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PROHIBITION ISSUE WILL FURNISH BIG FIGHT AT FRISCO

Question Shall Spend Itself Behind Closed Doors — Bur-' lleson Speaks.

(By The Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, June 23 .- Rumblings of discord over the prohibition issue became hourly more ominous today as delegates and party chiefs arrived in increasing numbers for the national convention.

Hope that the gathering storm might spend itself behind the closed doors of the platform committee virtually was abandoned by the leaders and they prepared to face an outbreak of tempestuous debate on the floor of the convention itself.

Such a development, it was agreed everywhere, would hold many dramatic possibilities, including a further complication of the uncertain outlook as to the presidential nomination.

Aiready the overshadowing issue in pre-convention conferences, the question of a platform declaration against the present "bone dry" law almost took the whole stage for itself today as the gathering delegates heard of Postmaster General Burleson's announcement for a modification of the Volstead act. By many accustomed to regard the postmaster general as a political spokesman for the white house, the development was accepted as a warning of which way the wind of administration influence would blow.

Others among the party leaders refused to take that view, but no one here assumed to know with certainty how far the mentiments of President Wilson might be in accord with those of Mr. Burleson.

The latter, who announced his stand yesterday at San Antonio, Tex., will not reach San Francisco until late in the week.

What everyone here does know, however, is that both sides of the controversy are cementing their lines and bringing their beaviest artillery for a finish fight. After many conferences in an effort to lay a basis for harmony, Homer S. Cummings, the national chairman, said today it seemed a "fair bet" that the question would be taken to the convention floor for a settlement regardless of what demittee.

Closely intertwined with the prohibition question is the problem of selecting a nominee in accord with the platform as finally agreed on, and among many of the practical politicians there is a feeling that the two decisions must be settled virtually at one stroke. So the pleas of candidates' managers are falling on deaf ears for the present while the leaders get their bearings on the more immediate question of a bone dry or a beer plat-

The league of nations disagreement, along with several other disputed platform issues, has followed the question of candidates into temporary eclipse, Among most of the leaders it is agreed that whatever trouble develops over the treaty will be only a drop in the bucket compared to the prohibition fight.

Leaders of the bone dry forces were confident today that they would command a good majority in the platform committee, where each state has only one member, and could keep out of the committee report any declaration for a change in the present law. With this view most of the opposing managers privately agreed, but they declared that when an appeal was taken to the convention itself the vote would tell a much different story. The large states, it was pointed out, while having only one vote apiece in the comimttee, will have a much greater voice in the whole body of delegates who make up the final court of appeals. And most of the largest delegations are counted on for support by the advocates of a beer plank.

A complicating feature of a convention floor fight would be the unit rule, under which many state delogations are instructed to vote as a body. It was suggested today, however, that there might be a general agreement to let each delegate be counted according to his convictions when the prohibition issue came to its final showdown. On that basis both sides were predicting victory and many of those in position to know were declaring the outcome would be close.

Some of the oldest leaders declared, in fact, that the division might be close enough to make argument and oratory on the convention floor the deciding factor. In any case, such an open fight would be thrilling turns.

William Jennings Bryan would be expected to head the "bone drys" and he probably/ would find pitted against him

strategists and orators of the first rank. W. Bourke Cochran, of New York, was mentioned as one of these who might be asked to match wits and eloquence with the Nebraskan in the convention

Although Mr. Bryan is expected to make a fight also against the administration treaty plank, the general belief of his friends here is that he will reserve his greatest effort for the prohibition prob-lem. He is expected to reach San Fran-cisco late in the week, though the treaty fireworks may start with the arrival late ers still were predicting that he would be solly of Senator Carter Glass, of Virthe flomines.

BASEBALL FANS WITNESS A REAL GAME HERE

Clara Defeats Arlington in Thirteen Inning Game — Looked Like Big League Playing.

In a long, hotly contested and friendly game the Clara mill team of the Gaston County League emerged victors over the Arlington mill at the end of the 13th inning. The game was played on the South Broad street grounds Saturday afternoon and was replete with features. The work of Milburn and Abernethy, the battery for Clara, was faultless and errorless, Abernethy winning the game in the last half of the thirteenth inning by lining out a clean cut three bagger. Hall, Patterson and Holland did splendid battery work for the Arlington boys and the Clara boys were thoroughly imbued with the fact they had been engaged in a real

McADENVILLE DEFEATS LOWELL. Correspondence of The Gazette.

McADENVILLE, June 23 .- McAdenville won over Lowell here yesterday afternoon by a score of 11 to 7. The game was very slow from start to finish. Bolick, Lowell's short stop, got hit by a batted ball in the sixth inning and had to retire from the game. The writer does not remember the name of Lowell's first pitcher, who took the short stop's place when Bolick got hit. Lowery went in to pitch. The game was played late in the evening and balls and strikes were hard to distinguish. This caused the writer, who umpired the game, to make some bum decisions, which looked bad to him afterwards, but umps have off days as well as players. This was one of them. Batteries: Lowell, Lowery and Crews; McAdenville, Brittain and Johnson. Umpire, Brown.

MERCHANTS WILL CONTINUE PRESENT ARRANGEMENT

Will Close Saturday Night at 8 o'Clock as Usual — Will Not Close on Wednesday after-

Merchants not already closing on Wednesday afternoons decided at a meeting at the Chamber of Commerce this mornng not to close on Wednesday afternoon and to continue the present Saturday night closing at 8 o'clock. The meeting was largely attended. The matter came up in the form of a petition from fiftyone salesladies asking for the summer months. After giving the matter thorough consideration it was decided that it would be impossible to cut down the hours any more than at present.

YALE GIVES GEN. PERSHING

HONORARY DEGREE OF LL. D. NEW HAVEN, Conn., June 23,-Yale University at its 219th commencement exereises in Woolsey Hall today, conferred the following honorary degree of doctors

John Joseph Pershing, who commanded the American expeditionary force; Thomas Dewitt Cuyler, railroad administrator and war time chairman of the Association of Railroad Executives; the Right Hon, Sir Auckland Campbell Geddes, British ambassador to the United States, and Jean Adrien Antoine Jules Jusserand, French ambassador to the United States.

ginia, who is credited with holding Presi dent Wilson's commission to write the administration league of nations plank.

Senator Glass is the leading candidate for chairman of the platform committee and the general prediction today was that he would be chosen for that position with little opposition. Some of the anti-administration managers had not abandoned hope, however, that they might combine their forces to elect some one else.

Chairman Cummings said today that it still was an open question whether the adoption of the platform or the choice of a nominee would come first on the convention program. The prospect of a prolonged fight in committee over prohibition and perhaps some other subjects has led to the movement to go ahead with balloting while the committee sits. The usual order is to dispose of the platform first, however, and the general feeling seemed to be that custom would be followed.

Such talk as there was today regard ing candidates seemed to strengthen the prospects of a deadlock for several ballots. Some of those in the inner circle of plans said it was hard to conceive how likely, it is predicted, to furnish many the two-thirds necessary to nominate could be brought into one column for two or three roll calls at least and they pointed out that if two or three candidates divided the bulk of the voting strength among them, favorite sons and dark horses would be encouraged to prolong the deadlock by holding to their balance of power.

In the generally accepted view the withdrawal of William G. McAdoo will operate to make a deadlock more likely by distributing more or less widely the strength which had been lined up behind him. Some thought, however, that a considerable following would vote for him despite his public withdrawal, while the most enthusiastic of the McAdoo support-

BAPTISTS TO DISCUSS CHURCH PROBLEMS

All-Day Meeting of Pastors and Deacons of County Association at Sandy Plains on July 5th.

Plans are being made for a meeting at Sandy Plains Baptist church in the Union section on Monday July 5th, when various church problems will be discussed. This meeting will be conducted by the deacons and pastors of the Gaston County Baptist Association. There will be two sessions, the first beginning at 10 o'clock picuic dinner on the grounds.

Following is the program, the general topic for the day being "The Business ton county against typhoid fever. Al-Side of the Church'':

"Importance of Business Methods in the Church," by W. H. Wray. "Plans of Finance"-Discussion of

pew rents, bazaars, suppers, entertainments, congregational collections, by J. B. Brown. Discussion of special collect public spirited ladies endorsed the camtions, collectors, envelopes, by R. B. Suggs.

"Designation of Gifts." L. J. Waldrop.

"Every Member Canvass," W. L Walters. "The Baptist Foundation," R. S

Lewis. "The 75 Million Campaign and Our Finances," R. F. Craig.

RALLY FOR FARMERS

The committees appointed by Farm Demonstration Agent C. Lee Gowsn and Home Demonstration Agent Miss Nell Pickens, will meet at the court ohuse in Gastonia tomorrow afternoon, Thursday, at 3:00 o'clock. The purpose of this meeting is to arrange a suitable date for a big farmers' rally, to be held some time during the summer. District Agent E. S. Millsaps will speak at this conference of the committeemen. In order to insure the success of the rally each member of the committees should be present at the meeting Thursday afternoon.

A list of the names of those members

FARM BUREAU COMMITEES. Cherryville Township.

Chairman: M. L. Rudisill, Liucolnton. L. A. Barbee, Lincolnton. L. Clay Harrelson, Cherryville. M. L. Mauney, Cherryville. Van Sellers, Kings Mountain. Walden Weaver, Bessemer City. Mrs. J. J. Craft, Cherryville. Miss Pearl Harrelson, Cherryville. Mrs. George Falls, Cherryville. Mrs. J. D. Phifer, Bessemer City. Mrs. Spargo Carpenter, Lincolnton

Crowders Mountain Township.

Chairman: Mrs. A. T. Lindsay, Gas

C. C. Kiser, Bessemer City. R. C. Kennedy, Bessemer City. J. R. Carson, Gastonia, R. 3. A. G. Gantt, Kings Mountain. Miss Maggie Gamble, Bessemer City. Mrs. J. C. Owens, Bessemer City. Mrs. Sallie Carson Lackey, Bessemer

Dallas Township.

Chairman: J. W. Summey, Dallas, L. M. Hoffman, Jr., Dailas. S. C. Hendricks, Gastonia. Dailey Derr, Dallas. Bert Cloninger, Dallas, W. M. Little, Dallas, R. E. T. T. Garrison, Alexis. Mrs. R. L. Lineberger, Alexis Mrs. Dailey Derr, Dallas. Mrs J. H. Rudisill, Dallas Mrs. Joe Gribble, Dallas. Mrs. T. L. Rhyne, Dallas, R. 2. Mrs. Hester Lineberger, Dallas, R. 2

Gastonia Township. Chairman: W. A. Falls, Gastonia. J. F. Jackson, Gastonia. Thos. Sparrow, Gastonia. Fred M. Allen, Gastonia. H. F. Forbes, Bowling Green, S. C.

C. B. Armstrong, Gastonia. S. N. Boyce, Gastonia. M. A. Carpenter, Gastonia. V. E. Long, Gastonia. T. W. Wilson, Gastonia. Mrs. R. M. Falls, Gastonia, R. 4. Mrs. Will Jenkins, Gastonia, R. 4. Mrs. John Robinson, Gastonia. Miss Macie Oates, Gastonia, R. 4. Mrs. W. Z. Ferguson, Gastonia.

Mrs. Bert Rhyne, Gastonia, R. 2. River Bend Township. Chairman: R. K. Davenport, Mt

Holly. J. R. Rodgers, Mt. Holly. R. G. Rhyne, Mt. Holly. A. U. Stroup, Mt. Holly. Miss Rosabel Rogers, Mt. Holly. Miss Edith Mason, Stanley. Mrs. H. A. Clemmer, Lowell. Mrs. George Cansler, Mt. Holly.

South Point Township. Chairman: Lucius Henderson, Gas tonia.

J. R. Gaston, Belmont. W. A. Leeper, Belmont. W. T. McLean, Belmont. J. W. Hanna, Lowell, R. 1. Miss Addie Leeper, Belmont, B. 1. Miss Pearl Stowe, Lowell, R. 2. Miss Fannie Wilson, Gastonia, R. 3.

WILL ACITIVELY SUPPORT ANTI - TYPHOID CAMPAIGN

Woman's Club and Ministerial Alliance Give Endorsement to Campaign — Will Begin Monday, June 28.

Not many years ago death by typhoid fever and other diseases was thought to be providential and a disease which could not be prevented. But, today, people are coming more and more to realize the value of scientific treatment of diseases of every kind. And, answering the demands of the people of the state. Dr. C. and the second immediately following S. Mangum, assisted by Dr. Will B. Hunter, came to Gastonia Monday to prepare the way for a campaign in Gasready several influential organizations of the town have given their endorsement to this movement and promised their active support in making it a complete success in Gaston. At a meeting of the Women's Club Monday afternoon those paign both for the elimination of tuberculosis and typhoid fever. Dr. Spruill addressed the club in the interest of the tubercular campaign, while Dr. C. S. Mangum spoke of the campaign for the elimination of typhoid fever. The admirable community spirit of the ladies of the club was manifested in their hearty endorsement of both movements. Another very influential body, the pastors, in a meeting Tuesday afternoon passed a resolution promising their ear-

> typhoid fever. Among the fifty thousand people of Gaston county there are only two men who are officially engaged in the campaign against typhoid fever and tuberculosis. Consequently in order to wage a successful campaign against the two diseases, tuberculosis and typhoid fever, the enthusiastic support of every man and woman is needed in giving the campaign the widest publicity possible.

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to free Gaston county of tuberculosis and

W. J. BRYAN SAYS McADOO IS TOO CLOSE TO PRESIDENT

possible democratic candidates for the | ner puts bitterness into it. Mr. Morrison article in his newspaper, The Commoner, declares that William G. McAdoo is handicapped as a candidate "by his close relationship with the president," while President Wilson himself, he says, "need not be considered."

Asserting that Mr. McAdoo is also handicapped by "his silence on the peace treaty, " Mr. Bryan declares Mr. McAdoo. is unable to call to his support "those to whom the president's candidacy are pealed with special force" and that he would "furnish on easy mark for all of the president's enemies." The article says, however, that Mr. McAdoo has considerable strength among wage earners.

Referring to President Wilson Mr. Bryan says that "While vague hints and suggestions have been thrown out occasionally, no one claiming to speak for the president or near enough to him to be assumed to express his wishes has announced his candidacy."

Herbert Hoover is eliminated from the list of cambidates whom Mr. Bryan considers "available," while Senator Owen, of Oklahoma, and Secretary of Agricul ture Meredith any described as being commong the few available men thus far mentioned. "

To be available this year, Mr. Biyan asserts, a candidate must be known to be for woman suffrage, for prohibition and "against Wall Street."

As to Attorney Ceneral Palmer, Mr. Bryan says he entered the campaign in a position to " deal sternly with the profiteer and an expectant public stood ready to appland, but the profiteer seems to have things his own way and the attorney general is now suffering from the reaction." He adds that the attorney general is "unfortunate, too, in having to esponse the ratification of the freats without reservations."

Former Speaker Champ Clark is mentioned as having his own state beaind him, while oppositive to Governor Edwards, of New Jersey, and Governor Cox, of Ohio, is reiterated.

"Governor Cox's friends," the article decirres, "will urge him as a compro mise between the wets of the Edwards type and the bone drys." Vice President Marshall is accused of

making a feeble bid for the "wet vote." "Judge Gerard's candidacy has South Dakota's support and he has many per sonal friends among other delegates.' Mr. Bryan says.

-The following A. P. message today will be of interest to Boy Scouts: CHARLESTON, S. C., June 23-All amateur wireless operators throughout the United States are requested to be at their posts at 7 p. m. tonight when a message by naval radio from Secretary E. T. Meredith, of agriculture, will be finshed to the boy scouts of America, it was announced at the Charleston navy yard headquarters today.

The members of the Senior B. Y. P. U. of the First Baptist church enjoyed a delightful picnic at High Shoals yesterday. The party was composed of about forty young people.

MORRISON AND GARDNER IN JOINT DEBATE

Managers of Two Candidates Agree to Joint Debate — Will Hold First In Raleigh Monday Night.

W. M. Richardson, in Charlotte Ob server.)

RALEIGH, June 22,-Following a conference between Heriot Clarkson, campaign manager for Cameron Morrison, and J. Crawford Biggs, manager for Max Gardner, the following statement was issued tonight:

"The following arrangements for the the joint discussion between Cameron Morrison and O. Max Gardner, candidates for the democratic nomination for governor, in the democratic primary on July 3, 1920, are hereby agreed upon between the campaign managers of the respective candidates:

"The joint discussion will be held in the auditorium in the city of Raleigh, at 8 p. m. on Monday, June 28, 1920. Covernor T. W. Bickett will preside.

"Mr. Morrison will open with a speech of one hour. Mr. Gardner will follow with a speech of one hour. Mr. Morrison will make rejoinder of thirty minutes. Mr. Gardner will follow for thirty minutes.

"Dated this 22d day of June, 1920. "HERIOT CLARKSON, "For Cameron Morrison. "J. CRAWFORD BIGGS,

"For O. Max Gardner."

Cameron Morrison today, through his manager, isused a definite challenge to O. Max Gardner to meet him in joint debate. Judge Bigge accepted the challenge for Gardner for next Monday night, suggesting the debate be in Ral-

If the discussion is held here, it bids fair to draw an auditorium full of people. That will be between 5,000 and 6,000, and it is likely that the audience pulpits next Sunday morning. will be made up of people from all parts of the state.

Mr. Morrison's telegram to Manager Clerkson, to arrange the joint discussion, came from Troy. Mr. Morrison had evidently read Mr. Gardner's utterances at Waynesville.

Whether the debate is filled with "bit-LINCOLN, Neb., June 23.-Discussing terness' depends on whether Mr. Garduggested the meeting only after hearing of slanderous reports that had been cir culated against him, and his answer was that if Mr. Gardner could prove them, if his supporters were responsible for them, he should meet him out in the open, face to face, and do so.

> Before Mr. Morrison telegraphed Mr. Clarkson today, the latter issued a statement to the effect that, as Mr. Morrison's manager, he was ready to arrange the debate. Judge Biggs said:

"I do not care to add anything as to what Mr. Cardaer was quoted in the morning papers as having said." Then came Mr. Morrison's telegram

to his manager, which reads as follows: "See Biggs. Arrange joint discussion beginning Monday." Mr. Clarason tion sent Judge Biggs a

letter, citing Mr. Morrison's telegram, and winding up with the sentence; "I will be pleased to arrange a joint discussion at once.

The Observer correspondent called Judge Biggs over the telephone this afternoon, and he said that he had been in communication with Mr. Gardner and serepted the challenge in his behalf. He said he thought there ought to be but one discussion. He said he thought the affair ought to be staged in Raleigh.

MANY GASTONIANS GET **RED CROSS SERVICE BADGES**

The American Red Cross is awarding service badges to all those who rendered four handred hours or more service. The following members of the Gaston County Chapter have received service badges:

V. F. Long, S. A. Robinson, J. H. Se park, A. G. Myers, Mrs. C. V. Biake, Mrs. 1. Traywork, Mrs. S. A. Robinson, Mrs. R. D. Atkins, Mrs. F. C. Michael, Miss Lowry Sauford, Miss May Tatiock, Miss Edith Robinson, Mrs. Sarah Reid, Mrs. G. Frank Hovis, Miss Mary Ford, Miss Bessie Cox, Mrs. W. G. Hamner, Mrs. J. White Ware, Mrs. J. H. Kennedy Miss Jennie Pegram, Miss Willie Mc Kemy, Mrs. B. F. Dixon, Mrs. D. A. Garrison, Mrs. F. P. Hall, Coit M. Robinson, Mrs. A. F. Weir, Mrs. J. L. Thompson, Mrs. T. P. Rankin, Mrs. W. H. Holmes, Miss Moena Hand, Miss Annie Ford, Miss Claudia Baker.

Any others who are entitled to these badges may receive same by applying to Miss Georgia Copeland, secretary, Gastonia.

Miss Copeland has recently been appointed home service secretary of the Gaston County Chapter, American Red Cross, to succeed Miss May Tatlock, who has been secretary for the past two years.

Miss Copeland calls the attention of all ex-soldiers to the fact that July 1st is the last day on which government insurance can be reinstated without having a medical examination and by paying two months premium. All ex-service men are urged to reinstate at once. Blanks may be had from the Red Cross Chapter headquarters at the post office.

GASTONIA MINISTERIAL **ALLIANCE REORGANIZED**

Pastors of City Churches Revive Organization For Con-certed Cooperation in Re-ligious Matters — Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway President.

(By Rev. G. R. Gillespie.)

Quoting one of the members, "after a serene, calm, quiet and peaceful sleep of eight months duration," the Ministerial Alliance of Gastonia awakened to action Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock in the parlor of the First Presbyterian church. The meeting was called to order by Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway and opened with prayer by Rev. W. J. Roach. An election of officers for the ensuing year was held and Rev. Dr. J. C. Galloway was unanimously re-elected president. Dr. Galloway has served, in a most acceptable manner, in this capacity for a number of years, having gained the love and fellowship of all the ministers of all denominations who have come and gone in that time. Rev. Dr. J. H. Henderlite. who has served the alliance as secretary for seven years, was renominated for that office, but in his most compelling and urbane manner declined re-election. Bev. G. R. Gillespie was elected secretary for 1920.

Rev. J. W. C. Johnston, rector of St. Mark's Episcopal church, was cordially received into membership.

Dr. C. S. Mangum, of the state board of health, was attentively listened to as he gave a fund of valuable information regarding the typhoid fever situation in Gaston county and its prevention by inceulation. In the absence of Dr. Spruill he also spoke favorably for a tuberculosis hospital. The campaigns being inaugurated and carried on by Drs. Mangum and Spruill were given the hearty endorsement of the alliance and all preachers in Gaston county are requested to stress this public health work from their

Rev. Dr. Ernest N. Orr, of Charlotte, was invited to come to Gastonia in the interest of the Interchurch World Movement and deliver an illustrated lecture on the subject in the First Presbyterian church Friday night, July 2, at 8 o'clock.

The summer union services of the downtown churches will be resumed and Rev. A. L. Stanford will preach the sermon at the first of the services to be held terian church Sunday night, July 4, at 8

Members present at the meeting were Reverends J. C. Galloway, D. D., J. H. Henderlite, D. D., H. H. Jordan, J. W. C. Johnson, A. L. Stanford, W. J. Roach and G. R. Gillespie. The meeting adjourned to meet the first Monday in July.

For the benefit of the ministers of Gastonia who have not heretofore taken an active interest in the Ministerial Alliance, may we not take the liberty of calling to their attention the fact that this Alliance, not alone to ministers but as affecting the moral life of the city in general, is one of, if not the most important organization, in the city and if effective, is the pulse of the city's religious and moral life; safeguarding every avenue of the church and closely aliled with all the problems directly and vitally affecting the commercial, industrial and civic life of the community. The forces of the devil are thoroughly and strongly organized and we need a strong organization to combat their soul deadening influences. We can not have it, minus interest and co-operation. As brothers in Christ let us stand shoulder to shoulder as witnesses for Him and His sentinels, that we may properly, courageously and effectively control and contribute to the moral and spiritual upbuilding of Gastonia man and womanhood. The minister of every church in Gastonia, central, east, south and west, is cerdially invited and most heartily erged to become a regular member at the next meeting, the first Monday in July.

WOOLWORTH BUILDING TO BE ENCUMBERED WITH MORTGAGE

(By The Associated Press.) NEW YORK, June 23 .- For the first ime since its erection a decade ago the Woolworth building-tallest office structure in the world -is to be encumbered by a mortgage.

It was announced today that heirs of the late F. W. Woolworth, founder of a chain of five and ten cent stores, had arranged to borrow \$3,000,000 on the structure to provide ready funds to meet state and federal inheritance taxes which total \$8,000,000.

The Woolworth building, 792 feet high and covering nearly an acre of land in lower Broadway, returns an annual income of \$1,550,000 and is valued by financial experts at \$10,000,000.

BALTIMORE HAS ANOTHER BIG \$1,000,000 FIRE (By The Associated Press)

BALTIMORE, June 23 - Starting within several hundred feet of where the great fire of 1904 which wiped out Baltimore's business district, flames early this morning practically wrecked the seven story building at 37 Hopkins Place, and quickly spread to four other structures.

On Tuesday, June 22, 1920, to Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Armstrong, at the Armington hotel, a son.