W.H.TAFT IS CHOICE OF CONVENTION

Ballot Is in Din of **Attempted Roose**velt Stampede.

VOTE IS MADE UNANIMOUS

Cheers for La Follette Suddenly Change to President Roosevelt.

LODGE QUELLS THE STORM

Roll of States Called by Megaphone Amid Huzzas.

BURTON NAMES OHIO MAN

Ohio Starts Whirlwind of Enthusiasm When Taft Is Named. Crowd Angers Indianians and Provokes Retorts.

CHICAGO, June 18.-For President of the United States, William H. Taft, of

Taft on the first ballot, Taft by 703 votes. Taft by the unanimous choice of

Such is the record of the culminating day of the Republican National Convention of 1908, effected amid scenes of tumultuous enthusiasm, and after a nerveeight hours. With the President named and the platform enunciated, there remains only the nomination for Vice-President to complete the momentous work. Tonight the whole city is given over to his escape, running toward the river. wild exultation in honor of the new candidate, whose name goes echoing through the country.

The picture within the walls of the vast amphitheater as the Presidential candidate was named today was one truly grand in its magnitude. In front, to the right and left, below and above, the billowing sea of humanity, restless after hours of waiting and stirred from one emotion to another, was in a fever of expectancy for the culminating vote. The favorite sons of other states had been named, save Knox and La Follette, and now on the rollcall came Ohio.

Rampant Shouts for Taft.

As the Buckeye state was reached, the tall, gaunt form of Theodore E. Burton, with student-like face and severe black, to nominate Ohio's candidate. He spoke fervently, with the singing voice of an evangelist, which went ringing through the great building. The close of his speech of nomination was the signal for the long pent-up feeling of the Taft legions. Instantly the Ohio delegates were on their feet, other Taft states following, while the convention hosts in gallery and on floor broke into a mad demonstration.

"Taft, Taft, W. H. Taft," came in a roar from the Ohioans. Megaphones seemed to spring from concealed places and swell the Taft tumult into thunder. A huge, blue silk banner pearing the familiar features of the statesman-Secretary was swung before the delegates, awakening a fresh whirlwind

Exhaustion Ends Tumult.

All semblance of order had been abandoned, and the delegates were a maelstrom of gesticulating men. guidons of the states were snatched up by the Taft enthusiasts or borne under by the storm of disorder. The band was inaudible-a mere whisper above the deafening volume of sound. For 10, 15, yes 20 minutes this uproar was continued. It was a repetition of the scene of yesterday, when the name Roosevelt brought the convention into a frenzy. But there is a limit to the physical resources of throat and lung, relays had not been established and at last the tired voices died down to a hoarse shout and subsided.

This lull now gave the opportunity for the speech seconding Taft's nomination by George A. Knight, of California, his big, round face beaming forth on the sympathetic multitude and his splendld baritone voice going forth like the tones of a great church organ. California's tribute to Taft was brief and fervid. Now there was another lull in the Taft movement, while the remaining candidates were placed in nomination.

Wave of La Follette Cheers.

It was late in the afternoon before the convention, now literally sweltering with the intense heat and weary after nearly hours of continuous session, reached the end of the flood of eloquence

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OREGON DOCTOR DEAD IN CANYON

Morning

J. H. LOGAN, OF WESTON, MUR-DERED OR SUICIDE.

Body Found Near Los Angeles, Having Been Dead Two Months.

LOS ANGELES, Cal. June 18 .- (Special.)-Through letters found in the pockets and through A. Johns, of Holwood, who kad known him, a body found resterday at the mouth of Laurel Canyon was identified today as that of Dr. J.

H. Logan, of Weston, Or. Whether the man was murdered, ended his own life or died naturally probably will never be known. The condition of the body indicated that Logan had been dead for more than two months.

Elmer Jones, aged 17, descovered the body about 7 o'clock last evening. He reported the fact to Marshal Ingo, of Hollywood. The officer and Coroner Hartwell made a minute investigation. In the clothing were found a 5-cent plece, several letters and prescription

The Coroner will hold no inquest until he has heard from relatives in the North, who have been telegraphed.

Residents of Weston who are in Portland believe that aged Dr. Logan died from natural causes. He had been in feeble health for months, it is said, and left his home in Weston in the hope of nproving his condition. He is surived by a daughter, Mrs. R. F. Johnon, who resides at Weston.

He was 70 years of age and had lived ear Weston for more than 30 years. Many years ago he was a farmer, but fore recently he had been a veterinary surgeon. It was as a result of that practice that he acquired the title of

FIRES AT OFFICER PORTER

After Knocking Patrolman to Walk,

Prisoner Escapes.

Patrolman Porter was attacked early this morning by an unknown man whom he had arrested, knocked down with a disarmed and made the target of a bullet from his own revolver. The assault occurred at Second and Salmon streets. Officer Porter was t injured, except for a cut on the chin where he was hit by the bottle, and the prisoner made good his escape.

The unknown man was arrested after a fight in which he had knocked down a tamale vender at Second and Salmo Officer Porter then took him a short dist ance to telephone for the patrol wagon When Porter stepped into the telephone booth, the prisoner drew from his packet a heavy bottle and flung it, hitting the patrolman in the face. Following up the blow, which had knocked Porter to the walk, the stranger got possession of his gun and when the officer rose fired at him but missed. The stranger made good

LEADER GIVES UP REINS John Sharp Williams Makes Final Announcement.

EUFALA, Ala., June 18 .- Announcement of the resignation of Congressman John Sharp Williams, from the minority leadership of the House was made today by Congressman H. D. C. Layton, chairman of the Democratic caucus. Mr. Williams that in his retirement he is actuated solely by the belief that it is best for



J. Frank Hanly, Governor Indiana, Who Nominated Fair-

the party. Mr. Williams' letter says he has long contemplated this step owing to

Ill health. He resigns now that his successor may benefit by the training of the short ses-

STEEL TUBE PLANT BURNS

Fire at Shelby, O., Causes Loss of Nearly \$2,000,000.

SHELBY, O., June 18,-Fire late tonight destroyed the plant of the Shelby Steel Tube Company, owned by the United States Steel Corporation. The loss is said to be close to \$2,000,000.

Will Be Total Loss.

TILLAMOOK, Or., June 18 .- (Special.)-The three-masted schooner Ida Schnauer, which went ashore on Tillamook spit yesterday afternoon, is rapidly pounding to pieces and will be a total wreck with-in a few hours.

REPUBLICAN NOMINEE FOR PRESIDENT



WILLIAM HOWARD TAFT.

ONE STATE OPPOSES

Majority Report on Platform Overwhelmingly Adopted.

WISCONSIN STANDS ALONE

No Other Delegation Joins Her in Fight-New Jersey and South Dakota Give Scattering Votes. Debate Cut Short.

CONVENTION HALL, Chicago, June 18.-Both in respect to temperature and political development, the early indications were that the third day of the Republican National Convention would be warmer than any of its predecessors. From the political viewpoint the warmth of the day was expected to result from a | dead woman's estate. possible fight on the floor of the convention over the anti-injunction plank of the platform, and demands in behalf of the various candidates as their names were presented to the convention. The delegates expecting a long, interesting and physically uncomfortable session, were slow in arriving at the hall and 15 minutes before 10 o'clock, the hour to which the adjournment of yesterday was taken, there were less than a dozen of them in their seats.

The Taft managers, in order to fully conserve the interests of their candidate. early in the day placed on the floor of the convention, but not in the capacity of either delegates or alternates, a number of the most prominent men in the party who are attached to the Taft candidacy. The duty of these men was to watch the work of the opposition candidates and to promptly head off any possible deflection of strength and to hasten all decisions. These men were: Senators Fultoh, of Oregon, Warren of Wyoming, Burkett of Nebraska, Long of Kansas, Borah of Idaho, National Committeeman Charles F. Booker, of Connecticut; Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, and E. C. Duncan, of North Carolina.

Frank H. Hitchcock. Taft manager, was also roaming around the convention during the entire day; seeking occasion to aid the cause of the secretary in all

possible ways. With the gathering of the multitude, the heat in the hall increased appreciably and it was not long before shirtsleeves were much in evidence

Among the early arrivals in the Ohio delegation, anxious to witness the struggle for the nomination, were several members of the Taft family. Charles P. Taft sat in his seat as delegate-at-large in the Ohio section, and, in the front row of the gallery, were Henry W. Taft, also a brother of the War Secretary; Mrs. Henry W. Taft and Miss Taft and Mrs. Charles P. Taft. It was exactly 10:17 A. M., when

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NO CEREMONY AT OBSEQUIES OF LA PORTE MURDERESS.

Bodies of Woman and Three Chilcago Bought by Her.

CHICAGO, June 18 .- (Special.)-The supposed bodies of Mrs. Bella Gunness. Porte, Ind., and her three children were buried at Forest Home Cemetery today Mrs. Nellie Larson, sister of Mrs. Gun ness, a few relatives and friends, with several dozens morbidly curious persons watched the burial in a lot which Mrs. Gunness purchased several year

There was no ceremony. The ship ping boxes were placed in two under taker's wagons and driven to the city hall for burial permits and then to the cemetery. None of the Chicago relatives were at the train. Arrangements were made by the La Porte authorities and the expense was borne by the

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BELLA GUNNESS CAN'T HEAD IT OFF

Allies Go Down Before Taft Steam-Roller.

IT TRAVELS FULL SPEED

Crushes Down Opposition to Injunction Plank, Overcomes Wisconsin Men and Gets Taft Nominated Amid Roar of Stampeders.

BY EDGAR B. PIPER. CHICAGO, Ill., June 18 .- (Staff Corresondence.)-I shall have only a few observations to make on the events of the day. The Taft steam roller got up irresistible the ailles. They nearly gave up trying hard when they lost the fight to reduce the Southern representation in future onventions. They surrendered to the ve hement insistence of the Roosevelt-Taft forces that there be an anti-injunction plank by agreeing to a compromise, which now appears in the platform, and the specific and definite legislation for curtailing the power of courts than the original plank. But the "conservatives" are satisfied, or say they are, for they made no objection when the platform, framed largely by President Roosevelt in the interest of Taft's candidacy, was sub-

Wisconsin Dose Rejected.

Wisconsin alone was not pleased with a platform that was the perfected work of 50-odd other members of the mmittee, and, single-handed, carried a fight to the floor of the convention. Wisconsin, under the flag of La Follette, has reached that state of legislative development where it thinks it knows better what is good for the country at large than all the other states combined know; and Wisconsin proposes, when It can hold the country's nose in its hand, to shove its various reform medicines down the unwilling patient's throat.

The convention listened with the greatest impatience to the demands of the Wisconsin orators for a heating in a cause foredoomed to overwhelming defeat. But the men from La Follette's state insisted on their parliamentary rights, and consumed two hours in futile speechmaking and rollcalls.

Hopkins Wearles Convention. Just before the Wisconsin episode Senator Hopkins of Illinois had presented the platform, the largest document ever adopted by a Republican convention. Hopkins is not an impressive figure and has a poor voice, and he had the bad judgment to attempt himself to read the platform, instead of leaving it to one of the several clerks, who have throats of megaphonic quality. The result was great and growing disorder and few heard the platform. Nearly everybody was

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ROOSEVELT GIVES VOICE TO HIS JOY

Oregontan.

SAYS TAFT WILL BE PRESIDENT OF PLAIN PEOPLE.

Has Intimate Knowledge of Nation's Needs and Stands Against Privilege or Demagogy.

WASHINGTON, June 18.-Immediately pon receiving news of the nomination of Secretary Taft for the Presidency, Presi-

ent Roosevelt said:
"I feel that the country is, indeed, to congratulated upon the nomination o Mr. Taft. I have known him intimately for many years and I have a peculiar eeling for him, because throughout that time we worked for the same object with the same purposes and ideas.

"I do not believe there could be found in all the country a man so well fitted to be President. He is not only absolute ly fearless, absolutely disinterestd and upright, but he has the widest acquaint-ance of the Nation's needs without and within and the broadest sympathies with all our citizens. He would be emphatically a President of the plain people, as much so as Lincoln, yet not Lincoln him self could be freer from the least taint of demagogy, the least tendency to rouse, to appeal to class hatred of any

"He has a peculiar and intimate knowledge of and sympathy with the needs of all our people-of the farmers, of the wageworkers, of the business man, of the property-owner. No matter what a nan's occupation or social position, matter what his creed, his color or the section of the country from which h omes, if he is an honest, hard-working nan who tries to do his duty toward his neighbor and toward the country, he can rest assured that he will have in Mr Taft the most upright of representatives and the most fearless of champions,

"Mr. Taft stands against privilege and he stands pre-eminently for the broad principles of American citizenship which lie at the foundation of our National

WANT INDEPENDENCE NOW

Philippine Assembly Voices Sentiment of People.

MANILA, June 19 .- The Philippine As embly today, on the eve of adjournment declared by a vote of 57 to 15 that inde pendence was the aspiration of the Filipine people and that they were ready for immediate independence.

House formally at the close of the session, bruoght up the question. He said that it was his aspiration to have inde-The people wanted it and their acts and accomplishments showed that they were capable of receiving it. manded a separate vote on the question, their spokesmen declaring that the people were not yet ready for complete independence. All wanted independence he said, some day; but the time was not yet ripe for it.

"TAFT IS MY CANDIDATE"

Foraker Declares Purpose to Help Him in Campaign.

WASHINGTON, June 18 .- "Until the envention made a nomination, every Re-Presidency, "but it is no longer a question of men, but a question of party. "In this way Secretary Taft becomes my candidate for the Presidency and,



of Ohio, Who Nominated

while under all the circumstances I can probably do but little, I shall do all I can to help him. The Republicans will that he would not be acceptable to the turn all their guns on the common

PERSIA IN BAD PLIGHT

Russian Gunboat Enters Port of Enzeli on Caspian.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 18 .- A dispatch received here from Baku says a Russan gunboat has entered the Persian port of Enzeli on the Caspian Sea. but the statement has not been confirmed. The foreign office here is without definite advices from Teheran concerning the situation in Persia. It sees but few encouraging symptoms in the present state of anarchy that exists in

ABOUT TAFT'S **ASSOCIATE**

Sherman of New York Develops Strength.

WESTERN MEN OBJECT

Taft Asked to Express His Preference, but Preserves Silence.

IOWANS PUSH CUMMINS

Withdraw Dolliver's Name, Taft Believed to Want Him.

FAIRBANKS FINALLY OUT

Could Probably Have Nomination on Hint-Knight a Possibility-Hammond Draws Out, but

CHICAGO, June 19 .- At 2:25 A. M. the Vice-Presidential situation at the Naonal convention was still in an unsettled condition. A conference of leaders, most, but not all of them, supporters of Secretary Taft, at the rooms of Frank H. Hitchcock, began at 10 o'clock last night and adjourned at that time to b resumed early in the morning, and it is hoped by the Taft forces that sentimen will have crystallized on some candidate before the convention is called to order

Sherman Seems Strongest.

Senator Beveridge's name had been vorably considered. was thought to be for Representative Sherman. Some representations were made, however, effect upon his prospects. A number of prominent Western Republicans cited his action in Congress on several matters of legislation which, it publican had a right to have his choice," was argued, would be used against him said Senator Foraker, after hearing of in the campaign and cause him to weaken the nomination of Secretary Taft for the rather than to strengthen the ticket. His nomination, they urged, would be construed in some quarters as a contradiction of the progressive professions of the

platform adopted by the convention. No Word From Taft.

Many delegates who had been Mr. Taft's strongest supporters are counting upon the Presidential nominee indicating his preference. If he should indicate a choice the delegates say they could make a nomination without question. The sit-uation has been presented to him by wire, but no definite preference has been expressed by him.

A number of other conferences of state delegations and groups of states were held during the night, but they were very largely supplementary to the gathering in Mr. Hitchcock's room, and in the main were intended to supply confirmation to the delegates there assembled.

Middle West Man Wanted.

In the absence of a statement from Presidential nominee the conference busied itself with a discussion of the situation and in doing so the availability of many men was discussed. The preponderance of opinion seemed to be favorable to the selection of some man from the Mississippi Valley, and then the names of Senator Dolliver and Governor Hughes were frequently mentioned. The meeting was made aware of the action of the lowa delegation in deciding to withdraw the name of Senator Dolliver in case it should be presented, and it was the general view that such action would have a demoralizing effect upon the convention. The kindly feeling of the Administration for Governor Cummins was conceded, but some expressed the thought convention.

Cummins in Place of Dolliver.

The names of Senators Long, of Kansas, and Warner, of Missouri, were given. but both of these gentlemen, being present, promptly declined to be considered as candidates. It was reported that Vice-President Fairbanks would have many friends in the convention and the opinion was held by some that all things considered he would make the most acceptable nominee that could be chosen. Among those who attended the meeting were Mr. Hitchcock, Arthur I. Vorys of Ohio, Senstors Long and Curtis of Kansas, Warner of Missouri, Warren of Wyoming, Lodge of Massachusetts, Burkett of Nebraska, Fulton of Oregon and Flint of California, Herbert Parsons of New York,

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