

HOLD DELEGATES IN CLOSE LEASH

Johnson Sounds Note of Pessimism by Telling Delegates Not to Trust Republican Report.

MOOSE PLATFORM IS AMENDED

BULLETIN.

Auditorium Hall, Chicago, June 9.—After finishing consideration of their platform, section by section, but without voting for its final adoption, the progressive convention recessed for lunch at 1:03 until 3 p. m.

The conference committees were understood to be watching the situation to determine whether there is any use to try again to get together. This depended, it was said, on whether the republicans went on with nominations or desired further parleys.

The visit of Senator Borah was said by Mr. Perkins to be "another sign of the friendly spirit between the two conventions."

Mr. Perkins said he could not know what significance could be attached to the senator's visit. Some suggested that Borah might be the compromise nominee agreed upon by republicans.

Auditorium, Chicago, Ill., June 9.—

A report of the peace conferees appointed by the progressive national convention was read to the delegates today by Chairman George W. Perkins at the same hour the republican conference committee was making its report at the Coliseum. The reports were not identical, but they agreed that Colonel Roosevelt's name was the only one of the progressives presented to the republicans and that the latter offered no name for consideration. Both reports recommended time for further conferences "this afternoon or evening."

Mr. Perkins read the report of the republican committee and the declaration that the progressive members of the committee had urged Theodore Roosevelt as the "most desirable candidate upon which to unite" was so widely cheered that the report had to be read again when order was obtained.

For an hour the progressive delegates had been listening to the reading of the platform. The radicals had been straining at the leash. They had been restrained only by the statement of Chairman Robins that the report of the conference committee was coming very soon.

Perkins Pleads for Calmness.—After listening to the reading of the two reports and Mr. Perkins' appeal to the convention to let the conferees go back to work, the delegates applauded vociferously the chairman's praise of the eloquence of his colleague's argument in favor of the progressive's universal candidate. Governor Hiram Johnson, former Attorney General Charles J. Bonaparte of Maryland, John M. Parker of Louisiana and H. S. Wilkinson of New York were introduced in order.

Governor Johnson sounded a note of pessimism in the call for peace by telling the progressives not to place too much confidence in the expressions concerning Colonel Roosevelt in the republican report. His remarks voiced the fears of the radicals that there was little prospect for an agreement between the two conventions, but his name on the report guaranteed that the convention would permit its committee to proceed with conferences until a final report could be made.

Leaders Arrive Late.—When 10 o'clock, the hour for reconvening the progressive convention arrived, there was not a leader on the platform and there were only a few hundred people in the hall. There was little enthusiasm among the arriving delegates, although a band playing patriotic airs, did its best to liven things up.

The officers of the convention who were attempting to proceed in a deliberate manner realized their work was cut out for them and Chairman Robins' task was far from easy.

Henry Allen's description that it was a powder magazine with lots of matches around yesterday, adequately described the situation today. The auditorium was filled with powder, sure enough, and conservatives could only hope that no spark would light among the explosives.

From a parliamentary point of view the convention officers had the advantage in their contest with obstreperous delegates who would rush madly into making a nomination of Colonel Roosevelt. Before adjournment yesterday the platform report was placed before the convention by Dean William Draper Lewis of the University of Pennsylvania, chairman of the resolution committee, and it was made the unfinished business.

Will Let Delegates Howl.

Those who were seeking delay to give the peace conference committee as much time as they desire in their efforts to get together with the republicans, looked eagerly for a Roosevelt demonstration. They were prepared when it came, to keep it going as long as possible. Unrestrained enthusiasm of uncontrollable Roosevelt shouters, they figured, would be an element in favor of those who would delay making a nomination, for the demonstration would help up the time. The plan was to bring up the platform and open it to unlimited debate if necessary, as soon as the delegates showed any signs of demanding that the convention proceed with nominations.

While the leaders talked the delegates poured in. The mass delegation marched in yelling "We'd Better Nominate Roosevelt Before It's Too Late." A made quartet with megaphones in a balcony, the band and a Utah delegate armed with a flute had a musical duel.

"There'll Be a Hot Time in the Old Town Tonight" caught the delegates' fancy as an expression, probably, of their own feeling.

Delegates Want Action.—William Allen White and Gifford Pinchot, after moving about among the delegates, reported that the convention could not be restrained the moment word came from the Coliseum that nominations were being made by the republicans. It was the determination of the progressives to place their nominee in the field before action could be taken by the other convention, Colonel Roosevelt, it was said, would be named by acclamation, but with a roll call. Governor Hiram Johnson of California, John M. Parker of Louisiana and

Raymond Robins of Illinois, the convention's chairman, were mentioned prominently for vice president.

It was 10:20 when Chairman Robins called the convention to order. The floor was filled, but alternates' places in the galleries were not.

The opening prayer was given by Rabbi Joseph Stolz of Chicago. His invocation called for divine guidance for both conventions.

Platform is Taken Up.

Chairman Robins announced that the report on the peace conference was not quite ready and brought up the convention's unfinished business and the platform, to be read plank by plank by Dean William Draper Lewis, chairman of the resolutions committee.

The chairman ruled that the planks should be taken up in order and each plank approved when its reading was finished. He said final adoption as a whole would be deferred until after the entire document had been read, all amendments made and the peace conferees' report acted upon.

All of the first paragraphs of the platform were approved by viva voce votes; later paragraphs were approved by unanimous consent, shortening the routine process.

The planks on "Americanism" were approved without dissenting voice and without applause.

Mexican Plank Amended.

Mr. Lewis, holding an Indiana proxy, offered an amendment to the Mexican plank to include criticism of the "murder" of Americans on the high seas.

The amendment read: "Failure to deal firmly and promptly with the menace of Mexican disorder and threatened violations of the rights of our citizens on the high seas has resulted in the wanton murder of our citizens and in the tragic weakening of our national self-respect." The convention by overwhelming vote approved the amendment.

To the paragraph relating to peace efforts Judge W. L. Ransom of New York, a member of the resolutions committee, proposed to add to the declaration for equal rights "to all men in all lands" the following: "We pledge ourselves not to conclude a treaty in Russia or with any other country that will not expressly procure such absolute rights."

Dean Lewis did not object to either of the amendments.

Many cries of "No, no," greeted the Ransom amendment. Chester Rowell of California, of the resolutions committee, opposed writing details into planks, saying the committee had framed the platform in broad, general terms.

A new amendment by Judge Ransom, reading as follows, was substituted: "We should not conclude a treaty with any country that will not expressly assure to American citizens such absolute rights."

The substitute was approved with a roar of applause.

The peace conference committee, headed by George W. Perkins and Governor Johnson, arrived at 11:30, and the platform was laid aside. Mr.

Perkins, after a burst of applause, presented the peace conferees' report.

Deep silence fell over the vast hall as he began to read.

When Mr. Perkins told how Colonel Roosevelt's name had been presented there was short loud applause. Yells and cheers followed the statement the republicans presented no candidate.

"Hoorah" and "good" the delegates shouted.

There was little applause when reading of the progressives' report was concluded.

As rapid attention was given reading of the republican committee's report, "we know you love us all," Mr. Perkins interjected as the names of the progressive committeemen were read.

Report of Harmony Conferees.

The report of the conferees follows: "To the progressive national convention: Your committee appointed pursuant to the resolution adopted at yesterday's session met in conference with the committee representing the national republican convention last evening. The committee of conferees representing the republican national convention consisted of Messrs. Reed Smoot, W. Murray Crane, William E. Borah, Nicholas Murray Butler and A. R. Johnson.

"The conference was most friendly. Immediately upon assembling your committee proposed as the joint nominee of both conventions the name of Theodore Roosevelt. The committee representing the republican national convention did not present the name of any candidate, nor did it attempt to refute our arguments relating to the unique availability of Theodore Roosevelt as a candidate to unite both parties or to serve our common country at the crucial period in the history of the world. After several hours of friendly discussion during which no concrete proposition was advanced by the republican conferees except that a further conference might be desirable this afternoon or evening, the joint committee adjourned.

"GEORGE W. PERKINS, "HIRAM W. JOHNSON, "CHARLES J. BONAPARTE, "JOHN M. PARKER, "HORACE S. WICKMAN."

Governor Johnson was called to relate his part in the conference. "I wouldn't for the world dampen any man's enthusiasm," he said, "but place not too much confidence in the republicans' report."

He referred to the republican convention as composed of several "delightful gentlemen."

"The sum total of the case," he said, "was that the progressives made the issue of this campaign and they offer the man."

Chairman Robins reread the republican report and silent attention again prevailed.

Perkins Pleads for Calmness. Mr. Perkins then made a statement reciting how important harmony was regarded. He explained the object of the progressive peace overtures were designed so that if rejected "the country would be with us." He said the next four or five hours were the most important in the history of the world and this nation. He pleaded

RUSS WIN GREAT VICTORY IN EAST

Austrian Front Completely Broken Along Length of Ninety-four Miles.

RETREAT NEARLY FORTY MILES

London, June 9.—Information has reached the Russian embassy in Rome that the Austrian front has been completely broken along a length of ninety-four miles to a depth of thirty-seven and one-half miles, according to a Central News dispatch today from the Italian capital.

The Russian advance, according to these advices, now threatens to envelope the entire Austrian army in the region affected, the Austrians finding themselves attacked from both the east and north.

Austrian Slav regiments are declared to have been seized with panic during the first attacks by the Russians and to have surrendered without any real resistance.

with the convention to keep calm and cool headed.

"We must do nothing to mar the record so we can appeal to the voters if that is the final result," he said.

"We will not get our party in such a position that we cannot move out clear, strong and courageous to whatever kind of a campaign we may go."

"The republicans accept the issue and admit in conference that they have no man to suggest except Theodore Roosevelt," Governor Johnson said. Another tremendous burst of applause followed.

Johnson for Teddy Only. Governor Johnson stirred the convention into another demonstration when he declared he would stand to the end for one man and for one man alone, "the greatest American."

As General Bonaparte was about to speak Chairman Robins said he understood the republican convention had continued their peace committee.

Henry Allen said when the republican committee report was presented "there was applause from galleries and the delegates except 100 gripped their seats and kept silent when Colonel Roosevelt's name was reached." The convention laughed derisively when Mr. Allen said 800 of the republican delegates at the Coliseum were holding a demonstration for former President Tait, while the galleries there were laughing.

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What's the Trouble? Must be a green hand figuring American league averages this season. In former years Ty Cobb was always placed in the front in hitting, run-getting and base stealing. Now you have to hunt for the old slugger's standing.

Germans Make Big Assault on French West of the Meuse

Paris, June 9.—The Germans have launched a general attack along the entire front on the right bank of the Meuse and have penetrated the French line at one point, but were repulsed elsewhere with heavy loss, according to an official statement issued by the war office today.

The point where the Germans entered the French lines is in the neighborhood of Thiaumont farm. The Germans also made two small attacks southwest of Hill No. 304, but these attacks, the statement says, were repulsed.

In past wars the enemy's progress on the right would have compelled the French to fall back automatically from the Douaumont-Thiaumont lines, but under the present conditions it has been found that such a saw-

toothed front can be held. The French found this to their advantage in the great Champagne offensives. Before the enemy will be able to make full use of this week's conquests it will have to enlarge its front by the capture of Souville fort. This fort crowns a height of 388 meters which is situated to the southwest. Its guns sweep the line of the crests running from Vaux to Douaumont and its seizure will be a hard task which will entail desperate fighting and heavy sacrifices.

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