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## Bitterness Unprecedented And No Harmony In Sight

Alibis and Excuses are Numerous but Impartial Observer Sees Leaders of Convention as Lots of Schoolboys Who Will Not Agree Even When Nomination Is Made

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Madison Square Garden, New York, July 5.—East is East and West is West and apparently never the twin shall meet in Democratic politics.

The age old fight between Tammany Hall and its affiliated organizations of boss control in New Jersey, Massachusetts and Illinois came to a head in the Clerk-Wilson fight of 1912 and again in the San Francisco convention of 1920, and today it is the underlying reason of the deadlock which has prevented the Democratic National Convention from making a Presidential nomination after two weeks of acrimonious sessions.

Bitterness, however, is of unprecedented intensity. Discourtesy to each other almost to the point of contempt, anger and wrath which has at time almost resulted in fist fights, has given the convention plenty of excitement but little promise of harmony even when nomination shall have been made.

The alibis and excuses are numerous. He who would be impartial cannot but recognize that in many respects the leaders have acted like a lot of schoolboys. The injection of the Ku Klux Klan issue has been fatal. Try as they might the McAdoo delegates cannot erase the impression that they have been supported by the Klan. Try as they might the Smith delegates cannot conceal the fact that they believe most of the anti-Smith sentiment is nothing more nor less than an anti-Catholic feeling.

It has gone to such a point that many leaders openly say the Democratic ticket will be deserted by Catholics generally before any votes will be cast for McAdoo. To this William Jennings Bryan answers that he sees no reason why a man should be nominated, meaning Smith, because of his church, and he says that is how the situation is rapidly developing.

The stubbornness that has been keeping the deadlock tight and tends to make it tighter is, however, not altogether the Protestant-Catholic feeling which has been engendered here. The McAdoo delegates from Western and Southern states insist that they have been furnishing electoral votes to the Democratic ticket more often than have New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Connecticut, Illinois and Massachusetts, which are the principal states asking for nomination. Certainly Pennsylvania never goes Democratic and Illinois almost never. But to this the Smith men make reply that the reason the big states do not go Democratic is that they never have a candidate who appeals to the Eastern states, whereupon the McAdoo leaders retort that the East would not support even Woodrow Wilson in 1916 and that the states which contributed to the Democratic victory that year; namely, the West and South, should have the right to name the party leader here.

As if the Klan issue and the sectional feeling were not enough, the attitude of the convention toward some of the prominent men in the party has been hardly one of courtesy. The Smith men hissed and jeered and booed William Jennings Bryan, three times the nominee of his party, and then when the Smith people wanted the New York governor to address the convention the McAdoo delegates did the bit for fat and refused to vote for the invitation, so it was lost. Even Mr. McAdoo wrote a letter to the convention urging that Smith be permitted to speak but the governor's friends were so angry they objected to a reconsideration.

The truth is the McAdoo delegates thought the invitation to have the governor speak was unfair. The convention had just voted down a proposal to have the candidates speak and the Smith men for some reason or other not yet explained then put in another resolution inviting Governor Smith alone. It was freely remarked by the Smith men that the object of the move was to put the McAdoo men in a hole since they couldn't, it was believed, refuse to hear the governor of the state in which the convention was being held, particularly when it was his own home town. But they did. And they said that if the governor's friends wanted to have him address the convention in his capacity as governor and not as a candidate he should have been put on the program at the outset with Mayor Hylan and that the issue should not have been raised after a week of speech making and 60 or more ballots.

And so the quarrel has run and no matter who made the mistakes of strategy, the result is the same. There is no spirit of conciliation, no desire to forgive and forget but an

## LITTLE BOY DROWNS NEAR SOUTH MILLS

Curtis Pearce, the 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Pearce of South Mills, was drowned at about 6 o'clock on the evening of the Fourth of July, while in bathing with his young playmate, Claude Trafton, in the Dismal Swamp Canal near South Mills, according to a long distance telephone message received here today. The body was recovered about two hours later.

No one saw the drowning except the boy who was in bathing with the drowned boy and no coherent story of how it occurred has been heard here.

## BEST CITY DELEGATES TAKE THE CONVENTION VARIOUSLY

Reports from the Elizabeth City delegates to the Democratic National Convention in New York Saturday were to the effect that Phil Sawyer had left in utter disgust and gone to see his wife and baby at Virginia Beach, but that Mrs. James G. Fearling continued radiant and in the absence of O. Max Gardner was running the North Carolina delegation. These reports, although unconfirmed, sounded so lifelike that the Advance passed them on for what they are worth, if anything.

Irreconcilable determination to defeat each other. There is talk of a rump convention if the thing keeps up but anybody with the minimum of political knowledge is aware that the split has come and that it will take a candidate with all the mental gymnastics and good fellowship which can be commanded plus a certain amount of partisanship with the anti-Klan group to restore harmony to the party—an almost impossible task at this writing.

The withdrawal, at the same moment, of both Smith and McAdoo would save the faces of both sides. Edward Fernsford, of Michigan, introduced such a resolution a few minutes before the night session adjourned so that the initiation in bringing about the withdrawal of the two leaders would come from the convention but the proposal was voted down without even a roll call. It represents however, an abiding feeling in the convention.

The compromise conditions, therefore, seem to have the best chance of ultimate victory. Senator Oscar Underwood of Alabama satisfies the Smith men and since he comes from the South the hope of his friends is that the Southern states now supporting McAdoo will not obstruct his nomination. John W. Davis of West Virginia would satisfy both sides, though he has not said a word about the Klan issue, whereas Underwood has made the fight against it and is for that reason first choice of the Smith delegates for a compromise.

William Jennings Bryan says his real opposition to Smith is that he is a wet. He opposes Underwood for the same reason and Davis because of his connections with Wall Street corporations. As between the two, he would probably prefer the West Virginian as the latter has not been a pronounced wet, though as an Anti-Saloon League leader expressed, he has been about "fifty-fifty" in his votes on the liquor issue in Congress and elsewhere.

Newton D. Baker is now the hope of Ohio since James M. Cox withdrew. Senator Glass of Virginia has himself argued his delegation to go to McAdoo but the story is that Thomas Fortune Ryan has more influence in that delegation than Glass and that the delegation is more inclined to favor either Davis or Underwood than McAdoo if the time comes to abandon his favorite son. It is significant that in spite of the talk of Mr. Glass' letter about having his delegation support Mr. McAdoo the document, if there is one, has not been disclosed and the Virginia Senator has not made a public statement of withdrawal as has Senator Ralston and Mr. Cox.

There remains one other likely candidate, Senator Joseph Robinson of Arkansas, minority leader of the upper House of Congress. He has some strength with the Smith group and has the endorsement of Bryan as a dry and as a progressive. Arkansas is holding its 18 votes for him in the hope that when the breaking up comes, this favorite son may be the compromise. His opportunity, however, will come only after there has been a decision with respect to Davis, Underwood and Baker.

## NEW COTTON PEST HITS PASQUOTANK

County Agent Falls on Job, However, and Promptly Advises Pasquotank Farmers How to Combat It.

With the first boll weevils of the season in Pasquotank reported hardly more than a week ago, the Pasquotank cotton crop may now be facing an attack by another pest. This pest is the red spider, which was found Saturday morning in the cotton of S. H. Reid in Mt. Hermon township.

Mr. Reid has a fine field of cotton, but during the last few days some of the plants began to wilt and droop and shed their leaves at an alarming rate, patches of plants, in fact, showing signs of dying.

Mr. Reid examined the cotton very closely but could find no indication of what was causing the damage. He put in a phone call for County Farm Agent Falls Saturday morning, however, and Mr. Falls was soon on the scene and very promptly found what the trouble was.

"The red spider," says Mr. Falls, "is in reality not a spider at all, but a mite. As is usual with mites, both the male and the female have eight legs but no wings. They are less than one-fifth of an inch in length.

"Male and female of the pest are both present on the plants. The color of the female is subject to considerable variation. At times it is a rusty green, sometimes greenish amber, occasionally yellowish, again almost black, but most of the time brick red.

"The males are considerably smaller than the females, of a rusty salmon color and the spots at the sides are more conspicuous.

"A contact insecticide, that is, an insecticide which kills by contact and not by being eaten by the insect is absolutely necessary, since the mite spends its life on the under side of the leaf. Injury results from the extraction of the juices of the plant leaves and feeding is done by means of sharp, slender, lancet-like mouth parts, which are thrust well into the leaf but on the under surface.

"Following is the spray mixture that should be used to combat this pest:

One ounce potassium sulphid  
Two gallons water.

"This solution should be sprayed on the plants and should be repeated in seven days.

"The presence of the pest is first revealed by the appearance of the upper surface leaf of the blood red spot. As the leaves become more infected, they redden or turn a rusty yellow over the entire surface, fold up, then turn brown and dry, and finally drop off. The lower leaves usually are first attacked, but infestation spreads upward until only the bare stalk and one or two terminal leaves remain. Such plants almost always die.

"In some cases the dropping of the leaves is sufficient to prevent the development of any lint at all. However, the loss of foliage is always accompanied by the shedding to some extent of bolls and squares even when the whole plant is not lost.

## PROGRESSIVES POSTPONE NAMING VICE PRESIDENT

Cleveland, July 5.—Postponement of a vice presidential nominator was agreed upon by leaders of the Conference for Progressive Political

## CALVIN COOLIDGE, JR. IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Washington, July 5.—Calvin Coolidge, Jr., is seriously ill at the White House with septic poisoning as the result of a broken blister on his foot brought about during a tennis match. Calvin is the younger son of President and Mrs. Coolidge.

Washington, July 5.—Anxiously watching for sign of improvement today in the condition of Calvin Coolidge, Jr. in his fight against septic poisoning, the White House reluctantly announced at noon that there had been no improvement during the night and morning and the case continued "very serious."

## STRICKEN TOWN IS IN NEED OF HELP

The following telegram has just been received from Lorain, Ohio, by Mayor Goodwin:

"Lorain is sorely stricken. Loss will largely fall upon people homeless and without resources. Ohio governor acting to secure aid throughout state. This will not suffice. Lorain needs every contribution possible from municipalities or individuals. Send contributions Lorain Chapter Red Cross. National Red Cross will supervise distribution."

While there will be no general solicitation, Mayor Goodwin will be glad to receive and forward any contribution.

## DIES AT BERKLEY

Mrs. Martha Gregory Whetstone, widow of the late John W. Whetstone died Wednesday at her home 210 Indian River Road, Berkley, Virginia. She is survived by one daughter, Miss Susie Whetstone, two grandchildren, two brothers, Robert and L. R. Bell and a sister, Miss Ada Bell, all of Virginia. The family was formerly of Camden County.

Funeral services were conducted at the home Thursday evening by Rev. Beecher L. Rhodes, pastor of the Berkley Avenue Baptist Church of which she was a member. Mrs. Beecher L. Rhodes and Mrs. C. S. Shuford sang, "In the Garden," Messrs P. M. Pritchard and John M. Gibbs sang, "Sometime We'll Understand." The floral tributes were beautiful and profuse. She was laid to rest beside her mother in the family burying ground near Princess Anne Court House.

## LIGHT BALLOT TODAY IN SECOND PRIMARY

Raleigh, July 5.—With predictions that there will be a light ballot the Democrats of the State are going to the polls today to select a Commissioner of Labor and Printing with the contest between M. L. Shipman and Frank D. Grist.

## CIRCLES MEET MONDAY

The circles of the Joint Parsonage Society and the Woman's Missionary Society of the City Road Methodist Church will meet Monday afternoon at four o'clock at the homes of the following ladies: Circle 1 with Mrs. W. W. Woodley, Circle 2 with Mrs. Daniel Lane, Circle 3 with Mrs. L. S. Gordon and Circle 4 with Mrs. P. H. Williams.

Action today and the convention will be asked to entrust the selection of such a candidate to the committee which would confer with LaFollette after the Democratic situation has worked itself out.

## Democrats See Choice Of New York City A Mistake

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New York, July 5.—More and more it has been borne in upon the Democrats that New York city is not an ideal place for a national convention. The accommodations have been wonderful, the official entertainment has been lavish, but the crowds at the convention have been anything but fair. New York always has prided itself before on its fairness, its tolerance, its hospitality. New Yorkers contributed large sums of money to bring the Democratic convention to this city to show the "big town" this was and to allay the prejudices of the "outlanders" against the metropolis.

Many things have happened at the convention which the visitors will not soon forget. Perhaps it would have been different if New York city had not had a real native son of the sidewalks in the running for first honors. Perhaps the north-gallery crowds would have been fair; perhaps they would not have hissed and booed the demonstrations of the McAdoo followers on the floor; perhaps the band would not have "insulted" the Georgians by playing the battle song of Atlanta to the sea; perhaps there would not have been such unauthorized running in of spectators without tickets. It was thought this latter event would be stopped after the gate crashing which marked the first Smith demonstration but it has continued and many legitimate tick-

## Like Weary Prize Fighters Political Forces Struggle

McAdoo and Smith Factions Almost Exhausted and Pummelled Into State of Blind and Dogged Resistance After More Than 70 Rounds Go Drearily on

## CONVENTION ADJOURNS TILL MONDAY

New York, July 5.—The Democratic National Convention, following the seventy-seventh ballot today, adjourned till 11 o'clock Monday morning.

## BOYS ORGANIZE COMMUNITY BAND

Most of Members Already Proficient and Rapid Progress Is Looked for With Regular Practice.

On Thursday night about a dozen boys interested in the organization of a boys' band sponsored by the Rotarians met in the Community Building with Bill C. Sawyer, George Seyfert and Bandmaster Waldorf.

After discussing the matter awhile organization was perfected and the following officers elected:

President, Roscoe Foreman, Jr.; Vice President, Jehu Hickman, Jr.; Secretary, Wilson Sanders; Treasurer, Melvin Davis; Membership Committee, Wilson Sanders, Joseph Kramer, Melvin Davis, Walter Cohoon, Burgess Perry.

Boys of good character and habits will be asked to join and so far about 31 have signified their desire to unite with the band and its success seems assured.

Plans are on foot to raise money with which to pay for the instruments it is necessary for the band to buy and own but most of the boys will own their own. Only such instruments as it will be necessary to have and which will not be of much value to the boys for use in the home will be bought by the band. It is hoped that regular practice may soon be in order and those boys who will need to do so will take individual instruction on their particular instruments so that all may be able to keep up with the regular work of the band. Many of the boys are already more or less proficient and rapid progress is looked for.

## DISTRICT CONFERENCE AT STUMPY POINT ENDS

Among those returning from Stumpy Point Friday afternoon after attending the Elizabeth City District Conference in session there, this week were: Dr. N. H. D. Wilson, Rev. and Mrs. C. B. Culbreth and son, Howard, Rev. Daniel Lane, Rev. W. T. Phipps and Gid Pendleton.

At this meeting J. B. Leigh was re-elected District Lay Leader, and Rev. Daniel Lane was elected secretary of the conference. Mrs. C. B. Culbreth, J. B. Leigh, and P. H. Williams with C. R. Pugh as alternate were three of the eight delegates elected to the annual conference that will be held this year at Wilmington, November 12.

It was decided to hold a standard training school for Sunday School workers at the First Methodist Church September 7-12. A board of managers were selected to promote it.

Sermons were preached by Rev. J. T. Stanford, Rev. A. B. Crumpler and Rev. W. T. Phipps. At the request of the conference Dr. N. H. D. Wilson presented in detail the argument for and against the unification of the two great American Methodisms and the sentiment of the conference seemed almost unanimously in favor of it.

The next conference will be held at Parker Methodist Church, Gates County.

## ALBEMARLE KING TUT BONES ARE UNEARTHED

Digging away on the morning of the Fourth of July in the rear of The Advance shop to make room for the foundation of the new press workmen unearthed a couple of ancient bones which must have belonged to some King Tut of the Albemarle section. There were no jewels or other buried treasure, however, and not enough bones to identify as those of an ancestor of any present day Bestians.

Perhaps a very long time ago this was the site of a residence, and the family buried their dead, as was the custom, in the yard or field.

Nobody seems to remember that far back, however, and another theory is that this was a filled-in lot and that the bones are the remains of an animal thrown in with the trash to build up the land.

The building was erected about 1882 and until 1918 had a plank floor. At that time a concrete floor was put in. A shallow pit was made for the press probably in the early days of the Tar Heel, but the pit for the new press is much deeper and it was not until this was begun that the bones were brought to light.

Madison Square Garden, New York, July 5.—Still obdurate to peace proposals, the Democratic National Convention struggled on with its nomination deadlock today without material change in the standing of the leaders.

Under the surface the forces of disintegration and compromise were at work but they were making feeble progress.

Overnight conferences among leaders appeared to have gone for nothing.

Like two fighters in the ring weary almost to the point of exhaustion and pummelled into a state of blind and dogged resistance after more than 70 rounds Smith and McAdoo forces went drearily on with their balloting before an audience that long since had become inattentive.

If either had real punch left it was reserved carefully for the supreme moment that etch side seemed to think was somewhere in the indefinite future.

After two ballots this morning the convention received and promptly rejected the proposal that thereafter the favorite sons given a low vote should be dropped on each succeeding ballot until only two candidates remained on the field.

The effort to eliminate favorite sons by formal resolution was renewed in different form by former Senator Hitchcock who presented a resolution providing that after the seventy-fifth ballot the low man on each ballot should withdraw. This, too, was defeated upon roll call.

While McAdoo forces were seeking unsuccessfully by formal resolution to drive favorite sons out of the field Smith supporters countered with the attempt to form a combination with favorite sons in hope of finding a compromise candidate who could be put over. Those in charge of the candidacies of Davis, Robinson, Glass and other favorite sons went into conference with Smith managers and some of the conferees appeared hopeful of result before the day was over.

A resolution proposing that the convention adjourn to reassemble July 21 in Kansas City was snowed under on roll call, 82.7 voting for it, and 1,067.3 against it.

Smith reached a new high mark on the seventy-fourth ballot which gave McAdoo 510, Smith 364, Davis 78 1/2, Underwood 47, Cox 1, Glass 28, Robinson 23, Ritchie 18 1/2, Walsh 4 1/2, Saulsbury 7, Owen 2, Baker 5, Bryan 4, Ralston 3 1/2, Kevin 1.

The seventy-fifth ballot gave McAdoo 513, Smith 366, Davis 78 1/2, Underwood 46 1-2, Cox 1-2, Glass 28, Ralston 4 1-2, Robinson 25, Ritchie 16 1-2, Walsh 2, Saulsbury 6, Owen 4, Bryan 4, Baker 2, absent 1.

The seventy-sixth ballot gave McAdoo 513, Smith 368, Davis 75, Underwood 47 1/2, Cox 1, Glass, 29, Ralston 4 1/2, Robinson 25, Ritchie 16 1-2, Walsh 2, Saulsbury 6, Owen 4, Baker 1, Bryan 4, absent 1.

The seventy-seventh ballot gave Smith 367, McAdoo 513, Davis 76 1-2, Underwood 47 1-2, Cox 1, Glass 27, Ralston 6 1-2, Robinson 24, Ritchie 16 1-2, Walsh 2, Saulsbury 6, Owen 4, Baker 1, Bryan 4, Roosevelt 1, absent 1.

New York, July 5.—The seventy-first ballot, which was the first of today, gave McAdoo 528 1/2, Smith 333 1/2, Davis 68, Underwood 37 1-2, Glass 25, Robinson 21, Ritchie 16 1/2, Saulsbury 6, Owen 2, Baker 5, Bryan 2, Walsh 1.

New York, July 5.—After going to 70 ballots the Democratic Convention adjourned Friday night until 10:30 this morning daylight saving time.

On the seventieth ballot McAdoo had 528 1-2, Smith 334 1-2, Davis 67, and the others were trailing.

The party leaders were desperate and many schemes were being considered to break the deadlock with the possibility that one or more plans would be advanced on the floor today to end the long session and nominate some man for the Presidency.

## WAS PATRIARCH OF DIPLOMATIC SERVICE

Washington, July 5.—Alvey Adee, second Assistant Treasury of State and patriarch of diplomatic service, died at his home here today.

## MRS. LISTER IMPROVING

Mrs. Oscar Lister is improving at the Elizabeth City Hospital where she was taken Wednesday in serious condition after she had swallowed a solution of bichloride of mercury. Hope was held for her recovery Saturday at noon.