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NOW LOOKS LIKE TWO TICKETS WILL BE NAMED IN CHICAGO; ROOSEVELT MAY DECIDE TO GO

HOPE FOR PEACE IS FADING AWAY

Believed Republicans Will Nominate Hughes and Progressives Name Roosevelt and Johnson.

THE PROPOSED PLATFORM

Indorses Principles Woman Suffrage and Votes Down Prohibition—Attacks Administration.

CHICAGO, June 8.—As political leaders gathered for second day's session of the Republican and Progressive conventions it became more apparent that there would be two tickets in the field. Victor Murdock, chairman of the Progressive national committee, summed up the situation when he said today:

"Well, we left the door open and the Republicans don't seem to be coming in."

That was the Progressive leader's reply to an inquiry as to whether there remained a prospect for harmony and whether there was likely to be appointment of today conference committees representing both parties to receive and discuss upon peace suggestions. Republican leaders also discounted the success of the peace talk, saying that action had been delayed for so long that a majority of the Republican delegates already had decided to proceed without regard for any third party and nominate Hughes to whom the most support has been gathered. There are some among the Progressives and some among the Roosevelt Republicans who still believed that the Colonel himself could save the day if he would come to Chicago. Word from Oyster Bay, however, was that Roosevelt had been telegraphed yesterday by National Committeeman Jackson, of Maryland, urging him to come here in the interest of harmony. While the Colonel announced that it was not his present intention to accept the invitation, he said he would probably make public his reply later, but did not indicate what would be the tenor of that statement.

The Republican nominations will probably be made tomorrow, but it is not expected that the convention will adjourn before Saturday. Ostensibly the convention will be prolonged to give the convention more time to deliberate over the nomination for second place on the ticket, but in reality it is to avoid adjournment before the Progressive convention.

The Progressive convention probably will not nominate its candidates before Saturday. There will be only a few hours of the session today and that will be devoted to the platform and other routine business. The delegates are confident that on Saturday they will name as their ticket Roosevelt and Johnson, their standard bearers of four years ago.

A rumor circulated last night that Justice Hughes has sent word to the Hughes campaign managers that he will not accept the Republican nomination unless it comes from a united party was revived today. It was denied by Frank Hitchcock and others at the Hughes headquarters. The favorite sons combination and Roosevelt supporters naturally took no step to counteract the report. It is now certain that New York will be the first to place candidates in nomination.

Rumor is current here that Colonel Roosevelt has telegraphed to reserve rooms at a hotel here.

Proposed Platform.

A proposed plank in the Republican platform declaring for woman's suffrage has been rejected by the sub-committee on resolutions by a vote of 5 to

ROOSEVELT MAY GO TO THE CONVENTION

Says He Will Go if the Republican Convention Desires to Hear Him Speak.

SCORES ADMINISTRATION

Issues a Statement Urging Unity of Action to Make This a True Nation.

(By the Associated Press.) Oyster Bay, N. Y., June 8.—Col. Theodore Roosevelt will go to Chicago, if the Republican convention desires me to address it. This he announced today in reply to the invitation received last night from National Committeeman Jackson, of Maryland, asking him to come to Chicago.

The Colonel declared in his answer that he hoped the Republicans and the Progressives would nominate a man who if elected would "place this nation where it belongs by making it true to itself and therefore true to all our ideals."

"Wilson" said he has endeavored to bring people the most evil means that can be resorted to a great democracy. He declared that the differences which exist are not merely Republican and Progressive, but good Americans of all shades of political belief, seek intenser unity when compared with the great issues now demanding decision, the issues of unified Americanism and national preparedness.

The Colonel further declared that "in the face of the awful world cataclysm this nation stood supine and helpless, and that no excuse now made by those responsible for this inaction is entitled to serious consideration. For you and your associates there is an opportunity to show the people that they have a worthy alternancy to which to turn."

"Can we not," asked he, "forget our past differences and now join for the safety and honor of the country to enforce the policy of genuine Americanism and genuine preparedness?"

SIX HUNDRED DETROIT BUSINESS MEN GO INTO CAMP

Detroit, Mich., June 8.—Grand island, a private game preserve of the Cleveland Cliffs Iron company, located off the south shore of Lake Superior, will be the camping ground of some 600 Detroit business and professional men who left here today on the steamer City of Detroit III for the annual cruise of the Detroit board of commerce.

The cruisers will arrive at the island, which is said to be one of the most beautiful private parks in the world, early Saturday morning. The return trip will be made in time to reach Detroit next Monday night.

Restrictive Measures Considered.

(By the Associated Press.) London, June 8.—It is officially announced today that restrictive measures affecting Greek ports were being considered to prevent supplies reaching the enemy.

Weather.

Showers this afternoon; generally fair tonight and Friday; light variable winds.

4. But later it was decided to incorporate a plank indorsing in principle woman suffrage. The fight will be carried before the full committee today. A plank respecting relations with Mexico offered by Senator Fall, of New Mexico, with a strong attack on the administration's policy was adopted. Other planks touching labor, Americanism, national defense and other questions were adopted that are formally intended to meet the Progressive interests. Planks for a recall, initiative, and referendum were rejected by the sub-committee.

The committee voted against the inclusion of a prohibition plank in the platform.

MERCHANTS MUST SCREEN THEIR GOODS

Recorder Dalton Says a Law Is a Law, and Applies to Big and Little Alike.

GROCERS GIVEN WARNING

Mr. Dalton Submitted a Few Remarks as to What Had Come Under His Observation.

Judge Dalton held this morning that the city ordinance requires all fruit to be screened and that the screening of doors and windows of the store is not a compliance with the city law. The interpretation came in the case against I. A. Morris, who was found guilty of leaving some dried apples unscreened. Theindefatigable declared that after an investigation he found that all of the grocers were in varying degrees guilty of a violation of the ordinance.

W. P. Bagan, appearing for Morris, argued loud and at some length that under the evidence of the state his client was not guilty. The ordinance specifies certain fruits and vegetables that must be screened. The lawyer contended that if the doors and windows of the store building were screened that the ordinance was complied with. Judge Dalton thought otherwise and decreed that the ordinance meant that "such screening must be done so to prevent to a practical degree the fruit coming in contact with filth, especially flies." The state's evidence showed that the filth and flies had come in contact with the apples. Mrs. Soyars, health officer, Fletcher Barbood Editor "Doc" Stamey were the state's witnesses. They had seen the fruit "exposed" and had seen the flies on it. The editor called them "dis-ease dealing flies," but he refused to estimate the number of them.

In passing sentence on Morris, which was that the judgment should be suspended on the payment of costs, Judge Dalton took occasion to state the results of an investigation that he had taken the trouble to make on his way to court. He said that he had stopped at every grocery store between his office and court, and that every one of them had some fruit or vegetables unscreened. Without calling the names of the stores, he told what he had found at each. Several stores had tomatoes and strawberries unscreened with "five hundred flies on them."

"And all of these store keepers are far more able financially to obey this or another ordinance than the defendant here this morning," said the judge. The judge had found apples, oranges and tomatoes unscreened on the sidewalk in some places; he had seen strawberries and blackberries and many kinds of vegetables at others. In fact, he said that in every place but three, conditions were worse in his opinion than at the Morris store, according to the testimony in the case just settled.

No order was made whether or not the dried apples in question at the Morris store should be condemned; this phase of the case was not taken up. Mrs. Soyars stated this morning that after court she made the rounds of the grocery stores on Main street and in only three places did she find fruit or vegetables unscreened. She did, however, tell the grocers of the decision of Judge Dalton and stated she would see that the law was enforced as to every merchant.

AMERICAN TROOPS ORDERED TO PREPARE TO GO TO PEKING

(By the Associated Press.)

London, June 8.—An Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Tien Tsin, China, says that United States troops at that place have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to Peking. The dispatch also says that the French authorities have already dispatched a strong force of native troops from the French protectorate at Annam to Peking. A delegation of officers of the bodyguards of the new president, Li Yuan Hung, assured him of the fidelity of the guard.

GREAT INTEREST IN CITYWIDE REVIVAL

Girls of High Point Will March in a Body to the Auditorium This Evening.

TWO SERMONS OF POWER

Large Audiences Heard Dr. Black Last Night and This Morning.

The citywide revival is growing in interest and Evangelist Black's sermon and Mr. Burt's singing are of the highest order. An audience that well filled the auditorium was present last night and the building was three-fourths filled this morning. Dr. Black spoke this morning from the text, "Seek ye first the kingdom of Heaven," and last night on the text, "Be not deceived, God is not mocked." The evangelist preaches from the old texts, the ones the people have heard many times before, but with his forcefulness of presentation and his firmness of thought holds the attention of everybody.

Tonight all of the girls of the city from 10 to 29 years of age, although there is no iron clad rule limiting the age, will march down Main street from the Wesley Memorial church to the auditorium. The girls will meet at 7:30 o'clock and there will be some one present to make them a short address. A number of ladies from the various churches have been selected as front-runners for the march. Tomorrow night all of the members of the American Y. W. C. A. will assemble in a parade, and go to the auditorium. There will be reserved seats for those who come in a body.

Dr. Black wants a band on a drum corps to lead the defile, and he said that he would like to see something good for a band to lead the way for all the girls in town marching to the church service. You want to be heard as well as seen. You want the folks to know that you are going to the church service. Let the people know that there is something doing here.

Dr. Black was late getting started this morning and he spoke only about 20 minutes. His subject was "Seek ye first the kingdom of Heaven." He said that we will know we are in the kingdom if God is our King and if we love that kingdom and endeavor to enlarge it. And the kingdom must be sought first. "First in life, thought, affection; first in your heart in importance; first in everything. God help me to enlarge upon that word first," said Dr. Black. He said that neither business nor pleasure should come first, that all of these things must be below and the kingdom put first.

"Seek first righteousness," said Dr. Black, "and then seek your duty to your fellow man, and lastly seek selfish interests." That was the order in which the preacher named the things we should seek in life. "And why," he asked. Answering he said because it was God's command; because to do so would make men and women better; because the good of our fellowman requires it and because it will reclaim the promise of God and of the text that "All things shall be added unto you."

Dr. Black spoke from the old text of "Be not deceived; God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth that shall he also reap," at last night's service, but with his forcefulness and effectiveness brought the meaning of the words home to his large audience.

"You have heard it preached from many times," said the preacher, and then turning to the dozen preachers on the platform: "You have preached from it many times. But do we believe it?" he asked the people. In the beginning he urged the audience not to be deceived, not be misled, not to follow blind doctrines. "God cannot be fooled, your neighbors cannot be deceived. The well known law of sowing and reaping is applicable in this life and the life of eternity. What we sow now, we shall reap in the future. If we sow to the flesh, we shall reap corruption; if we sow to the spirit, we shall reap life everlasting. Dr. Black warned the people not to "drown out he call of the gospel with the tomfoolery of the world."

There is the sower, the seed and the harvest taught in this text, said Dr. Black. He said the sower was the influence of every person. God holds people responsible for their influence. The

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JESSE COLTRANE, OF RANDOLPH, IS DEAD

Passed Away This Morning Following General Decline in Health, at Age of 96.

FUNERAL SERVICE FRIDAY

"Uncle Jesse" Was One of the Most Highly Esteemed Citizens of This Section.

Jesse Coltrane, aged 96, the oldest citizen in this section of the state, died at his home near Coltrane's mill in Randolph county this morning and will be buried at Ebenezer church Friday morning at 11 o'clock.

"Uncle Jesse," as he was known to hundreds of friends, was loved and respected by everybody who knew him. He owned the Coltrane mill, a place that a great many people of High Point often frequent for a little recreation. Mr. Coltrane was born only a short distance from where he died, 96 years ago. He lived on one plantation all of his life and his youngest son, after his graduation from Trinity, came back to live at the old home place. Mr. Coltrane was the son of Daniel and Sophia Coltrane. He married Miss Abbie Gardner, who died more than 40 years ago. His mother lived until she was 99 years of age.

Mr. Coltrane had two sons and two daughters, all of whom survive. The eldest is Rev. N. S. Coltrane, a member of the Eastern North Carolina Methodist conference, located at present at Fayetteville and the youngest son, who lives on the home place. Both are graduates of Trinity college. The two daughters are Mrs. George Kirkpatrick, of Missouri, and Mrs. Andrew Taylor, the wife of a Methodist minister in the western conference. There are a number of other relatives in Randolph county. The bridegroom and the Stanton in High Point were distantly related to Uncle Jesse.

"Uncle Jesse" was known for his honest integrity and unimpeachable character. He was one of the oldest if not the oldest man in this section of the state, and was one of the most highly respected of the old citizens of his community. For years he had been a loyal and faithful Methodist. His membership was at the Ebenezer church. Until a short while before his death Mr. Coltrane was able to move about at his will and was in good health. For some days he had been in failing health, however, and death came early today, due to old age.

Funeral services will be conducted by his pastor, Rev. E. N. Crowder, Friday morning at the Ebenezer church.

SIGHT-SEEING STEAMERS NOW IN WAR SERVICE

London, May 25.—(By Mail.)—American tourists who in pre-war days boarded fussy little sight-seeing, paddle-wheeled steamers almost under the "Big Ben" tower of parliament for jaunts up the Thames and return, may be surprised to learn that these steamers are now doing sterner duty on the distant river Tigris.

Early in 1916 a fleet of small, squat packets, about one-fifth the size of ordinary American river packets, turned their noses down the Thames for the first time and headed for the Persian gulf.

The day was a big event to river habitués but the general public knew nothing about it.

Each craft was in command of a naval officer and crew.

Where tourists once sat on the upper-deck benches of the diminutive craft enjoying the scenery of the Thames, soldiers and war material today are making the little boat serve a serious war purpose.

EPWORTH LEAGUE MET IN NEW BERN TODAY

(By the Associated Press.)

New Bern, June 8.—An address by John Wesley Gilbert, a negro dean of theology at Payne college, in Augusta, Ga., featured the morning session today of the North Carolina Conference Epworth League meeting here. Prof. Gilbert accompanied Bishop Lambert when the bishop went to Africa to establish the Afro-Congo mission and his address on the conditions there was heard with interest. The reports of the Durham, Raleigh and Fayetteville districts were read and highly commended.

HEAVY FIGHTING IN PROGRESS AT VAUX

French Still Hold the Outskirts as Well as Trenches to the Right and Left.

FORT REDUCED TO RUINS

French Forced to Abandon After Seven Days of Terrific German Bombardment.

(By the Associated Press.) Paris, June 8.—Heavy fighting continues in the vicinity of Fort Vaux, to the northeast of Verdun, the war office report today says that French troops still occupy the outskirts of the fort, as well as the trenches to the right and left of the works.

"The loss of the fort itself, of which announcement was intimated in last night's report is conceded. The announcement says, the fort was abandoned by the garrison after being reduced to a heap of ruins by an incessant bombardment of seven days.

The German attacks in adjacent positions thus far have been unsuccessful west of the Meuse, intermittent cannonading has been in progress since last night.

PRESIDENT COMPLETES DRAFT OF PLATFORM

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, June 8.—President Wilson today practically had completed the draft of the platform to be submitted to the Democratic national convention. The principal plank, it is expected, will consist of declarations of the administration's views regarding the home and the interests of the United States and at the same time keeping the nation at peace.

Specifically the foreign affairs section of the platform will probably praise the policy of the administration.

The provision of neutral rights of the United States and other nations.

Effort to allow this country to be drawn into the Mexican internal troubles and to avoid dispatching troops to support of either in American territory.

Maintenance of the Monroe doctrine and the fostering of good relations with other nations of the western hemisphere.

Support of the policy of "America First."

The plank on domestic affairs will refer particularly to the Underwood-Simmons tariff act, the federal reserve act and the administration's preparedness plans.

SINCLAIR DENIES STORY THAT HE WOULD NOT ASK A PRIMARY

(By the Associated Press.)

Fayetteville, June 8.—Neil A. Sinclair, of Fayetteville, candidate in Saturday's primary for the Democratic nomination for attorney general and with Judge J. S. Manning is now leading all other contestants, denied today that he or any one else authorized to speak for him stated that he would not enter a second primary in the event that Judge Manning did not receive a majority.

Mr. Sinclair's denial followed published statements throughout the state yesterday that it was said in Raleigh that he would not take part in a second primary if it became necessary to have another primary.

"I made no such statement and not until after the official count is published will I make a statement," said Mr. Sinclair. "Any statement that I will not enter a second primary is unwarranted and unauthorized."

HOSPITAL INVESTIGATION WAS STARTED TODAY

(By the Associated Press.)

Raleigh, June 8.—Hearing of charges against the management of the state hospital for the insane here was begun today before the board of directors of the institution. Attorney General Bickett is conducting the investigation for the state and numerous witnesses were in attendance.

The investigation is the outgrowth of charges made by Charles G. Latta and others in which was alleged mismanagement of the institution and mistreatment of the patients.