

**AFFAIRS ARE TAKING
SHAPE IN FRISCO**

Much Discussion as to Platform—Little Talk About Candidates.

(By The Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 22.—While hotel lobbies began today to take on the appearance of a national political convention only a few of the democratic chieftains who will figure prominently in the party's quadrennial gathering next week had reached the convention city.

Direct developments of the day were confined to physical preparation of the municipal auditorium for the convention, and the work was well advanced, but there was much discussion in progress as to elements that would be involved in shaping the party platform and there was strikingly little talk about candidates.

Out of the talk of the day came an increasing rumble of "wet" and "dry" maneuvers.

No definite statements were obtainable from leaders who have reached the scene of battle but it was clearly indicated that they looked forward to a fight on the floor of the convention over efforts to make the democratic platform advocate modification of the prohibition enforcement law through a "beer plank."

Some observers who had counted noses on the resolutions committee, which will frame the tentative draft of the platform, said the "dry" would control by a sufficient margin to secure defeat of any wet plank in the draft. It was added, however, that if the question of permitting manufacture of mild beverages framing the platform. Comment on this aspect of the situation did not indicate, however, that it was now occupying an important place in the minds of leaders on the ground.

There was no marked activity among supporters of men seeking the presidential nomination. Posters urging the claims of Attorney General Palmer began to appear after headquarters for his boom had been established and workers in behalf of Governor Cox, of Ohio, and other aspirants were beginning to arrive. They are not expected to get their campaigns into active motion, however, until later in the week.

The league of nations issue did not fill a prominent place in talk among the leaders today, but possibility of a struggle over Japanese exclusion was suggested after Governor Stephens letter to Secretary Colby; declaring the situation serious in California, had been read, coupled as it was with the statement of Senator Phelan, of this state, that the democrats should deal with the Oriental problem in itself, the result would be more in doubt. Pending arrival of Senator Glass of Virginia, slated to be chairman of the committee, no direct step toward sounding sentiment in the convention on the issue appeared likely.

**SAN FRANCISCO IS NOT
WHAT IT USED TO BE**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 19.—Visitors to the Democratic National convention will see but few reminders of the old, romantic days of San Francisco, when the red-shirted men swept down from the gold-streaked ranches of the Sierras and threw fistfuls of "pay dirt" on the bars or the store-counters for whatever they wished to purchase.

Gone is the roaring "Barbary Coast" and its less picturesque environs. "Bottle" Koenig and "Bottle" Myers who used to run noisy cock fighting establishments is what now the shadow of the Hall of Justice have long since passed on and the "Montana Dance Hall," most blaring and blatant of all the coast resorts is hardly a memory.

Chinatown guides still point out the little restaurant hanging precariously over old Dupont street where Frank Norris, the author, went occasionally to get a bit of local color. Directly ahead and facing the Hall of Justice is Portsmouth Square, a cove for the city's human drift where the Vigilantes staged many a stirring scene and the "sand-lottery" under the leadership of fiery Dennis Kearner, discussed the town's political issues.

Most of the old cafes, where much of the city's history was plotted, remain in same only. Gone is Duncan Nichol's, the "Bank Exchange" of former days where the famous Flisco Punch was served over a mahogany bar that was brought around the Horn. The old Cliff House, where Presidents of the United States and other renowned itinerants used to enjoy the sea food breakfast, was burned years ago.

On Waverly Place still may be seen the quarters of the old Siberia Club, stronghold of Yee Mee, "King of Chinatown." Here, before the police "axe parties" became a feature of Chinatown the chance games of "coon-can," "chuck-a-luck" and "fan-tan," were played in the midst of a maze of corridors, sliding panels worked by secret springs and exotic odors of opium and Chinese dishes.

The black docks that lined the "Front" from China Basin to the Presidio are gone and stately terraces for ocean liners have risen in their place. The dingy bars that stood back of them, where adventures of all degrees were once shipped, drug-stuffed, through trapdoors and into waiting boats below as part of the great "shanghai" game, all have been swept away. The "chang-

**MARYLAND NEGRO IS
ACCUSED OF ASSAULT**

Another Lynching Will Probably Be Result—Has Escaped From Prison Twice.

(By The Associated Press.)

WILMINGTON, Del., June 22.—Isaiah Fountain, a negro convicted for criminal assault upon a 13-year-old white girl in Trappe, Md., was surrounded early today in a woods near Hebron, Md., by an armed posse of approximately 600 persons. Open threats were made against his life and officials fear they will not be able to hold the posse in check should he be captured.

Fountain twice escaped from the Easton, Md., jail. He was convicted on April 19, and sentenced to be executed. A few weeks later he escaped, but was quickly captured at Seaford, Del. He got away again last Wednesday night and since then posses have been searching the countryside in all directions.

Shortly before midnight last night the posse surrounded him in a swamp near Laurel, Del., but the fugitive succeeded in breaking through the net. A short time later the negro was again cornered in the Hebron woods and it was said his capture was only a matter of hours.

When the posse entered this state from Maryland, it comprised only about 200 persons, but every town passed through has furnished additional members until the number has been tripled.

**HERIOT CLARKSON ACCEPTS
GARDNER'S CHALLENGE
FOR MORRISON**

(By The Associated Press.)

RALEIGH, N. C., June 22.—Heriot Clarkson, campaign manager for Cameron Morrison, candidate for the democratic nomination, today issued a statement accepting the reported challenge of Lieutenant Governor O. Mr. Gardner, at Asheville, last night, to meet Mr. Morrison in joint debate.

Mr. Clarkson's statement it follows: "I have not as yet received the reported challenge of Mr. Gardner to meet Mr. Morrison in joint debate, but I will be glad to cancel his appointments and be delighted to accept the challenge."

CLOUDBURST DOES DAMAGE.

NAPLES, June 22.—Great damage was caused on Sunday by a violent cloudburst which centered in the neighborhood of this city. Torrents of rain and huge hailstones, accompanied by severe thunder and lightning, fell in the early morning, causing great destruction of property, especially in Posilipo, a suburb, where water more than a foot deep rushed down the roads.

The children's hospital at Posilipo was damaged, and several villas in the immediate neighborhood of Naples were demolished. Crops have been seriously damaged.

BESSEMER BRIEFS.

Correspondence of The Gazette.

BESSEMER CITY, June 22.—On June 12th seven Bessemer City Camp Fire girls left for Bat Cave, with their guardian, Miss Rita Izard, for a week at Camp Minnehaha, in the Chimney Rock mountains.

These were Misses Sarah Sholar, Bonnie Bolts, Salina Doris, Stella O'Brien, Mary Fronberger, Tula Fae Caldwell, and Eva Crawford. The girls won a number of Camp honors and the Camp Mother, Mrs. Belle A. Roxby, was heard to say that she had never had a group of girls more willing to help with the work or with a better camp spirit than our girls showed.

Miss Laura Izard, of Richmond, Va., is visiting her sister, Miss Rita Izard, in Bessemer City.

STRAUS CONFERS WITH HARDING.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—At the invitation of Senator Harding, the republican presidential nominee, Oscar Straus, prominent in the league to enforce peace, and a supporter of Herbert Hoover at the Chicago convention, conferred with the senator today.

Mr. Harding also had an engagement to meet a delegation of women suffragists from 15 states who planned to urge him to exert his influence to obtain final ratification of the woman suffrage amendment.

100 CASES CHOLERA.

(By The Associated Press.)
TOKIO, June 21.—One hundred cases of cholera have been discovered in southern Japan, some victims of the disease being found in this city.

"hai" was the system for recruiting the crews of the "lime-juicers," the great deep sea barks, that plied principally between San Francisco and South American ports.

Nob Hill, once the home of the city's elite, shows a collection of jagged foundations, such as the great fire left it. "South of the Slot," the ancient tenements have given way to smart apartments in their midst standing the slowly disintegrating ruins of the "Mission of Sorrows," known in the Spanish as "Mission Dolores," built in 1776 by the Franciscans. It is the best memento of the romantic old San Francisco that endures.

**EARTHQUAKE MORE SEVERE
THAN FIRST REPORTED**

Inglewood, California, Suffers Loss of 21 Buildings—Many Buildings in Los Angeles Damaged.

(By The Associated Press.)

LOS ANGELES, Calif., June 22.—A survey early today of the damage done by an earthquake last night indicated that Inglewood, 10 miles southeast of here, suffered much more severely than was at first reported.

Twenty-one business buildings in the town were practically destroyed, the town was deprived of light and gas and scores of dwellings were seriously damaged.

Many plate glass windows in Los Angeles were shattered by the shock, several buildings were otherwise injured and persons were struck by bricks shaken from chimneys. San Pedro, Long Beach, Santa Monica, and Venice also reported minor damage.

The death of Mrs. William Shipley, of Los Angeles, at Venice, a beach resort, was attributed to the earthquake. She jumped from an automobile following the tremor and fell dead from heart disease. The earthquake area was confined to Los Angeles county, Inglewood bearing the brunt of its severity.

The shock which caused the damage was followed by two slighter tremors, a few minutes apart, and at 10:40 o'clock a fourth tremor was felt in the southwest section of Los Angeles, and at Inglewood. No damage resulted from these.

The front walls of the Inglewood hotel, a theater, an undertaking establishment, a real estate office, three grocery stores, two meat markets, two garages, a pool room, a drug store, furniture store, and other downtown buildings collapsed. The steeple of the Episcopal church toppled into the street and the buildings occupied by the Citizens Savings Bank and the First National Bank of Inglewood virtually were destroyed.

Several persons in Inglewood were slightly injured by falling plaster and bricks and broken glass, but no serious injuries were reported.

The Edison building and the Laughlin building, formerly separated by a space of a few inches, were found to have become closely joined after the shock.

**CIVIL WAR CONTINUES TO
PREVAIL IN LONDONDERRY**

(By The Associated Press.)

LONDONDERRY, June 22.—Civil war continued throughout today with one more death, bringing the total list to eight. Troops were protecting some of the principal streets this afternoon, but enough firing was going on to terrify the citizens and keep them in doors, resulting in a stoppage of all usual activities.

General suffering is expected if deliveries of foodstuffs are not resumed soon. Mail from the morning train was taken to the post office by a military escort, but was permitted to remain there undelivered as the postmen feared to venture on the streets.

Cross channel sailings have been suspended. Several boats are lying up in the harbor awaiting an opportunity to discharge which is impossible at present with firing going on about the docks.

LOWELL LOCALS

Correspondence of The Gazette.

LOWELL, June 22.—Mr. and Mrs. Rob Harris left Friday for Greensboro to spend several days with Mrs. Harris' mother, Mrs. Shields.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Knox spent Sunday with Mrs. Knox's sister, Mrs. G. Frank Hovis.

Those who attended the sacred revival in Gastonia last Friday evening were Misses Edith Robinson, Nell and Myrtle Titman, Mr. S. M. Robinson and Mr. Scott Anderson.

Miss Edith Robinson had for her weekend guests Miss Mary Kagan, of Gastonia, and Miss Elizabeth Brown, of Austin, Texas, who will spend several days with her.

Don't forget next Wednesday, June 23rd is clean-up day.

On Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Lowell Presbyterian church the impressive services of installing the new pastor, Rev. A. S. Anderson, took place. Rev. J. T. Denny, of Belmont, charged the people and Rev. W. S. Hamiter, of Dallas, charged the pastor. The services proper were in charge of Rev. Dr. J. H. Henderlite, of Gastonia.

Mrs. Fred Haltiwanger and children, of Charleston, S. C., arrived in town Saturday and will be the guests for some time of Mrs. Haltiwanger's sister, Mrs. T. P. Rankin.

Mrs. R. Q. Ford and children left Monday for Roanoke, Va., where they will spend some time with Mrs. Ford's father, Mr. Denny.

Mrs. J. M. Wilson returned Saturday from Charlotte, where she has been spending a few days with her son, Mr. Claude Wilson.

Miss Mary Reid, Miss Irma Reid, Miss Helen Reid, and Miss Ida Groves left Friday for Rocky Island Hotel, where they will spend some time. While there they will be recipients of many social affairs.

**MOONLIGHT NIGHTS ON
OCEAN SPELL TROUBLE
FOR OFFICIALS**

Immigration Authorities Face "Love Triangle"—British Officer Causes Girl to Forget Canadian Fiance.

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, June 22.—Immigration authorities at Ellis Island for the second time within six weeks faced today the problem of straightening out a "love triangle" born of moonlight nights on the swelling Atlantic.

Miss Nell Butler, a young English woman of 22 begged them to give her freedom at least long enough to marry Captain Paul Miller, of the British army, who made her forget in a three day courtship on board ship the Canadian officer whom she had intended to wed when she sailed ten days ago for Halifax.

Canadian authorities refused to permit Miss Butler to land at Halifax for any other purpose than to marry the Canadian and put her on the steamer Caronia, bound for England via New York. Captain Miller wireless her to stop at New York, whether he was hurrying by train. When she stopped, the Ellis Island authorities took her in charge.

Ellis Island had a somewhat similar case to solve recently when a young French woman, who had sailed for America with the intention of marrying an American soldier, embarked on the arm of a tender she had met on board. She was permitted to remain and marry the singer when the jilted soldier gave them his blessing.

RANLO NEWS

(By The Associated Press.)

RANLO, June 22.—The Young Men's Club of Ranlo proved themselves most excellent hosts when they entertained most delightfully the Girls' Clubs of Rex and Smyre at the Ranlo school building Friday evening. The young men under the leadership of Mr. F. L. Smith were most ably assisted in entertaining by Mrs. S. A. Lanier, Misses Ollie May Rhyme, Elizabeth Price, Carrie Potts, and Mabel Boyd.

A very enjoyable feature of the evening was a musical programme rendered by Misses Thelma Albright, Mabel Boyd and Margaret Wilson, of Lowell, consisting of a number of both vocal and instrumental selections. The color scheme of red and white was quite beautifully carried out in the artistic decoration of the punch bowl with a combination of Queen Anne's lace and red rosebuds, and also in the red and white block cream served with the individual white frosted cakes.

Although it was planned as primarily a social affair, it proved a most successful and enthusiastic get-together meeting and the splendid spirit of cooperation already existing among the young people of our community will be strengthened by the very brief remarks of several of the leaders in which they pledged anew their wholehearted cooperation in everything for the good of each other and of the community.

The Young Men's Club is a new organization in the community, organized by Mr. F. L. Smith, superintendent of the Ranlo school, and scoutmaster of the Ranlo Troop of Boy Scouts, having as its aim a continuation of the work for the larger boys and young men who have already reached or passed the age limit of Scout members, and is composed of a splendid group of bright, wide-awake, noble young men of whom great things are expected.

UNION LOCALS

(By The Associated Press.)

UNION, June 22.—Mr. and Mrs. George Nolen and little Miss Martha Nolen are visiting Mrs. Nolen's mother, Mrs. Mary J. Patrick. They are on their way to Washington, which will be their home from now on. Mr. Nolen, who is with the Southern railroad office force, has been living in Birmingham, Ala., but this move to Washington is in the form of a fine promotion.

Misses Lena Wilson and Pearl Henderson are attending the summer school at Asheville.

Mr. Claude Glenn, who has been ill in a hospital at Hickory, is much improved and will return home soon.

Mrs. Lamont Hand (nee Espey Craig) is ill at her home in Charlotte. Her mother, Mrs. Porter Craig, has been with her.

Miss Lucy Wilson, of Gastonia, spent the week-end visiting the family of her uncle, Mr. W. C. Wilson.

Rev. G. A. Sparrow filled the pulpit at New Hope on Sunday afternoon. Rev. and Mrs. G. A. Sparrow motored over and took with them Mr. J. M. Nolen and Miss Mary Nolen.

Miss Mildred Henderson returned from Camp Minnehaha, at Bat Cave, last week. She had been selected to represent the Camp Fire girls from her school, the Asheville Normal. She reports a splendid time, various interesting hikes, and at the same time, a busy time, as there were three lectures a day. This is the first Guardian's camp ever held in the South, and the "national field secretary" was there, being a lady with an unpronounceable, or rather unrememberable, name from New Zealand.

GAFFNEY, 1.010.

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Gaffney, S. C., 5.010; increase 243, or 5.1 per cent.

**ANNOUNCE NEW DRIVE:
AGAINST RADICALISM**

Will Go After Theoretical Red and Parlor Bolshevik—Department of Justice is Armed With Broadened Powers.

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Armed with broadened powers provided in the recently enacted alien exclusion act, department of justice officials today announced a new drive against radicalism.

Orders have been issued, department officials said, for a strict watch on the activities of those who preach radical theories while themselves refraining from anarchistic activities. The "theoretical red" and the "parlor bolshevik" are to be special objects of the department's campaign, it was said. Provisions of the new act have greatly widened the scope of the department's powers to rid the country of aliens who stir up discontent with guarded revolutionary doctrines.

Advocacy either of sabotage or opposition to all organized government by aliens or their organizations is sufficient to bring them within the new law, according to the department's legal authorities. Sabotage in this connection is construed by the department to mean "opposition to the administration of the government" and aliens who publish writings advising against organized government—even though the United States is exempted—are liable to deportation, it was said.

NIELSEN GETS APPOINTMENT.

(By The Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, June 22.—Fred K. Nielsen, of Nebraska, was appointed today by President Wilson to be solicitor of the department of state, and Roland B. Mahany, of New York, as solicitor of the department of labor.

"13"—A LUCKY NUMBER.

(By The Associated Press.)

GANOC CAMP FIRE GIRLS WIN HONORS AS WOODGATHERERS.

The Ganoca Camp Fire girls, under the guardianship of Miss Marian Harvey, gathered in regular tribal fashion on the beautiful lawn adjoining the residence of Mr. Andrew E. Moore last night at 8 o'clock and were decorated with the honors of First Rank, bearing the name of Goodgatherers.

To those familiar with the camp life of the Indians the ceremony was realistic. Clad in ceremonial gowns of their own make, with headbands of Indian beads and moccasins, the candidates squatted in true squaw fashion around the glowing fagots of a real camp fire in the wide driveway, and to the accompaniment of the guitar sang the songs of the Indians and of camp life and were the recipients of much applause from the many friends who had gathered to witness the ceremony.

To those who have a preconceived idea that the Camp Fire is all play and recreation the ceremony would have been a revelation and the tasks performed by the girls are beyond the requirements of many of maturer years. To become the possessor of the coveted honor it was required that the candidate must have been a member of the camp for three months and must have performed at least ten tasks of helpfulness and service in three consecutive months. The more important tasks performed by the girls included the identifying of ten harmful insects and the best methods of destroying same; perfect attendance at school for three months, sickness not an excuse; the making of dresses; the care of a room at home for one month; four different methods of cooking eggs; attending ten religious services in the prescribed time; not being tardy at school; the serving of two formal dinners including preparation, cooking, serving and decorations; the preparing of breakfast for the family for one month and memorizing one hundred verses of the Bible. One of the contest ants, and a smaller one at that, had made ten dresses in the time limit. The tests also included the making of their uniforms, ceremonial gowns and bead headbands. As each member related the tasks performed she was decorated with a string of ten honors, represented by ten large beads of different colors, and after each decoration the camp pledge of love and loyalty was repeated in concert. Misses Virginia and Rachel Henderlite, Rebecca Hoke, May McLean, Frances Robinson, Della Stowe, Evelyn Boyd, Elizabeth Ragan, Sarah Gardner, Womba McCombs, Frances Hardin, Margaret Warren and Grace Johnston were the successful candidates and elicited much praise for their accomplishments. Mrs. Andrew Moore was a charming hostess to the assembled ladies and Mr. Moore proved an entertaining host to the visiting gentlemen. Among the invited guests were Mesdames Rufus Johnston, R. C. McLean, J. H. Henderlite, Jean Harvey, W. Y. Warren, George B. Gillespie, Misses Macie Potts, Tixena Sloan, Edith Pickett, Royce Dr. George Henderlite, Archie Means, Reverend J. H. Henderlite, D. D., and G. B. Gillespie. It is to be hoped that Camp Fires will be organized in every church, school and community in Gaston county. A Guardian's Association will be organized tomorrow afternoon in the office of the First Presbyterian church.

**MERCHANTS ASKED TO
CO-OPERATE IN CAMPAIGN**

State Board of Health Suggests That Merchants Help to Advise Approaching Anti-Typhoid Campaign

(By The Associated Press.)

As has been repeatedly announced in The Gazette for the past three or four weeks, an anti-typhoid campaign will be inaugurated in Gaston county next Monday, June 28th, to continue for one month. The state and county boards of health are doing all in their power to awaken public interest in the campaign and the necessity for inoculation. Publicity is needed, and the following letter from Dr. J. Sam Mitchener, of the State Board of Health, may give a hint to the enterprising merchants of the city and county:

The Gazette, Gastonia, N. C. Gentlemen: I am hoping that you will give every aid you can to make the typhoid campaign a success in your county. Where we get good newspaper publicity, good results are usually obtained.

I wish to suggest this to you. This idea was used very successfully last year: Upon request, all business firms carrying advertisements mention the typhoid campaign in some way in their usual advertisement. The advertisers thought this good for them, as it changed their usual routine. The newspapers secured new advertisements to aid in such good cause.

I merely mention this, believing that you may do likewise, to your advantage and advantage of the cause.

Yours very truly,
J. S. MITCHENER
Acting Collaborating Epidemiologist.

**REV. FORREST MADDOX IS
ENGAGED A YEAR AHEAD**

The following letter from Rev. Forrest Maddox, who conducted the evangelistic services at the First Baptist church, will be of interest:

Guthrie, Oklahoma, June 13, 1920.

Hotel Armington, Gastonia, N. C.

Dear All of You:—

I reached home O. K. and have had a great time with Mrs. Maddox and the kiddies. Oklahoma is in her glory now. The pastures are a riot of green and the fields are far advanced with their crops. It is good to be here again. I have lost all count of days since returning and am beginning to dread the inevitable day of departure. However, if my next meeting takes me among such good people as I found in Gastonia, it will not be so bad. Looking over my dates I find that I am now booked a year ahead.

I am greatly indebted to the Armington Hotel for abundant courtesies shown me the two weeks I was your guest. From the standpoint of order and morals, you are a superior set—from the dignified manager to the youngest bell hop, I am far the whole of you.

With best wishes for your every interest, and a prayer for your spiritual welfare, I am,

Sincerely yours,
FORREST MADDOX.

STRIKE SITUATION UNCHANGED.

(By The Associated Press.)

BALTIMORE, June 22.—The railroad strike situation in the Baltimore district was virtually unchanged today. An official of the Pennsylvania line estimated that between 35 and 40 per cent of their yardmen were back at work, while the Baltimore & Ohio reported that 60 per cent of their men were still out.

C. W. Galloway, vice president of the Baltimore & Ohio, in charge of operations, said that as far as that road was concerned, the situation was unchanged over yesterday.

There has been no interference with the passenger service of either road, it was stated, and the roads have been able to handle foodstuffs without restriction.

**HOTEL CLERK GETS 15 YEARS
FOR BIG JEWEL ROBBERY**

(By The Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, June 22.—James E. Foye, former hotel clerk who was convicted last week of the theft of \$350,000 worth of jewels from Mrs. Regina V. G. Millhiser, a wealthy widow, of Richmond, Va., who was residing at the hotel Baltimore, in May, 1919, was sentenced today to 15 years in Sing Sing.

Foye has had considerable time in which to recover \$25,000 worth of the jewels still missing, but has not done so, the judge said in sentencing him.

CRISIS ARISES.

LONDON, June 22.—A crisis has arisen in the negotiations going on between Premier Lloyd George and Gregory Krasin, Russian bolshevik minister for trade and commerce, which may result in the definite breaking off of conversations and the departure of M. Krasin from London, according to the Herald, organ of labor.

The newspaper adds the crisis was precipitated by the premier insisting that before negotiations go any further the soviet government must promise compensation to British financiers who have vested interests in Russia. M. Krasin, it is said, offered to discuss this matter at a peace conference, but was met by what is declared to have been a virtual ultimatum.