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Hughes Boom Gaining In Power

SERENE FAITH IN ROOSEVELT CAMP FADING

DARK HORSE POSSIBILITIES
FAST DISINTEGRATING:
G. O. P. CONTROLS ALL

HUGHES REMAINS FIRM IN SILENCE ATTITUDE

Roosevelt Forces Admit Boom of
Hughes and Less Stability to Their
Own Cause but Say Roosevelt Will
Recover Temporary Slump—Pulse-
feeling Continues.

Chicago, June 5.—The Hughes boom achieved a commanding lead this afternoon. Progressive leaders privately admit a decided slump in the Roosevelt movement, but predict a revival later. Frank Hitchcock declared "Hughes' nomination on an early ballot is inevitable. He will receive more votes the first ballot than the combined strength of favorite son's candidates."

He showed actual figures of the strength of favorite sons.
Pulse Feeling Continues.
Organization leaders continued today to feel out Progressive sentiment regarding various candidates in an attempt to attract Bull Moose support. The main efforts, however, were to decorate the Hughes band wagon to suit the Progressive tastes.

Organized opposition to Hughes has disappeared. Even Root supporters are not against Hughes.
Winner Must Be Named.
The paramount idea is that they must pick a candidate who can win. If Roosevelt can convince the old organization of his ability to win in November he can win the nomination. The Progressive committee named a conference committee to consult with Republicans as to platform and candidate. The committee of George Perkins, Hiram Johnson and Horace Wilkinson.

Roosevelt's secretary declared positively the colonel won't come to the convention.
Unusual Calm Prevails.
Unusual calm prevails about the opposing headquarters. Progressives admit the Old Guard absolutely controls the organization. They are not worried, however, because the stalwarts frankly admit they don't care to exercise their ability. Heretofore Progressives serenely believed they held the only candidate on whom it is possible to unite. This serenity showed signs of disintegration when Hughes' prospects brightened this afternoon.

Dark Horses Now Impossible.
Favorite sons sentiment and dark horse possibilities are at a low ebb. Hitchcock's announcement showed 354 delegates were instructed for favorite sons. It takes 493 to nominate.
The credentials committee today will handle contests from Louisiana and Texas.

Perkins declared positively the Progressives haven't asked Hughes questions or tried to force definite announcement from him.
Westerners Arrive.
Washington state Progressive delegation has arrived and presented indications of insurgency against Perkins' plea of harmony. Thomas Murchison of Seattle was elected chairman of the delegation. Austin Griffiths declared Progressives should remain separate and intact. Washingtonians said "Amen."

"Why Not Me?"—Cannon.
A cigar tilted skyward, "Uncle Joe" Cannon came to town today and skirmished for convention tickets and then uttered this sentiment: "Don't know who the convention will nominate, but it could do a damned site worse than pick me."

Hughes Remains Silent.
Washington, June 5.—Steadily increasing demand for a statement from Hughes regarding his willingness to accept the Republican nomination has not affected the justice. "No statement is contemplated," his secretary said.

Introducing Chicago—Noisiest Spot.
Chicago, June 5.—Chicago started today to make good on the prediction that for the next week it will be the noisiest spot in the world—unless it be Verdun. Certainly it will be the spot where more words are spilled than anywhere else. All of which is by way of preface to the fact that the

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WOMEN'S PARTY COMES TO ORDER

FIRST CONVENTION OF ITS KIND
CONVENES

Session in Chicago Purposes to Duly
Impress Men's Political Parties

PROGRAM OF THE WOMAN'S PARTY CONVENTION

Monday, June 5.—Meeting of Credentials Committee, 9 a. m. Registration of Delegates, Blackstone Theater, 10 a. m. Convention called to order, Blackstone Theater, 2 p. m. Reception to delegates, 8 p. m.

Tuesday, June 6.—Conferences of committees on resolution, platform, etc., Blackstone Theater, 10 a. m. Convention Session, 2 p. m. Convention Session, 8 p. m.

Wednesday, June 7.—Luncheon, Auditorium Hotel, 12 o'clock. Mass meeting, Blackstone Theater, 8 p. m.

Chicago, June 5.—Thirteen hundred suffrage delegates descended upon "Candidates' row" demanding immediate and decisive action toward submission of the federal suffrage amendment. The women worked under specific instructions to get a flat "yes" or "no" statement from delegates. No evasion is allowed. Every delegate was visited.

Senator Weeks of Massachusetts, was the first flat rejection to the women's cause. He immediately went on the party's black list.

Helen Keller has arrived and speaks at a luncheon of the delegates Wednesday.

Chicago, June 5.—The Woman's party, meeting in its first convention, struck its initial snag today when it tried to crowd 2500 delegates representing a dozen million women into the Blackstone Theater, which has a seating capacity of only 1800.

Before noon, following a half day of unexpected registration, no one doubted that the three-day convention which is held to impress the progressives and republicans with the women voters' power would call for numerous overflow meetings.

Women voters from the eleven "free" states were given the first prominence today and will continue to hold first place in the convention tomorrow and the day following.

"Free" women had access to the main floor of the theater. Other women crowded into the balconies and attended the overflow meetings.

Women voters will have the balance of power in the west in the coming campaign, and will use it to force candidates of all parties to pledge themselves to equal suffrage.

So said Miss Maud Younger of California, temporary chairman, in the keynote speech at the woman's party convention today.

"Elections in the west are close," she said. "Four years ago an average of 7.6 per cent of the vote would have changed the result. But whether the majorities are hundreds or thousands we mean that in the coming campaign those hundreds or thousands shall be the women voters."

"The Women's Party has no candidates, and but one plank—the enfranchisement of American women through an amendment to the constitution. We will wait no longer. With an uncertain presidential election, knowing our power and realizing our duty, we place suffrage first and pledge ourselves to cast our votes to the end that before this year has passed we may obtain the federal amendment enfranchising the women of the United States."

The rules of the Woman's Party say that the permanent chairman must be selected from one of the eleven states in which women are allowed to vote. Up to the time of the balloting no one had any idea who the chairman of the Woman's Party would be.

The principal business of the afternoon was the naming of committees and reports from the eleven equal suffrage state delegates.

A reception has been planned for this evening. Speakers at the convention will be:

Miss Maud Younger of San Francisco, Mrs. Ida Finney Macbride of Sacramento, Mrs. William Kent of Kentfield, wife of Representative Kent; Mrs. Sara Bard Field of San Francisco, and Mrs. Elizabeth Garberding of Berkeley. Anne Martin of Reno, Nevada, Mrs. Wallace Williams of North Yakima, Washington, Miss Alice Louise Reynolds of Provo, Utah, Mrs. Francis Hairs of Helena, Montana, Mrs. William H. Sawtelle of Arizona, Mrs. Lillian H. Kerr of Colorado Springs; Mrs. Dora Buell of Denver, Colo., and Dr. Caroline Spencer of Colorado Springs.

JUNE TERM IS BEGUN; JURORS SCARCE AGAIN

EIGHT LEFT FOR DUTY WHEN
GRAND JURY IS COM-
PLETED.

NATURALIZATION HEARINGS A FEATURE OF THE TERM

R. A. Hug of Elgin Is Foreman of the
Grand Jury Which Was Selected
This Morning—Suit for \$200 Is
Initial Case To Be Heard—Jurors
Short and Eight Preside.

With a docket that hasn't many important cases before, and one that probably will be brought to a close within the month, the June term of Circuit court opened this morning, J. W. Knowles presiding. A grand jury has been drawn and is now at work. Among the special instructions given the inquisitors were those pertaining to prohibition, prize fighting, indecent pictures and moving pictures exploiting desperadoes and criminals.

The grand jury consists of the following: R. A. Hug, Elgin farmer, foreman; E. G. Adecock, former La Grande merchant; A. J. Elliott, Union farmer; William Swiger, Union farmer; H. H. Cleaver, Imbler farmer; F. C. Mann, North Powder farmer; Ed Ayers, La Grande fruit grower.

Court attaches of former terms attend, namely: district attorney, Colon R. Eberhardt; clerk, Deputy K. McCormick; grand jury bailiff, J. A. Cates; trial bailiff, John Baker; court bailiff, J. M. Hills; reporter H. R. Hanna.

The docket for the first week is not.
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OREGON WATER BOARD VICTOR IN BIG FIGHT

SUPREME COURT UPHOLDS THE
RIGHT OF BOARD TO AD-
JUST WATER RIGHTS.

SILVIES RIVER MADE ISSUE IN APPEAL CASE

State Victorious in Fight to Defend
Its Right to Adjudicate Water
Rights—La Grande Attorney and
Attorney General Appeared Before
Court in Case.

Washington, June 5.—The Supreme court has declared valid the law creating Oregon's water board, giving it authority to regulate irrigation. The suit of the Pacific Livestock company to determine water rights in Silvies river attacked the constitutionality of the law.

The litigation tests the right of 200 water users in Silvies river. The Oregon federal court upheld the law. Many western states have similar water boards.

The plaintiffs contended the law violated the "due process" clause of the constitution and denied judicial protection over property.

The above case is the one in which George T. Cochran, water superintendent for the Second district, went to Washington recently in company with Attorney General Brown that both might appear before the high tribunal to defend the board's very life.

FIRST JEW ON SUPREME BENCH

BRANDEIS TAKES OATH OF OF-
FICE AT NOON.

Distinguished Assemblage Witnesses
Chief Justice Administer
Oath.

Washington, June 5.—Louis Brandeis, the first Jew to sit on the United States Supreme bench, took the oath of office at noon. A distinguished assemblage witnessed administration of the oath. Chief Justice White administered the oath of obedience to the constitution.

ANSWER DRAFTED.

Wilson Withholds Reply to Carranza
During G. O. P. Convention.

Washington, June 5.—President Wilson today began drafting his reply to Carranza's demand of withdrawal of Americans in Mexico. He intends to hand the reply to Carranza at the end of the week and thus forestall expected adverse criticism of his Mexican policy at the Chicago convention. Secretary of State Lansing and Mr. Wilson may present a rough draft of the reply to the cabinet tomorrow. It seems certain troop withdrawal will be refused but the answer will be couched in terms to leave Carranza ample opportunity to keep himself right before the Mexican public. The note will state complete peaceful conditions must prevail with a certainty that wholesale banditry, lawlessness and raids cannot recur.

NAVY PRESTIGE RECOUPS.

Persistent Reports From Admiralty
Stems Tide of Faithlessness.

London, June 5.—Hope of English families that more sailors from the Skagerak battle will be rescued, is fast being crushed. Vessels reaching Copenhagen brought tales of the awfulness of the fight, but pride in the navy is growing hourly with continued insistence by the admiralty that Germany lost heavily. Copenhagen reports dead British and German sailors are being washed ashore at Jutland, off which section of Denmark the battle occurred.

Scandinavian steamers rescued the Wiesbaden survivors. Large German cruisers which had been patrolling the Russian coast have withdrawn Copenhagen reports.

GERMANS CAN EAT NO MEAT FOR 8 WEEKS

SHORTAGE THROUGH EMPIRE
NECESSITATES STRINGENT
CONSERVATION.

GENERAL FOOD SUPPLY NOT IMPAIRED IS CLAIM

Food Dictator of Imperial Govern-
ment Frankly Discusses Meat Sit-
uation—Military Stations and Else-
where that Meat Is Needed, Supply
Is Ample He Says.

BY CARL W. ACKERMAN.

Berlin, June 5.—(Wireless to Sayville)—Civilians in Germany must not eat meat for the next eight weeks, Adolph von Batocki, food dictator, said today in frankly discussing the food situation to the United Press. He said this shouldn't be of alarm to Germany and shouldn't elate the enemies. If the coming harvest is only medium, starvation in Germany through the British blockade is impossible. He said:

"The siege has just begun. The coming eight weeks may cause discomfort to Germans who are fond of meat and furthermore, the meat shortage is apt to continue three months."

"Cattle are lean now because of a poor harvest last year and cannot be slaughtered. We must wait until they are fattened. Meanwhile we have enough meat at military hospitals and places where it is urgently needed."

There is enough food in Germany, but it is necessary civilians eat no meat for the next eight weeks as this will insure a supply this winter. We probably will issue meat cards throughout Germany. Farmers declare the present weather is highly providential. Ambassador Gerard, returning from his hunting lodge, reported rye is four feet high."

FRENCH REMAIN CONFIDENT.

Recent German Successes Do Not
Spread Serious Alarm.

Paris, June 5.—Germans launched several infantry attacks on Vaux last night, employing liquid fire. The attacks were repulsed, a communique announced. Elsewhere fighting is heavy and Germans were unable to gain a yard. Close fighting occurred at Dambloup and Vaux.

Sunday Germans gained a foothold at Vaux but were quickly expelled.

Despite recent German successes, the French are sublimely confident. They expect allied actions at other points on the western front to help solve the Verdun problem. They believe Germans are without sufficient reserves to start action along the entire western front simultaneously.

Berlin, June 5.—All French counter attacks in the Vaux-Dambloup region were repulsed heavily. It is announced. They made the greatest efforts at Fuieme Ridge. West of the Meuse Germans shelled the French heavily. The French attack in the Champagne region near Prunage was undertaken after gas preparation but failed.

British last night attacked Germans for gains southeast of Ypres, but artillery fire repulsed them. German reconnoitering detachments entered positions at Yser, North of Arnas, taking 100 wounded prisoners and a machine gun. The east front and Balkan situations are unchanged.

Many Italians Captured.

Vienna, June 5.—The capture of fifty-six hundred Italian soldiers along the Italian front on June 3rd is announced in the report from military headquarters. Three cannon, eleven machine guns, 123 mine throwers were also taken. Constantinople reported that the Turks had driven the Russians back 25 miles in Asia Minor.

STATE AGAINST STATE.

Incident of Secession Movement Pre-
sented in Supreme Court.

Washington, June 5.—Attorney General Pollard of Virginia, presented a motion to the Supreme court asking for execution on the judgment in favor of Virginia against West Virginia for \$13,000,000 as part payment of a debt since 1861 when West Virginia separated from the parent state because of the slavery question. The court made a final decision a year ago. Since then negotiations regarding the method of payment have been fruitless.

THIS FAMILY MAY BE THE NEXT OCCUPANTS OF THE WHITE HO USE.



Justice Hughes is this afternoon a very possible selection of the Republicans for the presidential nomination. Justice Hughes was 54 last April. He married Miss Antoinette Carter 25 years ago. Their son is Charles Evans Hughes, Jr. The daughters standing are the Misses Heien and Catherine; Elizabeth is sitting in her father's lap.

Will Attend Family Reunion.

Mr. and Mrs. George Stoddard of La Grande, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stoddard and Willard Stoddard of Baker, have all gone to Logan, Utah, to be present at a family reunion to be held today in honor of the 70th birthday of their mother, Mrs. Emma Stoddard.