to prevent sentiment for McAdoo as a compromise candidate.

Comment that Mr. McAdoo had given out his statement as part of a political move became so pronounced this afternoon that Raymond T. Baker, director of the campaign, attempted to talk with Mr. McAdoo over the telephone to inform him of the rumors. He was unable to get a connection, but wired the exact situation to his friend, the ex-secretary.

Accepts Statement as Sincere  
"I am taking Mr. McAdoo's statement about only being the conversion of other candidates who had looked upon McAdoo as the strongest candidate and now fear that the situation will force him into the convention."

Former Representative John J. Fitzgerald, of New York, who has been playing soft and incidentally doing all he can among his own party leagues in behalf of Palmer, was most outspoken against the McAdoo move. He saw in it an attempt to focus public attention upon the ex-secretary and influence the delegates before they left home.

"In my opinion Mr. McAdoo has not lost an opportunity to put himself forward as a presidential candidate," said Mr. Fitzgerald. "Through his administration as secretary of the treasury and as director general of the railroads he had in mind running for president and did not neglect a single opportunity to strengthen him among the group voters. Why should he get out of the race now unless the president has found that the American people will not stand for nepotism?"

"I cannot believe that his statement was intended to place more than a bid for pressure from certain elements in the community upon the delegates, unless the president absolutely vetoed his candidacy."

"In that case Mr. McAdoo could not hope to make much headway. If the president is against the 'crown prince' idea, his son-in-law cannot break down the precedent against perpetuity of a family in office. The democrats of the country look upon Mr. McAdoo with the same feeling as they do upon a third term, but personally I cannot persuade myself that the president has any such ambitions of Mr. McAdoo, and I look for a move in the convention in his behalf unless there is a combination formed to withstand him for the benefit of the entire democratic party."

Fitzgerald is Hopeful  
Mr. Fitzgerald said that since the republican convention the prospects of the democratic party had increased greatly and that both leaders and followers were now hopeful of success in November, provided the nominee and platform declarations should be in harmony with democratic popular opinion. He said he did not believe the party could go so far wrong as to accept Mr. McAdoo or write a platform that would rebound to the benefit of the political enemy. In his opinion there would be no bitter fights over the platform that would leave the party divided if only the convention were allowed to express its wishes.

Frederick B. Lynch, of Minnesota, (Continued on page four.)

## Rich Widow Admits Taking Gems To Recoup Her Heavy Losses At Poker



Mrs. Eva R. Gleason

Blaming fascination for cards for her plight, Mrs. Eva R. Gleason, widow of a Chicago banker, who is charged with the theft of gems and money from a woman in whose apartment she is alleged to have lost money at poker, told of the high stakes played for by a clique of women prominent socially in New York. Mrs. Gleason has an income of \$12,000 a year, and, according to her story, within a few months had lost most of it. The gems were taken from the home of Mrs. Chester H. Curry, of New York, and are valued at \$1,800. They have been returned.

## OLDEST CITIZEN OF UNITED STATES IS AN ABORIGINEE

Cherokee Bill, Veteran of The Plains and a Soldier, is Accredited With 123 Years

GRAND JUNCTION, Colo., June 24.—Cherokee Bill, veteran of the plains and soldier in the war of 1812 has just celebrated his 123rd birthday at the county home here.

Cherokee Bill is the only name he knows. In the early days of the country he fought with bow and arrow with the aborigines and even used that primitive weapon, he says, when he fought the British in 1812, enlisting in the army when he was fifteen years old. He was born June 6, 1797 and was twice listed in the United States census as the oldest native of America.

Theaged Indian recently made a cap for himself out of the down of cat-tails and wears this proudly when he hobbles along the streets occasionally with the aid of a cane he has owned since the Civil war. He is getting feeble, though he still has a good appetite.

## MEXICO'S RAILROADS BADLY DEBILITATED

MEXICO CITY, June 24.—Twisted rails, decayed crossties and worn-out rolling stock—products of a decade of revolution—militate against the efficiency of Mexico's railroads. No greater problem of reconstruction faces the country than the rehabilitation of her railway lines. The average speed of a Mexican passenger train is thirty miles an hour. From Juarez to Mexico City, a distance of 235 miles, one has to travel forty-five hours, running time, exclusive of lengthy stops at Chihuahua City and Torreon. The shorter trip to Mexico City from Nuevo Laredo, opposite Laredo, Texas, requires ten hours less.



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No matter what out-of-the-way nook you choose for vacation ramblings, the SUN-JOURNAL will reach you daily if you leave your summer address.

Government Recognized  
WASHINGTON, June 24.—The Hererera government in Guatemala, which succeeded that of Doctor Cerezo, has been recognized by the United States, it was announced today at the state department.

## GOVERNOR APPEALS TO BOTH MANAGERS TO CANCEL DEBATE

In Interest of Party Harmony, Asks That Discussion Be Not Held

GARDNER MANAGER SAYS IT IS UP TO MORRISON  
Shelby Man is Willing for Morrison to Withdraw Challenge

RALEIGH, June 24.—J. Crawford Biggs, manager of O. Max Gardner, and Herriot Clarkson, manager for Cameron Morrison, will meet Governor Bickett tonight in the executive offices at 8 o'clock to consider the advisability of calling off the joint debate scheduled to be held here Monday night. Governor Bickett and numerous party leaders have urged the cancelling of the debate for party harmony.

RALEIGH, June 24.—In a letter addressed to Judge J. Crawford Biggs, manager for O. Max Gardner, and to Herriot Clarkson, manager for Cameron Morrison, Governor T. W. Bickett appealed to both gubernatorial aspirants yesterday, in the interest of party harmony, to call off the joint debate between the candidates scheduled for next Monday night in the city auditorium.

Neither has Replied  
Neither had replied to the governor late last night. Mr. Clarkson declined either to admit or deny that he had received any communication from Governor Bickett, but Judge Biggs stated that he had received the letter and took the position that Mr. Gardner was not the challenger in the debate, and could not ask that it be called off. The Gardner manager declined to make public the letter.

"Mr. Gardner did not seek the debate in the first place," said Judge Biggs when questioned, "and was reluctant to enter into a joint discussion with a brother democrat. We are not running from the debate now, but if Mr. Morrison wishes to withdraw his challenge, he will find Mr. Gardner willing to call off the discussion, purely in the interest of party harmony."

It was understood last night that both Mr. Clarkson and Judge Biggs would be asked to confer with the governor upon his return from Louisville tonight. Mr. Clarkson, asked if he had been invited to attend such a conference, and if he intended to attend, stated that he was always ready to attend any conference in the interest of party harmony. Judge Biggs said that no conference had been suggested to him, but that he would be glad to attend, if such a request was made of him.

Spectacular but Exceedingly Unwise  
"Spectacular but exceedingly unwise," is the way Robert N. Page, former congressman and recent gubernatorial candidate, characterizes the scheduled Morrison-Gardner debate. Mr. Page, who received the thirty thousand votes in the first primary that O. Max Gardner and Cameron Morrison are fighting over in the second, adds, in a telegram to the News and Observer, that "these gentlemen and their managers will be held to account by all those more interested in good government than in personal differences of candidates."

Announcement of the arrangements for the debate yesterday morning brought an immediate reaction in democratic circles. The majority opinion, expressed through state orators, declared that it was a frank opposition to the joint discussion. Several democrats of wisdom and long political experience expressed the contrary opinion that the debate will serve to clear the air and offer an example in moderation for more zealous friends of each candidate.

Governor Bickett, who has been agreed upon by the managers of the two candidates as the presiding officer, had not been formally requested to serve. Governor Bickett, last night, declared he had no statement to make concerning the debate.

Morrison is Willing  
ABERDEEN, June 24.—Before leaving here for Jonesboro and Raeford, Cameron Morrison, candidate for the democratic nomination for governor, was asked as to what effect the action of Governor Bickett and Robert N. Page in urging against holding a joint discussion between him and his opponent, O. Max Gardner, would have on the situation, said:

"I am ready to meet Mr. Gardner in debate, but in his Charlotte speech last night Mr. Gardner is quoted as saying that it was not his intention to force the attack. This being true I do not see what we are going to debate about, because I have never attacked Mr. Gardner and do not intend to. I would welcome the opportunity of making a good democratic speech to the big audience that would come out to see Mr. Gardner and myself in action, however."

"Whatever course my manager, Mr. Clarkson, decides upon is final with me," Mr. Morrison said "and I am willing to leave the matter to his wisdom."

Labor Board Replies  
WASHINGTON, June 24.—President Wilson has received a reply from the railroad labor board in Chicago promising to expedite the award in the railroad wage controversy. The message was in reply to one sent by President Wilson.

HOME PRESIDENT HAYES IS NOW A STATE PARK  
FREE MONT, O., June 24.—Spiegel Grove, the home of President Rutherford B. Hayes, is now a state park and has been placed under control of the Ohio archaeological and historical society. The property comprises five acres of virgin timber surrounding the beautiful Hayes' mansion. Colonel Webb C. Hayes, son of the former president, who acquired property from the other heirs following his father's death, made the gift.

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## PROHIBITION HAS RIGHT OF WAY IN CONVENTION TALK

Modification of "Bone Dry" Legislation is Big Theme of Agitation

GLASS AND MURPHY ARRIVE ON SCENE  
Leaders Are Taking Careful Stock of Situation As It Develops

SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—Preliminary to the democratic national convention got into the inevitable period of hurry and scramble today with the appearance here of one after another of the men who are to play the leading parts in the big quadrennial drama.

In the whisperings behind the scenes the question of the party's policy toward bone dry prohibition continued the big theme of agitation, with prospects for a fight on the convention floor growing better and better. Arriving leaders and delegations also added some impetus to the discussion of presidential candidates, but that still remained well in the background.

Two Prominent Figures  
Two figures newly arrived on the scene attracted particular attention. One was Senator Carter Glass, of Virginia, fresh from Washington and generally reported to have brought President Wilson's own draft of the platform. The other was Charles E. Murphy, of New York, the leader of Tammany Hall, who came direct from the widely heralded conference of old line party startegists at French Lick, Indiana.

Both of them were as busy as beavers, but as silent and cagey as mice. Privately they took careful stock of the situation and conferred earnestly with other leaders from far and wide. Publicly they refused to talk politics, outline what they hoped to accomplish or predict what the convention would finally bring forth.

Mr. Murphy was the new center of speculation on the subject of prohibition. The declaration of the New York state convention for repeal of the eighteenth amendment, and widely circulated reports of his leading of an anti-bone dry plan at French Lick, helped to bolster the impression among many delegates that Tammany would lead in the efforts to put such a plank into the platform.

Not only the Tammany chief, but all his lieutenants refused to discuss that subject or to admit that any anti-prohibition movement had been launched at the French Lick conference.

Thomas Taggart, of Indiana, another principal in the conference, was expected to arrive here late today or early tomorrow, but it was generally predicted that the line of division of the prohibition issue would not be clearly drawn until the convention actually gets under way on Monday.

Uncertainty of the Leaders  
One question which loomed to keep the problem in flux was the uncertainty of many leaders here regarding the position of President Wilson. The Virginia state platform, which has been given the president's unqualified approval and on which the national platform is expected to be modeled, is silent on the subject. Some of Mr. Wilson's closest political friends in the administration, however, are known to have prepared a liberalization plank for which they are ready to make a fight in the convention.

This plank, said to have been drafted after conference in Washington among men high in the party councils, does not mention beer or wines by name, but makes a blanket declaration for more liberal interpretation by congress of the prohibition amendment. It is expected a strong effort will be made by sponsors of the proposal to throw the influence of the administration behind it.

Many of the party leaders, including Homer S. Cummins, national chairman, reiterated confidence that no other platform plank would lead to a fight on the convention floor.

Bryan Not Present  
The league of nations declaration as framed by administration supporters was declared by these leaders to be certain of acceptance with only a nominal scramble in the platform committee.

William Jennings Bryan, who was expected to lead the attack on such a treaty plank as well as the fight against a prohibition liberalization declaration, still was missing today from the convention. He will arrive late in the week and nobody pretended to know exactly what plan of campaign he will contemplate.

RYAN IS EXPELLED FROM STOCK EXCHANGE  
NEW YORK, June 24.—Allen A. Ryan, chairman of the Stutz Motor Car Company, who became involved in a controversy with the New York stock exchange at the time it was alleged a corner existed in Stutz, has been expelled from the exchange, according to an announcement today by the board of governors.

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