

ADVANCE GUARD DELEGATES TO CONVENTION ARRIVING

Johnson and Harding Get on the Ground Early—Five Days Before Convention Begins Will Be Full of Conferences and Last Minute Moves.

(By The Associated Press.) CHICAGO, June 3.—Two republican presidential candidates—Senator Johnson, of California, and Senator Harding, of Ohio—arrived in Chicago today, and their coming marked the beginning of the active days of the pre-convention period.

Five days remain before the republican party assembles in the Coliseum to pick its candidate and those five days are expected to contain crowded hours of conferences, last minute alignment of forces, and final decisions among the campaign managers. Every one of the candidates except Herbert Hoover is expected here at some time.

The advance guards of the delegates are beginning to arrive and by Sunday they will be coming in a steady stream. The majority of them, to be sure, are technically unpledged, but most of them have their leanings and very few of them are claimed by less than three campaign managers. Some of the chairmen of the incoming delegations are announcing their preferences in prepared statements which became the confidence of success, but the political managers standing on the side lines and making up their slates have found no reason for changing their opinion that while some of the candidates have enough delegates to give them formidable fighting strength in the convention, it is going to take more than two or three ballots to show where the forces of conciliation and compromise must be applied to bring forth a candidate who will command a majority.

If the realm of speculation were to be entered it would be necessary to mention practically every candidate who has announced himself thus far because every one of those candidates has a manager who advances a set of reasons why his principal is the logical choice for a convention which will not be prepared to give a majority of its votes to any one at the outset.

As the delegates begin to gather, there is a forerunner of discussion of the convention issues which will find expression in the party platform, and those who are interested in having the party take a position on various subjects are busy lining up influences which they expect to be effective in the deliberations of the resolutions committee.

As soon as the members of the national committee are freed from consideration of the claims of delegations contesting for seats, things are expected to move along with more speed. The committeemen will find themselves free to give attention to the convention issues. While the contests are on discussion of candidates, platform and prospects is to them left hand work.

The committee today still had before it, awaiting decision, the Florida and Georgia cases and the cases of the eight district delegates from Mississippi. From those cases it was waiting to pass onto the contests from North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas and Virginia. The indications are that the time consuming contests have been passed and that with the Georgia and Florida cases out of the way the remainder will be more quickly disposed of.

DELEGATES ARRIVING FOR STATE DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

(By Associated Press.)

BATON ROUGE, La., June 3.—Delegates are arriving in Baton Rouge for the meeting tonight of the state democratic convention which selects delegates for the San Francisco convention.

The big four from the state at large will probably be Governor Parker, Colonel Frank P. Stubbs, Senator Joseph E. Ransdell, and Senator Edward J. Gay.

Political leaders said the delegation probably would be unopposed.

The fight in the convention tonight will be over a plank advocating the sale of light wines and beer, and urging the national convention to go on record as advocating the modification of the Volstead act to that extent. The light wine and beer forces are led by Edwin Broussard, candidate for the United States senate. The prohibition forces are being led by ex-Governor Sanders.

SENATE RESOLUTION ORDERED OUT BY HOUSE COMMITTEE

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, June 3.—The senate resolution declining to grant President Wilson's request for authority to accept a mandate over Armenia was ordered out today by the foreign affairs committee. Chairman Porter said he did not expect to ask house action until tomorrow.

Democratic members of the committee offered a substitute declaring that "congress believes it unwise to grant the executive power to accept a mandate over Armenia until after the ratification of treaties of peace with the central powers." This was voted down by the republican majority.

PRESIDENT WILL NOT CALL EXTRA SESSION

If Present Session Is Ended Saturday He Will Not Call Extra Session Unless There is Grave Emergency.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—President Wilson has assured senate democrats that if the present session is ended Saturday he will not call an extra session during the coming summer unless there is a grave emergency.

Announcement of the president's decision was made in the senate today by Senator Underwood, of Alabama, the democratic leader, who said he had been authorized to deny reports that an extra session was contemplated.

Sharp criticism greeted the adjournment resolution when it came up for debate. Senator Kenyon, republican, Iowa, moved to amend it so that the adjournment would be to August 30.

PROCTOR'S ASSISTANT IS CALLED TO STAND

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Horace S. Stebbins, of New York, first treasurer of the Lincoln-Wood league, and sought by subpoena servers of the senate investigating committee for several days, wired the committee today from Montreal that he had just heard of the search for him and desired to testify. He will be heard tomorrow.

WASHINGTON, June 3.—W. B. Burt, assistant to Colonel William Cooper Procter, national chairman of the Wood campaign committee, was the first witness called today before the senate committee investigating pre-convention campaign expenditures.

In business life, he said, he was "assistant and confidential man for" Ambrose Monell, of New York, who it has been testified, was a heavy contributor to the Wood campaign fund.

Mr. Burt said he had brought papers from the Wood national committee, and produced a suit case and two bundles, from which he took a set of formidable looking ledgers. The committee discussed the showing of the various accounts with him.

MYSTERY OF MISSING CHILD STILL UNSOLVED

MORRISTOWN, Pa., June 3.—The mystery surrounding the kidnapping of 13 months old Blakeley Coughlin, who was stolen from his crib early yesterday, was still unsolved today. Hundreds of persons, including home defense police, members of the state police, department of justice agents and private detectives, searched the surrounding country and the foreign settlements throughout the night without finding a trace of the child's whereabouts. The police, however, announced today they are working on several promising clues.

Apparently the kidnapers were well acquainted with the Coughlin house. They used a ladder to reach the nursery window.

A reward of \$1,500 has been offered by the county commissioner for the arrest and conviction of the kidnapers.

George H. Coughlin, the baby's father, is president of a Philadelphia lithographing concern, and a former Princeton athlete.

LITTLE SHAKY OVER RECEIPT OF \$100,000 CHECK

NEW YORK, June 3.—Miss Virginia Gildersleeve, dean of Barnard College, explained today that her "shaky signature" on graduates diplomas yesterday was due to the excitement of receiving a \$100,000 check in the morning mail for the college endowment fund from the Carnegie Foundation. She announced that the \$500,000 endowment goal had nearly been reached.

MILK WAGON DRIVER GETS AWAY WITH \$2,000

NEW YORK, June 3.—Detectives today sought a milk wagon driver who took a roll of bills amounting to \$2,000 from six year old Sammy Salvarto, who found the money yesterday while laying on the sidewalk in front of his home. A few minutes after the driver disappeared with the money, Mrs. Lizzie Yermoes appeared with a patrolman searching for the missing bills, which she said she had just lost.



Mr. W. W. Combs, of Lawrenceburg, Tenn.

Who will sing at the First Baptist church tomorrow morning. Mr. Combs is the singer at Ranlo, in the Baptist evangelistic campaign.

REVIVAL CAMPAIGN STILL AT HIGH TIDE

More Than Seven Hundred Additions So Far — To Close Sunday With Big Rally in Charlotte.

The interest and spiritual power continues at high tide in the evangelistic campaign now in progress in thirty Baptist churches of Gaston, Mecklenburg and Cabarrus counties. There have been more than 725 additions to the cooperating churches to date, fully three-fourths of whom were received by baptism. There have been scores of others who have professed conversion, but for some reason have not related themselves to any of the churches as yet. Last night's services were all good in all of the different churches of the campaign. In some of the centers the revival tide ran higher and with greater visible results than it has gone hitherto. It is confidently believed by the leaders of the campaign that the total number of additions will go well beyond the 1,000 mark by next Sunday night when the campaign will come to a close; in fact it would not be surprising in the least if as many as 1,200 new members are received into the churches before the meetings close.

The great union closing service of the entire campaign will be held in the city auditorium at Charlotte next Sunday afternoon beginning at 3:30 o'clock. The complete reports of all the churches of the campaign will be made at that time. Instead of the usual climatic sermon on such occasions, the program will consist of a sacred song recital by the twenty or more singers of the Evangelistic staff of the Baptist Home Mission Board.

Evangelist N. R. Stone, of Hattiesburg, Miss., spoke at the union service at the First Baptist church yesterday. His theme was "The Relation of the Holy Spirit to the Believer," which he said is five-fold: "The Baptism of the Spirit; the Filling of the Spirit; the Sealing of the Spirit and finally the earnest of the Spirit."

Friday will be the last of the union day services at the First Baptist church. An excellent program has been arranged with Evangelist W. L. Head, of Atlanta, as speaker and some of the best singers including a solo by Mr. Work, a duet by Messrs. Combs and Meler and a selection by the male quartet will sing.

PROGRAM FOR FRIDAY

First Baptist church; 10:00 a. m.—Union service of 15 churches; song leader, Mr. W. W. Combs; duet, Messrs. Miller and Combs; solo, Mr. W. J. Work; selection, male quartet; sermon, Evangelist W. L. Head.

Noon hour: Cotton mills in territory near the churches; Pastor, evangelist and singer.

7:45 p. m.—All Baptist churches; Evangelistic meetings conducted by the visiting revivalists.

Officially Declared Nominees

(By The Associated Press.)

MONTGOMERY, Ala., June 3.—Senator Oscar W. Underwood was today officially declared the nominee of the democratic party to succeed himself and J. Thomas Heflin was declared the nominee to succeed the late Senator John H. Bankhead.

The entire Alabama delegation in the house of representatives was renominated except S. Hugh Dent, who is succeeded by Judge John R. Tyson, of Montgomery.

WOMEN MUST WEAR SMALL HATS AND REMOVE THEM

(By The Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, June 3.—Women attending the republican national convention are asked by Mrs. Raymond Robins to wear plain small hats and to take them off as soon as they are seated in the convention hall. Mrs. Robins is the wife of the chairman of the last progressive party convention.

BELMONT 2,941, GAIN OF 150 PER CENT

Thriving East Gaston Metropolis Registers Big Gain Per Cent in Population Over 1910 Figures — Rock Hill's Population 8,809.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, June 3.—Census figures today include: Belmont, N. C., 2,941, increase 1,765, or 150.1 per cent. Rock Hill, S. C., increase 1,593, or 22.1 per cent.

The population of Belmont according to the 1910 census was 1,176. There has been an increase of 1,765 or 150 per cent. Many of the larger mills at Belmont are outside the incorporate limits. If these were included it is thought that the figures would run well over 3,000. The increase of 150 per cent is considered a remarkable showing.

"CITIZENSHIP" SUBJECT COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS

Hon. D. H. Tillett Gives Good Advice to Young Graduates — Diplomas to Twenty — Youngest Member of Class Carries Off Highest Honors.

With the presentation of diplomas to twenty young graduates the session of 1919-20 of the Gastonia city schools came to a close last night. Of this number eighteen were young ladies and two were young men.

The exercises began with the invocation by the graduating class, followed by the salutatory address by Miss Elizabeth Boyd, who in a very appropriate manner made the audience welcome.

The commencement address was delivered by Hon. D. H. Tillett, of Camden. He was introduced by Miss Louise Beal, president of the class. His subject, "Citizenship," was handled in a clear and forceful manner. The speaker interpreted citizenship as consisting not so much in the mere casting of a ballot but more in the light of service and success in the activities of government.

Mr. R. C. Patrick, secretary and treasurer of the city school board, presented the diplomas to the class, which was composed of the following: Leon Schneider, Mary Love Babington, Elizabeth Boyd, Mary Neil Davis, Edith Kendrick, Artie Lineberger, Lillian McLean, Nellie Rutherford, Margaret Spencer, Geneva Wilson, James Sloan, Louise Beal, Lavine Craig, Mary Grier, Mary Lee Land, Beulah McKenzie, Anne Rankin, Ethel Rhyne, Marguerite Troutman and Eunice Hoyle.

Miss Beulah McKenzie, the youngest member of the class, won the highest scholarship honors. In her valedictory address she bade the class adieu in an effective and interesting way.

TO PLACE REALTY ON LEGAL PLANE

Plans Adopted to Give Real Estate Men Same Standing as Lawyers, Doctors and Other Business Men.

(By The Associated Press.)

KANSAS CITY, June 3.—To place the profession of the realtor on a legal plane affording the client the same protection that surrounds medicine and law is the supreme purpose of a special committee on real estate licensure, the report of which was submitted today to the convention of the National Association of Real Estate Boards, in 13th annual session here.

"The year 1919 was one of prosperity for real estate men generally," said Judson Bradley, Detroit, chairman of the committee, in submitting the report, "but not until the years to come will the average realtor realize that during the year past a new era for the real estate profession began and obtained a tremendous impetus, which must not and will not cease until the name 'Realtor' stands with the name lawyer and doctor, and will mean to the public that the man entitled to use that name is qualified mentally and by experience to give proper and honest service to his clients."

To bring that condition about, the committee urged that the convention go on record as favoring the adoption by states of stringent laws governing real estate operators.

WOMEN ARE FLOCKING TO CHICAGO CONVENTION

(By The Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, June 3.—The added interest of women in politics is responsible for the unusual demand for tickets to the republican national convention this year, according to Chairman Will H. Hays of the national committee who said today he had received 150,000 requests for the 13,289 seats. More than 1,100 applications for the 578 press tickets have been received.

"The requests from women for tickets are unprecedented," Mr. Hays said. "There are more than 10 applications for every seat." It was announced that the tickets will be distributed Saturday.

URGES MIDSHIPMEN TO CAST OFF SLAVERY TO TRADITION

Secretary Daniels Addresses Graduating Class at Annapolis — Diplomas Presented to 289 Members.

THE TENNESSEE, LARGEST BATTLESHIP AFLOAT

Launched at Brooklyn Navy Yard Today — Cost Twenty Million Dollars — Represents Last Word in Battleship Construction.

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, June 3.—The super-dreadnaught Tennessee, the largest and most formidable battleship afloat, goes into commission today at the Brooklyn navy yard. Formal ceremonies were set for 2:30 o'clock. Constructed here at a cost of \$20,000,000, she represents the last word in battleship architecture. She is 625 feet long, 98 feet abeam, and has a displacement of 32,500 tons.

She is the next thing to a pleasure yacht in the comfort of her apartments for officers and men, she is the first battleship to recruit her entire personnel from the state from which it takes its name, and she represents advantages taken from lessons learned in the battle of Jutland, and other important naval battles of the world war.

This last special feature, which distinguishes the Tennessee from all other units of the United States navy, is the highly organized "fighting brain" enclosed in a steel fort near the top of the forward mast. Here are concentrated devices for observing enemy ships, a device not known in the battle of Jutland, enabling the crew to quickly ascertain the position of enemy craft. Special devices are installed in this turret which enable the crew to quickly train the 14 inch guns on the enemy before the crew of any other battleship known could even sight the Tennessee. This new device consists of three decks and their fighting complement is 25 men.

By special signaling devices, connected throughout the ship, reports from this fighting top can be flashed instantly into all parts of the ship, thus insuring instant correction of range and rapid fire. This "fighting brain" is filled with mechanical devices for range finding and other delicate instruments never before used on a battleship.

Another important feature in the construction of the Tennessee is her electrical control of speed, enabling her to quickly change from her capacity speed of 21 knots to an almost imperceptible motion. This is considered an important point from the standpoint of maneuvering.

The Tennessee is believed to have been built with more care for the comfort of her crew than any other battleship in the world. Her size makes possible spacious lockers, baths and recreation quarters. She has a printing shop with a linotype machine and presses on which a daily newspaper will be printed. The Tennessee is the first battleship to be equipped with a motion picture camera. She will not actually be put into service until August 1, when she will sail on a practice cruise to Guantanamo, Cuba. Her present crew of Tennesseans numbers 631.

A large delegation of Tennessee folk was in New York today to attend the ceremonies. Governor Roberts, of Tennessee, who was expected to be present, telegraphed that he would be unable to do so. Captain R. H. Leigh is the commander of the vessel.

R-80 CAN FLY ACROSS ATLANTIC WITH EASE

(By The Associated Press.)

HARBLOW, England, May 29.—Airship R-80, built here for the admiralty, will be launched in two or three weeks. She embodies the latest improvements in air craft design and it is stated that she could fly across the Atlantic with ease.

The vessel is 535 feet in length and 70 feet wide. Her lifting power is 38 tons. Four engines, each of 240 horsepower, will give her a maximum speed of 65 miles an hour. She will carry a crew of fifteen.

COL. STONE WILL REPRESENT AMERICAN ARMY WITH ALLIES

(By The Associated Press.)

COBLENZ, June 2.—General Henry T. Allen has appointed Colonel David L. Stone, former chief of staff of the third division, to act as representative of the American army of occupation at sessions of the allied Rhineland commission.

Pierrepont B. Noyce, who resigned last week as American representative on the Rhineland commission, will return to America after an extended trip in Europe.

DANIELS

ANNAPOLIS, Md., June 3.—Upon the spirit and will of its officers to cast off "slavery to tradition" and venture into the realm of things new and untried depends the future strength and efficiency of the American navy, Secretary Daniels told the graduating class of midshipmen at the naval academy here today in presenting diplomas to its 289 members.

Citing as an object lesson the navy's record of resourcefulness in the world war, as best exemplified in the North sea barrage, the secretary delivered an earnest appeal to the young officers not to let the weight of accepted theories restrain their efforts to keep American seapower at the forefront in strategy and invention.

"To some men tradition is a taskmaster, a hard rule, a beaten path," the secretary declared. "To others it is a star in the firmament, a light to the pathway; wings on which to mount for clearer vision and wiser action, to win the goal, not by precedent of rule, but by an illumination that is spirit and not deed."

"No two wars were ever won by the same tactics and few by the same weapons. The military leader of the future may navigate his ships by radio and the day may even come when all his fighting craft may be 'airy navies fighting in the central blue.'"

Coupling with his admonition against jiffidence and skepticism toward the untried a reference to the "doubt and delay among naval statesmen" in accepting the American navy's proposal for the North sea barrage, Secretary Daniels declared the spirit that gave birth to that "great and original conception" was for the navy the honor of contributing the "outstanding offensive" against the submarine menace. "Let that be a tradition to incite you to newer heights than have ever been attained," he added.

"The American tradition of boldness and audacity," the speaker continued, "enforced by world war achievement, will save you from the danger of a slavish adherence to tradition or precedent in method, while heartening you with the girdling realization that the tradition of daring and audacity is bounded by no limits of possibilities or miracles."

The secretary told the young officers they were to be congratulated upon coming into the navy "in a day when it holds—and holds deservedly—higher place in the confidence of the American people than in any period of its history."

WHITE AND NEGRO SAILORS CLASH IN ENGLAND

(By The Associated Press.)

NEWPORT, England, June 3.—White and negro sailors clashed in street fighting last night and early this morning in this city. Large crowds assembled in the thoroughfares, windows were smashed and a number of houses badly damaged. Several revolver shots were fired, but resulted in no casualties. Several combatants, however, were badly beaten and one white sailor was arrested. Careful handling of the crowd by a large force of police finally restored order.

PRESIDENT'S SHEEP YIELD 185 POUNDS WOOL

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, June 3.—Under compulsion President Wilson's flock of prize sheep exchanged their winter coats today for summer attire. The flock which numbers 26 sheep and 22 lambs, yielded 185 pounds of wool, which will be given to the Salvation Army. Last year the yield was presented to the red cross.

Hy, the prize ram of the flock, who invaded the white house offices last week, is serving a term of solitary confinement.

U. S. TO SEND DETACHMENT TO FIGHT BUBONIC PLAGUE

(By The Associated Press.)

MEXICO CITY, June 3.—State authorities at Vera Cruz have accepted the offer of the United States government to send a sanitary detachment and supplies to that city for the purpose of combating the spread of bubonic plague, says a dispatch from that city to the newspaper Universal.

One suspected case of the plague was found yesterday, the dispatch says. Ships are allowed to enter the port, but rigid quarantine regulations are being enforced. Furniture suspected of having come in contact with the plague is being burned in the streets. In one lot of furniture burned there yesterday there was a bomb concealed. This exploded, killing one man. Theaters and churches, it is said, will be allowed to open soon.

OFFERS REWARD OF \$500 FOR ARREST GROVER C. BERGDOLL

(By The Associated Press.)

GREENBURG, Ind., June 3.—Joe Welsh Post, American Legion, of this city, has offered a reward of \$500 for the capture of Grover Cleveland Bergdoll, the wealthy Philadelphia bank owner, who escaped recently from an army sergeant's custody.