G. O. P. Sniffs Smoke of Battle in Vice Presidency Clash

Lowden's Stand **Gives Impetus** to Hoover Boom

Cabinet Member Said to Be Acceptable to Coolidge-Score of Others, Including Iowans Mentioned.

By Associated Press. Cleveland, O., June 9 .- The con test fover the vice presidency has given the republican national convention its first smell of the smoke

The fall of the gavel at the open ing session tomorrow morning will find President Coolidge's nomination virtually an accomplished fact and the major tenets of the party platform as good as agreed upon; but the race for second place on the ticket will still be anybody's.

Almost a score of full-fledged vice presidential booms were actively under way tonight and the passing of appeared to complicate rather than clarify the situation. The name of Secretary Hoover was heard more and more often in the swirl of convention eve speculation, but no one seemed to know whether the tide really was turning to him or whether it was only one of those unorganized drifts of opinion that get nowhere. Frank O. Lowden, despite his reiterated refusal to be a candidate, still was declared in the running by those who are insisting that the party should put him on the ticket by an exercise of the draft.

Acceptable to Coolidge.

Mr. Hoover is said by his supporters, who include some of those high in the councils of the administration, to be one of the candidates eminently acceptable to President Coolidge. But the same is being said of others and the delegates waited throughout today in vain for any word from the Coolidge managers definitely indicating a preference.

The list of those whose names were linked with the vice presidency in form on which he is to go before the day's discussion and gossip the people reached large proportions. There was a revival of talk for Senator Borah of Idaho, although his friends said definitely he would not accept. Senator Curtis was strongly endorsed by some scattered groups, although delegation from his own states voted 22 to 1 for Brig. Gen. Charles G. Dawes, with the odd vote going to Albert J. Beveridge of Indiana. will represent them on the commit-Dr. Marion Leroy Burton of Michigan, but it was conceded that his strength probably could not be accurately assessed until after he appears before the convention Thursday to make the nominating speech for

Iowa Possibilities.

andidates from their state, Judge W. S. Kenyon, Representative L. John W. Good. Minnesota endorsed Charles H. March and the California continued at work among the delegations included Governor Hyde of Misscuri; Charles B. Warren of Michigan, ambassador to Mexico; Senator erans bureau.

been the characterizing feature of dore E. Burton of Ohio will deliver handsome landscaping under the the pre-conviction period, but it provided one sensation in the form of a chairman and then after the usual being done. statement given out and quickly de-nied, endorsing Senator Watson of Indiana for second place on the ticket on behalf of Dr. H. W. Evans, grand wizard of the Ku Klux Klan. The pronouncement was made by Milton Elrod, a former publicity director for the klan, who said he spoke with the full authority of Dr. Evans, but the grand wizard denied he had made or authorized such a statement or taken any other part in the convention pre liminaries and Senator Watson dis avowed any connection with the in cident or the klan.

Another Splash.

One other splash in the unusually tranquil convention Pond was con tributed by the Wisconsin followers of Robert M. La Follette, who made a public demand that the party plat form formally condemn the official records of Albert B. Fall and Harry M. Daugherty and commit the president to an extra session of congress this summer to pass farm relief, reclamation and railroad legislation. A suggested platform which will be of fered with La Follette's approval likewise would commend the republicans who voted against the Mellon tax plan and would single out for particular praise various members of the senate insurgent group for their individual activities during the sea-

sion of congress just closed Meantime work on the platform was going forward on the several tentative drafts, one of them brought from Washington after it had been passed around among members of the cabinet and given approval in a general way by the responsible officials of the administra Ambassador Warren, who will head the resolutions committee, was in conference most of the day with C. Bascom Slemp, secretary to President Coolidge; Frank W. Stearns of Boston, the president's personal friend and adviser; William M. Butler, chairman designate of the national committee, and others who have brought from Washington an intimate knowledge of the state of Mr Coolidge's mind regarding the plat-



Cleveland Faces Street Car Strike; Motorman Offered Vice Presidency

Cleveland, O., June 9 .- Boston may be the hub of the universe, but Cleveland is the hub-bub. There is more hubbub here to the square inch than there is in a parade of runaway tin peddlers' carts.

Owing to the fact that Cleveland is within easy jumping distance of Lake Erie, all delegates are carefully watched by the supply sergeants. Everybody is suspected of being a possible vice president. That job seems to be about as popular as a spider in a sewing thimble. Lowden has refused it. Hoover also refuses to play second fiddle on a banjo that has lost its strings.

Since America was a litter of pup colonies, the job of vice president has been goared upon with spasms of scorn. But the sentiment seems to be that an office boy is an office boy, high hat or no high hat.

It was offered to George Washington when he was crossing the Delaware. George got so mad he almost grabbed an oar himself.

They wanted Bill Bryan to be vice president 20 years ago. It was then that Bill published that famous magazine remark about accepting no substitutes. Since then, this slogan has been plastered on shaving soap, breakfast food and automatic washtubs.

Bryan has never been president. But he can also point with pride to his mirror and congratulate his reflection that he has neven been a White House caddy, neither.

A man will break his garters scrambling to be a fourth-class postmaster in a town where all the important buildings are trees. A politician will push the heavens and earth around like mah jong tiles in an effort to be appointed proxy to the second consul on the Island of Yap.

But mention the quarantined name of vice president to anybody in Cleveland and they start leaping for Lake Erie. There is a threatened street car strike in this town and it is all because a motorman was offered the glory of being vice president in Washington during the fall

When you figure out this job, it doesn't look as good as it photographs The salary is small compared with what the bobbed-haired bandits are cleaning up. It is something like a farmer trying to sell his cabbages to a perfume factory. It means nothing. You have got to shave every day for no reason at all.

If anything goes wrong, you are blamed for it. The president can take a trip out of Washington on the Mayflower, but there is no yacht for his boy friend. The vice president is chained in Washington by an overwhelming majority. He is like a married man at a picnic. He is

If you want this job, just write in and snatch it. No qualifications are essential and anonymous letters are welcome. And for the next four years you will be sure of a high silk hat and no place to wear it

Ernst Heads Rules Body

Another detail of convention of ganization was disposed of by the ommittee. Many state delegations held caucuses to perfect their own organizations and select those who There was muche intangible talk of tees of the convention. On the Massachusetts caucus slate the name of Senator Henry Cabot Lodge was omitted for the first time in a generation and at a meeting of the Ohio

Iowans talked of three possible nomination of Coolidge. C. Chapman. Others whose partisans meeting. The street crowds in the chairman of the delegation in conhotel section of the city picked up vention. tion history usually has been written. Jones of Washington; Governor Dix. Even the delegates who milled about on of Montana; Major General James in hotel lobbies and corridors talked G. Harbord, former deputy chief of of almost everything except convenstaff of the army; and Major General tion issues. Only two or three hours Frank T. Hines, director of the vet. will be taken up by the opening seasion tomorrow. National Chairman For the most part, the discussion John T. Adams will call the convenof vice presidential candidacies pro- tion to order at 11 a. m., there will in York. More playground apparatus ceeded with that calm which has be a prayer, Representative Theo- for the children has been added and

routine of perfecting a temporary organization the convention will ad-

ourn until Wednesday. The Oregon caucus tonight ordered before the convention, that the Oregon primary instructed the delegation to vote for him.

Gillett Succeeds Lodge

on Resolutions Committee Cleveland, June 9 .- Frederick H. Gillett, speaker of the house of repdelegation, Harry M. Daugherty de- resentatives, was today named as the clined to be considered for delegation Massachusetts member of the resoluchairman and declared his only inter- tions committee, succeeding Senator est was to vote as a delegate for the Lodge, who has held that honor for many years. The Massachusetts dele-Despite the momentary thrill of gation at their caucus also chose Wilahead with almost as much quiet as their national committeeman and decorum as a New England town Governor Cox was selected to act as a little but there was none of the to say either before or after the noise and hurry amid which conven. caucus was held. He was given a cheer when he entered the caucus

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La Follette and Followers Seek to Debar Former Attorney General and Albert Fall

By Associated Press. Cleveland, O., June 9.-Republican nsurgents, acting through the Wisonsin delegation, will ask the repubican national convention to formally ondemn the official acts of Harry M. Daugherty, as attorney general, and Albert B. Fall, as secretary of the

This is disclosed in an official copy

of the insurgent platform made pub-

today by Robert M. La Follette, sen of the Wisconsin senator, in he name of the Wisconsin delega-The statement urges further that Daugherty and Fall "be forever debarred from holding any position of honor or trust within the gift ither of the republican party or of any future republican administration. The insurgents also would have President Coolidge summon congress nto extraordinary session on Monday, June 7, 1924, for consideration of emergency legislation for relief of agriculture; to provide funds for payment of soldiers' bonus: for consider ation of the Howell-Barkley bill for he settlement of disputes between carriers and employes; for amendnent of the rate-making section of he transportation act looking toward he reduction of "extortionate raftlief legislation extending the time of payment to farmers on government

eclamation projects. he convention to extend its approval and other naval oil reserves." and commendation to the following senators for exceptional services: George W. Norris of Nebraska, for op Shoals "to private interests upon improper conditions and with inadequate compensation;" to James Couzens of Michigan, "for his zeal in uncovering the frauds and irregularities in connection with internal revenue and committee; A. W. Jefferis, Omaha, Reed of Pennsylvania, for "disclosing aid, Kearney, rules committee. the widespread graft and corruption in the veterans bureau under the administration of Charles R. Forbes;" McCloud, York, is the national com-Tasker L. Oddie of Nevada, for "demonstrating that grave conditions of neglect and inefficiency are still permitted to persist in that bureau;" Smith W. Brookhart of Iowa, for "his vigor in the investigation of the outrageous scandals in the Department of Justice;" to R. B. Howell of Nebrasks, for "exposing serious irregularities and lack of efficiency in ad-

G. O. P. Convention Program for Today

Doors opened at 9 a. m. Convention called to order at 11 a. m. by John T. Adams, chairman of the republican national com-

Prayer by Bishop Anderson of Cincinnati. (Methodist Episcopal.) Band plays "Star Spangled

Official photographs and motion pictures will be taken. Secretary Lockwood of the national committee will read the official call under which the convention is meeting.

Election of temporary chairman, Representative Theodore E. Burton of Ohio, on recommendation of the national committee.

Appointment of a committee to escort Mr. Burton to the platform from his seat among the Ohlo dele-

Keynote speech by Chairman

Election of secretary and other temporary officers of the convention, on recommendation of the national committee. Adoption temporarily of the

rules of the 1920 convention. Adoption of resolutions to put in motion committees on platform, credentials, permanent organization, rules and order of business. Announcement of committee memberships and places where

they will meet, Adjournment until Wednesday

ministration of the federal loan act;" stone from which many railroad of the judicial manner in which the in the world of transportation. W investigation of the unwarranted in- have a variety of courses of study in road rates." and for reclamation re- dictment of a fellow member of the Boyles' college which make a strong senate was conducted," and to Robert appeal to boys and girls, and M. La Foliette, for "his signal service young men and women who are dein bringing about an investigation of termined to take a thorough training Finally, the statement calls upon the corrupt leasing of Teapot Dome in business and thus lay the founda-

> Nebraskans Named on Convention Groups

representatives on various republican find that it is more profitable to national convention committees are: study in the summer months than C. F. Reavis, Lincoln, resolutions prohibition enforcement;" David A. credentials committee; N. P. McDon-

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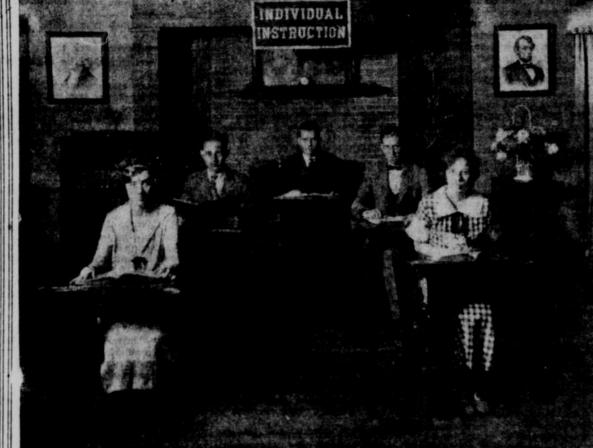
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