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CONVENTION HAS IMPORTANT WORK STILL TO ACCOMPLISH

It Looks as if a big Floor Fight Over Prohibition will take place Bryan and Colby to speak half hour on this

FIGHT OVER LEAGUE NATIONS

San Francisco, July 2.—Behind the schedule and with the harvest and most important work still ahead of the convention resumed its sitting at ten o'clock today to hear the report of the platform committee and face the inevitable floor fight over the prohibition question as well as the League of Nations and Irish question. The midnight efforts to compose differences over the wet and dry issue in the platform committee faced and announced the question would be fought out on the floor of the convention. Under the program agreed upon, Bryan will present his side in a speech limited to thirty minutes and Secretary of State Colby will present the committee managers' side in another thirty minutes. Bryan is attempting to get in a bone dry plank. Arrangement for speeches however does not confine the discussion to one hour for any number of persons desiring to speak if Chairman recognizes them. It is believed that to day's session may last far into the night with a brief recess for dinner. Whether the floor battles will be ended in time to take up the balloting for a nominee before the convention would have to quit from sheer exhaustion was a question.

San Francisco, July 2.—Resolutions committee drafted platform laid before the convention today for adoption of a conflict to the convention is regarded certain. Irish sympathizers among the delegates were served notice that they seek to have that plank rewritten to include a flat declaration were a diplomatic recognition of the Irish Republic. Being decisively defeated in his efforts to force a bone dry declaration into the committee structure, Bryan announced his purpose of renewing the battle on the floor. He also had several amendments to the committee planks to present to the convention, he admitted, but did not disclose them. The committee platform was silent on the prohibition enforcement. It was a long document more than seven thousand words, efforts to produce brief emphatic statements of principles are being balked at outset by the wide range of subjects treated, including agriculture, labor, soldier relief, and a score of domestic questions. The forecast was a plank endorsing the League of Nations and condemning the Republican senate for having stood in the way of a world peace. The Irish plank was merely renewed objections to the expressions of the Democratic party's sympathy with the Irish aspirations for self government. The Mexican plank urged the new Mexican government to be recognized when it proved its ability to maintain order and also signified to willingness to meet international obligations and protect foreigners' claims of

BEST CROPS IN FIVE YEARS IN NORTH DAKOTA

The Labor Situation Has Improved Greatly

WAGES ARE HIGH

Minot, N. D., July 2.—For the first time in five years indications point to good crops in Northwestern North Dakota, according to reports received here by bankers. Heavy rains of the past few weeks have given good impetus to growing grains and crops are in excellent condition, the reports say. Corn acreage in the Northwestern part of the state, bankers estimate, has been increased 30 to 40 percent over past seasons while a large percentage of flax also has been sown.

The labor situation on North Dakota farms has improved greatly and in the opinion of United States employment officials here there will be no lack of labor in the harvest fields. Many inquiries have been received from persons in the east who wish to work on North Dakota farms during the harvest. The usual number of college students are expected to be in the fields; many inquiries have already been received from them. Wages being paid by the farmers now are unusually high.

COTTON MARKET	
July	38.38
October	35.05
December	32.75
January	31.26
March	30.90

Republican public economy branded a false pretense. Another plank discussed "a shocking disclosure of the lavish use of money" by candidates for Republican Presidential nomination and "the conviction of the Republican senator" from Michigan charged with violating the campaign expenditure laws.

San Francisco, July 2.—The delay of the platform committees to report has caused hundreds of delegates to become impatient and many are ready to support a move to shorten the discussion on the report. They fear a deadlock in balloting and don't want the convention to run beyond tomorrow. Voting for the nominee begins immediately after the platform adoption, unless a recess intervenes. There was talk of taking one or two ballots so as to get a lineup of the delegates then take a recess in order to allow the various managers to plan for the final drive.

LABOR PARTY HOLDS CONCLAVE JULY 11-13

Sunday The First Day will be Given Over to Hearing Speeches

TO MEET IN CHICAGO

Chicago, Ill., July 2.—The program of the convention of the Labor Party of the United States, to be held in Chicago, July 11 to 13, is announced by secretary Frank J. Esper.

The first day, Sunday, will be given over to hearing addresses from various organizations. These include the Friends of Freedom for India, the Proportional Representation League, and the American Friends of Irish Freedom. Governor Lynn J. Frazier, of North Dakota is scheduled to speak in behalf of the Nonpartisan League. It is regarded by secretary Esper as very probable that the Labor Party of Canada will be represented by fraternal delegates.

The Nonpartisan League will be represented by fraternal delegates but will not participate otherwise in the convention, Max S. Hayes, of Cleveland, chairman of the National Labor Party will preside.

Nominations for president and vice-president are scheduled for Tuesday if the convention is then ready to act. Platform is also to be adopted then.

WILL USE ONLY 25 CENT PIECES

Dawson, Y. T., July 2.—Though luxury taxes call for small coins the Yukon Department League has rejected a proposal to introduce dimes and nickels into local circulation. Dawson never has had any smaller coin than the twenty-five cent piece and will adhere to it.

HUNS WANT ARMY OF 200,000 MEN

Paris, July 2.—The German Chancellor will insist on Spa maintenance of a German army of two hundred the restriction of the territories now occupied by the Allied troops and deducting the cost of allied occupation from amount reparations due according to the terms of the Versailles peace treaty.

FINISH BOAT WITH 1000 TONS PRINT PAPER REACH BRAZIL

Rio De Janeiro, July 1.—What is said to be the first Finnish steamer to enter this port has arrived here, the Garryvale, of the Finland Transoceanic company. Of more interest to newspaper owners, however, was the cargo of 1,000 tons of print paper from Scandinavia for local delivery. The shortage and consequent high price of print paper is the most important question confronting Brazilian newspapers.

R. G. SHACKELL EDITOR TARBORO SOUTHERNER

Resigns As Secretary Of Chamber Of Commerce

CAN DO MORE GOOD

Mr. R. G. Shackell, secretary of the Edgecombe Chamber of Commerce of Tarboro since its organization several months ago, has resigned from that body and has assumed the editorship of The Tarboro Southerner.

Mr. F. V. Farris, who has been connected with the paper for some time, tendered his resignation as editor, on July 1.

With Mr. Shackell at the helm we predict that The Southerner will succeed in every particular. As he is a rare business judgment, and a journalist of distinction.

His many friends in Scotland Neck join The Commonwealth in wishing him success in his new undertaking.

GARDNER WILL BE ELECTED GOVERNOR

We notice that friends and supporters of Cameron Morrison are very busy distributing literature in behalf of the above named gentleman's candidacy for Governor.

According to our way of thinking, although we may be wrong, we think that it will take more than literature to elect Mr. Morrison, for when the ballots are counted it will be found that Max Gardner has been elected by an overwhelmingly majority.

LARGE CROWD HEARS GARDNER AT GASTONIA

Gastonia, July 1.—Three thousand and more North Carolinians largely from Gaston county, but with large delegations from Rutherford, Mecklenburg, Cleveland and other nearby counties, well represented, heard Lieutenant Governor O. Max Gardner define his ideals and aspirations in his race for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination here tonight.

Mr. Gardner stated that although he had been the victim of a mudslinging campaign he was surer of victory tonight than at any time since the beginning of the second primary campaign.

He assured his friends that from every city, village, hamlet, hillside and valley throughout the length and breadth of the old North State came the word that the drift was undeniably toward his candidacy, based on the square deal issue and that he would be nominated by a majority which would surprise even his most optimistic friends. This declaration was met with a roar of applause which nearly lifted the ceiling from its moorings.

Following a long trip from Wilson, Mr. Gardner stopped en route at Belmont where he attended a ball game and was the recipient of round after round of applause.

Mr. Gardner arrived in Gastonia at 7:30 o'clock, ate supper and proceeded to the court house immediately thereafter. The Lieutenant Governor will make his

A MONUMENT 8 FEET HIGH TO CLEMENCEAU AT THE VENDEE

Francois Sicard The Sculptor is Chiselling it out of Hard Burgundian Stone

GROUP WORK POILERS AROUND

CATTLEMEN MAY OWN PART IN STOCK Y'DS IF THEY DESIRE IT

Packers Must Dispose Their Holdings in 2 Years

UNDERRULING OF U.S.

El Paso, Texas, July 2.—A committee composed of members from the Panhandle and Southwestern Stockmen's association has been appointed to investigate the practicability of part ownership of stockyards, particularly those at Kansas City and Fort Worth, by cattlemen.

Under a recent ruling of the United States Attorney General, packers must dispose of their interests in stockyards within two years, and this will create an opportunity for the cattlemen to acquire the stock if they desire it.

AIRPLANES USED IN ELECTION CAMPAIGN

Winnipeg, Man., July 1.—Airplanes, used for advertising purposes, will feature the election campaign of the members of the Manitoba government, who will seek re-election under the leadership of Premier Norris this summer. This unique method of conducting electioneering is new and is claimed by officials of the Norris government to be the first attempt to use it in the world.

Edward Brown, Provincial Treasurer in the present cabinet, recently took a flight over Winnipeg and expressed himself as highly delighted with the possibilities of airplanes in the campaign. Two machines are already engaged in the enterprise. They will touch at least one town in every constituency. Campaign literature will be dropped from the airplane as it circles over the town. After landing, the government supporter in the machine will address the crowd that gathers to meet it. Supporters of Premier Norris are enthusiastic over the scheme.

The machines at present engaged display an appeal urging voters to support the present government.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McDowell arrived Wednesday night from their honeymoon and they are staying at Miss Annie Dunns.

final speech in the campaign in Reidsville tomorrow night.

Paris, July 2.—Clemenceau is shown at the front, standing at the edge of a trench, with his friends the French poilus below and about him, in the monument to be erected in his native country, the early next year.

Sicard, the sculptor, is chiselling the group work out of hard Burgundian stone. Unfinished, the work is already said to visualize with great character, the scene so often pictured of the old "Tiger," mentally and almost physically, fighting for France.

The Premier's figure stands eight feet high. He is, as always in the war days, wearing the long, loose overcoat and the soft, clouchily crumpled hat, leaning on a cane. His face is toward the enemy, his eyes watching the horizon, following indications given him by a seated officer with maps, beside him. On his right are grouped soldiers and in the trench below are more of the men in the ranks, looking with mingled astonishment and admiration at their Minister of War.

The scene is said by critics to be vividly natural, rough and muddy but heroic and full of the color and character of war days.

DENTAL SURGERY HELPS INSANE

St. Joseph, Mo., July 2.—Experiments in the application of dental surgery to treatment for insanity are being conducted in the No. 2 Missouri hospital for the insane, here, according to Dr. G. E. Ford and Dr. Walton E. Taylor. Several St. Joseph dentists and a throat specialist are conducting the research, according to the announcement.

No provision is made by the state for dental service in the state hospitals, the dentists say, with the result that the experimental work is at the expense of the men engaged in the work. The institution does not contain dental equipment, nor X-ray, nor has it ever had such equipment since it was established in 1874.

Doctor Ford, said, 724 patients have been treated. Sufficient improvement has been noted in a number of patients to convince the researchers that with state co-operation they could effect a radical improvement in the condition of many of the patients.

Doctors Ford and Taylor explained that in their work they were following the lead of Dr. Henry A. Cotton, medical director of the New Jersey State hospital at Trenton, who had developed and to a considerable degree substantiated a theory of relation between diseases of teeth and tonsils and insanity. Germs incubated by such irregularities, Doctor Cotton maintains, produce insanity.