

Delegates Find Battle Line at Convention Taut

Ex-Senator Hitchcock, Nebraska Representative on Resolutions Committee; Mullen Committeeman.

By GEORGE R. HOLMES. International News Service Staff Correspondent. New York, June 23.—To the accompaniment of blaring bands and sounds of conflict, the main body of delegates to the democratic national convention poured into New York today to find battle lines tautly drawn, and atmosphere surcharged with political dynamite and axes being indignantly sharpened by the managers of a dozen rival candidacies.

New York, June 23.—Former Senator Gilbert M. Hitchcock was selected today by the Nebraska delegation as its representative on the democratic national convention's resolutions committee and other selections were made as follows: Delegation chairman, Dan V. Stephens; rules, T. S. Allen. Arthur F. Mullen was elected national committeeman for Nebraska.

neither McAdoo or Smith will be the nominee, because of the very savagery of their fight.

Twenty-four hours before the convention finds a "big four" among the dark horses—John W. Davis of West Virginia, Samuel M. Ralston of Indiana, Oscar W. Underwood of Alabama and Carter Glass of Virginia. All except Ralston are on the ground here and their managers are working like Trojans against the time when the "break comes in the ranks of McAdoo and Smith.

Smith's managers were smilingly inquiring whether it was true that in the Texas, Iowa, Missouri and Michigan delegations McAdoo was losing strength and faced with a hard battle to keep his margin of control. There were reports that even in Michigan he has lost out and that in Missouri and Iowa, two large delegations, which have been banked on by his managers, internal dissension has risen to such a degree that both delegations may split into many individual lots and dissipate their strength among half a dozen candidacies.

Smith managers said McAdoo has been placed on the defensive. Using the Ku Klux Klan issue as a battering ram, the Smith-Underwood coalition has carried the fight to McAdoo and by shrewd tactics they have made it appear that the extra-territorial head is opposed to an anti-klan plank even to the point that he can not stand on a platform that contains such a declaration.

Edmond H. Moore of Ohio, who succeeded in putting James M. Cox at San Francisco four years ago and who is now among the anti-McAdoo leaders here, asserted today that there are 350 votes in the convention pledged to an anti-klan plank, irrespective of what the platform committee does about it. If the platform is silent or "straddles" on the klan issue, he said, a minority report will be brought in and passed. A majority is 550.

Midnight Conference.

These plans were completed at a midnight conference held at the Biltmore last night and participated in by all the anti-McAdoo strength of the convention—Governor Smith, George E. Brennan of Illinois, Joseph M. Gaffey of Pennsylvania, Norman E. Mack of New York, Fred L. Lynch of Minnesota and several others who are interested in the candidacies of Underwood and Ralston.

There was a careful rechecking of figures at this conference and renewed assertions were made that McAdoo has been "stopped." They concede him between 400 and 450 delegates on the first three ballots and possibly of his attaining 550 by the sixth or seventh. But under no circumstances which they consider conceivable do they believe he can get beyond 610. That, they believe, is the absolute maximum for McAdoo and it is still 122 votes short of nomination.

The chief apparent weakness of the anti-McAdoo coalition is that they have succeeded in concentrating on no candidate. They have a common purpose—to stop McAdoo—but the common man to whom they can throw their strength remains to be developed.

Odell to Have City Hall.

Odell, Neb., June 23.—A deal was closed here last week whereby the village of Odell acquires the Lorenz block, north of the Odell Oracle office, on Main street. It is understood to be the intention of the board to rebuild the structure on the property and make it into a combined city hall and fire department headquarters.

Road Conditions.

- (Published by the Omaha Auto Club.) Lincoln Highway East (Primary No. 1)—Roads reported good at Missouri Valley and Denison. Omaha Highway West (Primary No. 2)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway East (Primary No. 3)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway North (Primary No. 4)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway South (Primary No. 5)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 6)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 7)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 8)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 9)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 10)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 11)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 12)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 13)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 14)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 15)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 16)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 17)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 18)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 19)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 20)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 21)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 22)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 23)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 24)—Roads muddy. Omaha Highway (Primary No. 25)—Roads muddy.

Brake-Testing Week Opens in Omaha



Here are a few scenes which marked the opening of the six-day brake testing drive which is being sponsored by The Omaha Bee at Fifteenth and Capital avenue. At the top is the checking stand, showing Jerry Cavanaugh, manager of the drive; J. D. O'Rourke, T. E. Miller, brake experts and checkers, and Police Lieut. Albert T. Sigwart. In the middle, at the left, is one of the signs informing motorists that they may have their brakes tested

Wives and Daughters of Lions to Be Royally Feted in Omaha

Wives and daughters who will accompany Lions to the international convention in Omaha four days the coming week will not sit idle in hotels while the Lions attend business sessions and stag affairs. A committee consisting of Mrs. L. Kinsey, general chairman; Mrs. John Brownlee, entertainment chairman; Mrs. Roy Swanson, hotels chairman; Mrs. Marie Taylor, hostess chairman; Mrs. J. Dean Ringer, registration and information chairman, and their committee members have arranged to entertain the visiting women from the time they step off the train until they board Pullmans and automobiles for home. Visitors will be met at the stations.

Convention Program of Democrats Today

Called to order at 12 noon, daylight saving time, by National Chairman Hull. Invocation by Cardinal Hayes. Singing of national anthem. Official photograph. Brief address by Chairman Hull. Reading of the official call of the convention. Recommendations for temporary officers and their election. Appointment of a committee of three to escort Senator Harrison of Mississippi, the temporary chairman, to the platform. Address by Senator Harrison. Appointment of committees and transaction of sundry business. Optional speeches. Presentation and adoption of resolution of respect in memory of Woodrow Wilson. Adjournment.

Speed Record Broken.

Istres, France, June 23.—Sadi Lecointe, French aviator, competing in the Beaumont cup speed races, today established a world's record for 500 kilometers of one hour, 37 minutes and 45 seconds, or 206 kilometers an hour.

Brokers in Omaha—Louis V. Sterling and B. L. Taylor, members of the firm of Logan & Bryan, were visitors in Omaha Monday.

Wonder '3' Trailer advertisement for Interstate Machinery & Supply Co. featuring a large image of the trailer and listing various equipment like mixers, pumps, and carts.

Record Set Here in First Day of Free Brake Test

1,700 Motorists Drive Up for Examination — Officials Jubilant Over Initial Success.

(Continued From Page One.) I'm going to ask every one with the chamber who drives a car to have the test made," said Commissioner Powell. "All right-minded motorists should take advantage of this opportunity to have their brakes tested free of charge.

Bus Passes Test. "The white lines, 37 feet apart, enable motorists who have made the test to visualize in just what distance their brakes should work if in good condition.

A large number of Yellow Taxicabs were tested during the morning. A majority of them passed. A fleet of Blue cabs also were tested and measured up to the requirements. Every conceivable kind of car was tested. Trucks of all kinds under-carrying passengers between Omaha and Fremont proved that its brakes were working regularly.

Unanimous in Praise. Cars from California and New York, Texas and North Dakota made dashes for the white line and applied their brakes. Some of them stopped in the proper time and some didn't. But these out-of-town drivers were unanimous in praise for the plan. "We'll tell 'em about it back home," said a California driver. "Omaha has the right idea."

The brake testing drive will be continued all week, beginning at 8 each morning and continuing till 6 each evening. Manager Cavanaugh hopes to test 14,000 cars before the close of the drive. A similar drive was conducted recently in Denver, when 8,000 cars were tested.

The drive is being conducted under the auspices of The Omaha Bee, and with the co-operation of the police department and the Auto Trade Association. Similar tests are being made in other major cities.

It is being done purely in the interest of safety, and the pink sticker given those whose brakes are working right is a label of honor; for it is a proof that the driver who obtains it is a careful driver, who realizes his responsibility to his fellow citizens.

GUILTY PLEA WAS WRONG, IS CLAIM

An affidavit by Mrs. Rose Ballonio, now serving a year and a day for alleged bootlegging, was filed Monday afternoon by Attorney Joe Lovely that she did not know what she was doing when she pleaded guilty to the charge without counsel. Mrs. Ballonio, unable to talk English, has been kept in jail while her three children are being cared for by neighbors. Ballonio is in jail for an assault upon his wife.

RUTH LAW HERE ON WAY TO COAST

Ruth Law, well-known aviator and stunt flyer, stopped in Omaha Monday morning for 20 minutes en route to California. Miss Law has been spending the last year at Mitchell Field, N. Y., and plans for Ohio, perfecting plans for a new type of plane, the helicopter. This plane, according to Miss Law, has many wings and can rise directly upward from the ground. The woman aviator will build this type of plane in California at her own expense.

Leonard Divorce Granted.

Lula M. Leonard, 46, was granted a divorce Monday morning from Frank W. Leonard, 47, in Judge J. S. Dowell's court. The ground for the action was desertion. The couple was married in Estilene, S. D., July 25, 1905. Leonard left his wife February 28, 1922.

TWO NEW LOTS advertisement for F. W. Thorne Co. featuring imported voiles and Irish linens.

Mrs. Koon Wants Freedom.

Columbus, Neb., June 23.—Married for 30 years, and charging her husband with cruelty, Mrs. Frances Koon has filed suit for divorce from Arthur L. Koon, prominent real estate man. The couple were married in 1894.

Charges Dismissed.

Charges of petit larceny against F. O. Lange, 1621 North Twenty-fourth street, automobile dealer, were dismissed in police court this morning. The charges arose from a refusal to refund money paid in on an automobile. Lange said.

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Lions' Tales

W. J. Higgins of Austin, Tex., vice president of the International, is slated for the presidency, although the promotion of vice president is not an unwritten law.

The Los Angeles delegation is out after the 1925 convention, backed by the entire California delegation. Of course, nobody plays politics at a Lions' convention, but there are rumors that Texas is trying up for Los Angeles, and California backing Higgins of Austin for president.

C. R. Bartholomew of Denver was the biggest Lion in town until Wolfgang Schmidt of Fullerton, Neb., registered in Wolfgang tops "Bart" by longitude, latitude and avoirdupois.

The Wheatland (Wyo.) delegation came in with sombreros, bandannas and perspiration, lacking only the chaps to be the real cowboy stuff.

"Say, pilot us to some swimmin' hole," was the plaint of hundreds of delegates Monday afternoon. The local entertainment committee herded them into autos and whirled them out to Krug park and Carter lake.

One looks in vain through the Texas delegation to see a tall, gaunt gentleman wearing a Prince Albert coat, a flowing mustache and a long imperial. Either Texas has reformed or the fiction writers are spoofing us.

It ain't right, nowhow. Everywhere the Iowa delegation goes it sings the "Corn Song," and right behind 'em is a delegation of Texans who warble to the effect that they or vociferate a lot of condemnation what becomes of the whole state of Iowa, they being from Texas now!

The California songsters carry an organ and an organist around with them, and when they warble, a crowd or vociferate a lot of harmony into it. The Bee acknowledges a pleasant and enjoyable serenade.

A wise bunch, that crowd from Toronto. They have a couple of charming young women trying "Alphonse" or "Toronto" badges on the delegates. That means Toronto is trying to land the presidency for Alphonse.

The Pennsylvania delegations is gymshooping, so 'tis said. The Keystone states have a candidate for president of the able equine variety and may trot him out when the track gets good.

One Buffalo delegate who asked not to be quoted, insists that Al Smith is not the real choice of New York democrats. "Great gosh," he ejaculated, "we're flooded from Canada now, without having to build an ark for future contingencies like Smith."

WRITING FOR SUICIDE VICTIM TUESDAY

Funeral services for Mrs. Nellie Murdock, 25, wife of Frank Murdock, who committed suicide by asphyxiation Saturday at the home, 308 Woolworth avenue, will be held Tuesday at 2 p. m. at the home of her mother, Mrs. George McDougall, 2009 North Nineteenth street.

Stricken in Chair.

Atlantic, Ia., June 23.—Mrs. Mary Nissen, 48, died suddenly at her home near Elkhorst, Ia., when sitting in a chair. She had been slightly ill and it was thought she was convalescing. Husband and nine children survive.

Bluffs Man New Governor of Iowa-Nebraska District

Braille Magazine for All Blind Children Approved at Meeting—Next to Be at Waterloo.

(Continued From Page One.) don, Ont., district governor of Ontario, will respond. Singing will be led by H. Roe Barde of Casper, Wyo., after which President Nole will give his annual address. The report of Mevl Jones, secretary, will follow. A. Adam Bede, the humorist and former congressman from Minnesota, will give an address and Miss Edwards will sing, accompanied by Lion F. F. Ludolph of San Antonio. Appointment of committees will conclude the morning session.

The afternoon and evening will be devoted to entertainment. Lions will gather at the auditorium at 7:30 p. m., form into a parade and drive to A. G. Sar-Ben field, where they will witness the races, which include the \$1,000 Lion's club purse race.

After the races the visitors will ride through the city to Krug park, where at 6 a western barbecue will be put on. There will be band concerts, amusements, swimming, stunts and dancing until toward midnight.

Los Angeles, El Paso and Cedar Point, O., are after the next convention. Sandusky, O. is a lake resort near Sandusky, O.

Toronto, Canada, is also anxious to entertain the Lions, but not for two or three years.

The presidential race is hot. Delegates on board a train speeding toward Omaha telegraphed from Ottumwa, Ia., the delegation aboard the special train has caucused and was for Ernest L. Kreamer of Chicago for president of the international. The telegram from Alvin L. Wagner, chairman of the caucus, stated that the state represented on the train and backing Kreamer were Illinois, Ohio, West Virginia, Florida, Connecticut, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania.

Col. W. J. Higgins of San Antonio is a strong contender for the presidency. Southwestern delegations are boosting him. Harry A. Newman of Toronto, Canada, is another aspirant and appears to have a big following.

Col. Lewis C. Perry of Terrell, Tex., head of the Texas Military College and former district governor, is out of the race because of illness. He underwent a second operation at Rochester, Minn., a few days ago.

John S. Noel, president, arrived Monday morning and opened offices at headquarters at the Pontenelle. He is not a candidate for re-election, as it has been the custom of Lions to elect a new president every year.

Visitors Monday were loud in their praises for the attractive decoration of the Auditorium and expressed regret that the storm Sunday night tore away Lions decorations throughout the city.

STORM LITTER COVERS STREETS

(Continued From Page One.) the glass and frame work. Thousands of dollars damage was done to the plants and to the flowers growing under the glass.

Andrew Frederickson, 6202 North Forty-second street, reported that he had had a perfectly good barn Sunday afternoon. Now, after the visitation of the storm, he has a nice assortment of kindling wood.

The storm held the city in its grip for less than an hour but, in that time, did several hours' worth of damage. Scores of trees were blown down at Prospect Hill cemetery, tombstones were blown over and drives torn up.

Some windows were blown out of homes. A few suffered damaged roofs. One of the freaks of the storm transformed a Ford touring car in which a party of four picnicers were hurrying toward town on Leavenworth street, into anything but a pleasure vehicle. The wind blew the top right off the car.

Roof Off House The damage to trees and property was possibly heaviest in the north and west sections of the city. There was no loss of life. At Sixteenth street and the boulevard the roof was blown from a house.

A tree fell across the front porch of a house near Nineteenth and Cor-

by streets, blocking the front door of the place.

Chicago, June 23.—Six deaths, a score or more injured and crop and property damage that will range into hundreds of thousands, were the known cost today of the violent storms accompanied by electrical disturbances which struck in the mid-west Sunday.

Three were dead in Chicago, two from lightning and a third, Michael Shagney, from a plunge of 11 stories when he attempted to close an office window while the storm was at its height. Stanley Barilo, a caddy, was killed when lightning struck the tree under which he and several golfers sought shelter, and Acting Fire Captain Timothy Murphy was struck dead by a bolt while directing the fight on a city fire during the storm.

Three were reported killed and 20 injured in a tornado which struck near Tracy, Minn.

Crops, power and communication lines and buildings in the storm's path suffered heavy damages as the violent gales, accompanied by a deluge of rain, moved eastward from the Dakotas into Minnesota.

Krug park will be open as usual tonight, said James L. Baugh, assistant manager, when asked regarding reports the park had been damaged by the storm. Baugh said the park was closed Sunday night when the electricity failed and the lights went out as they did all over the city.

Thompson-Beldens advertisement for Crepe de Chines, featuring a large image of a woman and text describing the quality and price of the fabric.

Shoe Donations for the Near East advertisement stating that donations will be received at Thompson-Beldens.

Tuesday--Special Offer Day advertisement for furniture, featuring a large image of a chair and text about bargain prices.

\$25 "June Outfit" FREE Coupon \$25 advertisement for a lamp.

TUESDAY SPECIALS advertisement listing various household items and their prices.

STATE FURNITURE COMPANY advertisement for rugs and furniture, featuring a large image of a rug.

Omar wonder Flour advertisement featuring a large image of a flour sack and text about the quality of the flour.