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## HARMONY MARKS OPENING SESSION

### As Conventions Go, Affair Is Tame.

## LODGE SOUNDS KEYNOTE

### Call to Party to Oust "Wilson Dynasty" From Power Is Cheered.

## PLATFORM WORK IS BEGUN

### Adjournment of Two-Hour Meeting Sees Committee Deliberations Start.

CHICAGO, June 8.—The republican national convention demonstrated at its opening two-hour session today that if it lacked leadership it did not lack harmony for the preliminaries at least.

Most of the session was taken up with the keynote speech of Senator Lodge, temporary chairman of the national convention. From the moment that National Chairman Hays stepped out on the speaker's platform and called the assemblage to order until adjournment time, the average look-oner might have imagined that it was all over but the shouting. Not a lung let loose with any wild scream for a favorite; not a voice was raised in protest to any set plan for the preliminaries, and all joined in shouting approval of Senator Lodge's call to the party to rise up and sweep the "Wilson dynasty" out of power.

### Opening Is Tame.

But as conventions go, it was tame. It seemed as if some of the factions felt that the ice was thin.

Half an hour late in starting, the convention jumped quickly to its work. First came the national chairman, who received a roar of cheers from the delegates, and the Right Rev. Charles E. Woodcock of Louisville, Ky., whose opening prayer wafted through sound amplifiers reached every part of the hall.

The crowd that had been reverently silent during the prayer, shuffled its feet and kept up a continuous rattle of talk while the secretary, in a droning tone, read the formal call for the meeting. A little earlier it had roared with laughter at the acrobatic antics of a song leader as he followed Chairman Hays to the platform to lead the singing and cheers.

### Delegates Roar Approval.

There was a roar of approval from the delegates when Chairman Hays declared that the republican party had met in free and open convention "to accept from the people a mandate for the government of the United States." A second outburst came a moment later when he shouted "there will be no bolt in this convention."

The appearance of Senator Lodge, who had been escorted to the stage from his place on the floor with the Massachusetts delegation, was the signal for the first real demonstration of the day. Crowds in the galleries stood, as did the delegates, cheering and waving flags.

The cheering broke out afresh as he was introduced by Mr. Hays as "Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of the United States." Then for an hour and a half he held the close attention of the big auditorium and brought forth cheering by sharp thrusts at all the policies of the Wilson administration.

### Other Work Quickly Done.

It did not take long after Senator Lodge finished speaking to wind up the other work. The usual announcements were made and organization resolutions rushed.

That was the end of the first day's work, and on motion of Governor Beckman of Rhode Island the convention adjourned until 11 A. M. tomorrow.

With the adjournment the various committees immediately went to work, the resolutions committee beginning consideration of the platform and the credentials committee to review some of the delegate contests which were decided last week by the national committee.

## LODGE IS SELECTED PERMANENT CHAIRMAN

### CHOICE TO GO TO CONVENTION TODAY FOR APPROVAL.

Nominations of ex-Senator Beveridge and Senator McCormick Are Defeated.

CHICAGO, June 8.—Senator Lodge, temporary chairman of the republican national convention, was selected today by the committee on permanent organization as permanent chairman and his name will be presented tomorrow to the convention for approval.

There were three nominations for the place and Senator Lodge was named on the first ballot, over ex-Senator Beveridge, Indiana, and Senator McCormick of Illinois. The vote was: Lodge 22, Beveridge 9, McCormick 7. On motion of the Illinois member, the recommendation was made unanimous.

The remainder of the temporary organization was recommended for permanent service without opposition.

Senator Lodge was placed in nomination by William Barnes of New York, Mr. Beveridge by Governor Goodrich of Indiana, and Senator McCormick by Lieutenant Governor Oglesby of Illinois. No speechmaking followed the nominations and the vote resulted as follows:

Lodge—Colorado, Connecticut, Kansas, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Mississippi, Minnesota, Nevada, New Hampshire, New York, North Carolina, North Dakota, Ohio, Oregon, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, West Virginia, Wyoming—22.

Beveridge—Arkansas, Idaho, Indiana, Kentucky, Missouri, New Jersey, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Porto Rico—9.

McCormick—Alabama, Delaware, Illinois, Iowa, Maine, Maryland, Nebraska—7.

## GASOLINE HOARD FOUND

### 7000 Gallons Located by Fire Marshall's Employees.

Fire Marshal Grenfell announced last night that his men had discovered 7000 gallons of gasoline stored on premises of the Columbia River Shipbuilding company without permit. He said he would ask a warrant for the arrest of the persons responsible as soon as the responsibility had been fixed.

The firemen found the gasoline in the course of their investigation to prevent hoarding of the petrol during the present shortage. The fire marshal said the gasoline was stored in a crude oil tank and that the city probably would make no objection to its storage under proper conditions. No evidence has been found regarding the time when the gasoline was purchased.

## BRITAIN HONORS GORGAS

### Knight Commandership Conferred on American General.

LONDON, June 8.—King George today conferred a Knight Commandership of the Order of St. Michael and St. George on Major-General William C. Gorgas, former surgeon-general of the United States army. The king took advantage of his visit of inspection at the military hospital in the city to call on the distinguished American at Queen Alexandra's nursing home, which is attached to the hospital.

In a long talk with General Gorgas the king complimented him on his great achievements in conquering malaria in the canal zone by medical science.

## SUFFRAGE GETS SETBACK

### Louisiana Senate Blocks Motion by Close Vote.

BATON ROUGE, La., June 8.—The resolution providing for ratification of a constitutional amendment was defeated in the senate of the general assembly of Louisiana tonight. The vote was 22 to 19 on a motion to postpone indefinitely consideration of the resolution.

This action of the senate does not mean the definite defeat of suffrage in the Louisiana legislature, as a resolution exactly duplicating the one introduced in the senate is now pending in the house and if it passes will again come before the senate for final action.

## CHINESE AREAS AGREED

### Terms of Peace Worked Out by North and South China.

SHANGHAI, June 8.—(By the Associated Press.)—A definite agreement on terms of peace between northern and southern China has been reached between Wang Yih Ting, northern plenipotentiary peace delegate, and the former leaders, Wu Ting Fang, Tang Shao Yi, former premier of the "pekin" government, and Dr. Sun Yat Sen.

Although peace delegates have been here for nine months, they met for the first time in formal conference yesterday.

## TAIL SPIN PROVES FATAL

### Two Aviation Cadets Instantly Killed at Kelly Field.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., June 8.—Aviation cadets Roy W. Ellington of McCray, Ark., and Harold Brawley of Mildred, Mont., were instantly killed at Kelly field today when their airplane went into a tail spin and fell 2000 feet, bursting into flames when it struck the earth.

Both cadets came here recently from March field, Riverside, Cal.

## PARTY PLATFORM PROBLEM BIG ONE

### Sub-Committee Tackles Prodigious Job.

## EVERYBODY EAGER TO HELP

### Pleas and Petitions of All Kinds Rushed In.

## WATSON ASSUMES CHARGE

### Indiana Senator Has 12 Assistants, Mr. McCamant of Oregon Among Number.

CHICAGO, June 8.—The real job of framing the republican platform was entrusted tonight to a resolutions sub-committee of 13, while the full committee of 52 appointed by the convention was conducting a public hearing for all who had suggestions to offer.

Senator Watson of Indiana, overwhelmingly elected chairman of the committee earlier in the day, followed the usual custom and assumed also the chairmanship of the sub-committee. Among the other members named by him were Senator Borah of Idaho, who wants a plank rejecting entirely the league of nations; Governor Beckman of Rhode Island, who has publicly objected to too much senatorial control in the convention, and Oden L. Mills of New York, who headed Chairman Hays' policies committee of 17.

Although the leanings of some of the members have not been revealed, it was said that an effort had been made to make the sub-committee representative of all the extremes of republican opinion, particularly on the still unsolved treaty issue.

Mr. McCamant Member.

In addition to those named, the sub-committee members are William Allen White of Kansas; William Heyburn of Kentucky; D. Lawrence Greener of Virginia; Louis A. Coolidge of Massachusetts; Senator McCormick of Illinois; Senator Smoot of Utah; Wallace McCamant of Oregon; Harris Gilpin of Michigan and John F. Neuman of California.

Although the hearings of the full committee will continue through tomorrow, only 11 members were in the morning in the hope of completing the platform by Thursday.

As at first announced by Senator Watson, only 11 members were included on the sub-committee, but the names of Senator McCormick, another of the senate irreconcilables, and Mr. Neuman were added later.

Petition Deluge Starts.

Among those heard tonight was Henry Lane Wilson, Indiana, former American ambassador to Mexico, who pleaded for a platform declaration recognizing "our direct responsibility" for conditions in Mexico and pledging the party to "full protection" of American property in Mexican territory. He said, however, he did not advocate action "which would lead to intervention or war."

Immediately a deluge of applications and petitions descended on the committee table and Chairman Watson declared that almost continuous sessions would be necessary night and day to give hearings to all of those desiring it and to work out a programme of party declarations in time for submission to the convention Thursday.

Those clamoring for an audience include vets and drys, suffragists and anti-suffragists, economists, Irish sympathizers, labor leaders and many others who thought they could give their views a hearing.

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## TROUBLOUS TIMES LOOM AT CHICAGO

### JOHNSON WANTS BORAH FOR PERMANENT CHAIRMAN.

### Irreconcilables Shake Fists Where Old Guard Shakes Finger of Warning.

BY JAMES J. MONTAGUE. (Copyright by the Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

CHICAGO, June 8.—(Special.)—As Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler would say, the battle is joined. What Nicholas would mean is the trouble is started. All hopes that this convention would finish like a love feast are fallen and cold and dead. Like all good high-class trouble, it was unpremeditated; it stood not in the order of its coming, but came with a rush, and not men, but issues, started it.

In the still night of Monday the old guard leaders sent young Theodore Roosevelt to see Senator Johnson.

"In the interests of harmony, Senator," said young Theodore plaintively, "whom do you want for permanent chairman?"

"Borah," said Johnson.

"But, Senator," protested young Theodore, "that would not be in the interest of harmony."

"I know it," said Johnson.

"No," said Borah, "I know it. It is in the interest of harmony, Senator, that you should be in the interest of harmony."

"Your refusal is not in interest of harmony, Senator," said the emissaries reproachfully.

"So all harmony bets are off. The irreconcilables are just as irreconcilable as they ever were, which means that they are considerably more irreconcilable than so many"

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## WOOD BACKERS WIN HIGH CHAIRMANSHIPS

### RESOLUTIONS AND CREDENTIALS COMMITTEES HEADED.

### General's Supporters Elated Despite Trend of Old-Timers' Talk for Lowden.

CHICAGO, June 8.—The Wood forces, although the general trend of talk among old-line politicians is toward Lowden, are elated tonight. They won a victory in the principal business transacted.

Instructed Wood delegates won the two most important committee chairmanships—Senator Watson of Indiana for resolutions and Edward D. Duffield of New Jersey for credentials.

Frank H. Hitchcock was designated by the Wood delegates as their supreme strategist.

"Think of the psychological effect of this victory," he said, when asked where and how he expected Wood to benefit from these steps in organization.

"We controlled the committee against powerful opposition, almost solid anti-Wood forces," Mr. Hitchcock added. "So far as increasing our total number of delegates is concerned the selection of Mr. Duffield over Charles H. Innes of Massachusetts, is of small moment. We will make no effort to overturn the work of the national committee. We do so would prejudice the Wood cause and I have given our forces instructions not to do so. No rough stuff will come from us, but we are glad to be able to show that the majority of the committee on credentials and also of resolutions is not against Wood."

Talk Drifts Toward Lowden.

While these developments were taking place the drift of the talk, and it may be nothing more, was toward Lowden.

It was kept going by the old-line party leaders, but whether it is sufficiently potent to affect the delegates opposed to Wood or Johnson they do not profess to know them.

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## SMALL STUFF FROM CHICAGO

CHICAGO, June 8.—The Wood instructed delegates, unaccompanied by any of the managers who have been identified with the campaign thus far, after a conference with the general late today, agreed on a board of strategy, including William H. Crocker as national committee man until after the nominations.

Friends of Senator Johnson, in a majority on the California delegation, were reported opposed to re-electing William H. Crocker as national committee man. In the past Mr. Crocker has been prominent in the anti-Johnson wing of the party in California.

It was reported that some of Senator Johnson's friends had urged supplanting of Mr. Crocker by a man friendly to William Randolph Hearst, whose newspapers are supporting the Johnson candidacy, but opposition was said to have caused abandonment of the move and the agreement to let the national committee election go over temporarily.

An attempt was made late today to form a union of western state delegations under the auspices of Senator Johnson's supporters. The first step, a meeting called just after the convention adjourned by former United States Senator Frank P. Flint of the California delegation, was attended by delegates representing Utah, Washington, Nevada, Arizona and Oregon.

Governor Lowden goes into the republican convention undisputed master in his home state as a result of his victory last night in the Illinois caucus over Mayor William Hale Thompson of Chicago, but probably will lose the 17 Cook county (Chicago) votes which Thompson controls.

Delaware's votes in the convention are expected to be cast on the first ballot for T. Coleman Dupont, national committeeman. Daniel O. Hastings of Wilmington will make the nominating speech.

Henry Lincoln Johnson, an Atlanta negro who led the fight of the Lowden delegates before the republican national committee today, was elected national committeeman from Georgia by the state delegation. The Wood delegates, headed by Roscoe Pickett, the defeated candidate for national committeeman, announced that they would carry the fight to the credentials committee of the convention.

Ernest Bamberger was chosen national committeeman by the Utah caucus today. Other states elected as follows:

Tennessee, John W. Overhill; Maryland, William E. Jackson; Arkansas, H. L. Bennett; South Carolina, James W. Tolson; Kentucky, A. T. Hart; North Carolina, John M. Morehead; Illinois, Lawrence Y. Sherman; Arizona, Allen B. James; Porto Rico, Robert H. Todd; Texas, H. F. McGreer; Missouri, O. H. P. Shelley; South Dakota, W. C. Cook; Philippines, H. D. McCoy.

Picketing by the national woman's party outside the Coliseum today was as quiet as a lawn social.

Under orders from Mayor Thompson the police made things as comfortable for the pickets as possible. For four hours they stood bareheaded and silent in the sun holding banners. They will be on the job again tomorrow and until the convention adjourns.

"What do you think of Hughes for president?" was asked of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers. "Well, this convention might go a great deal further and do much worse," the mine workers' president replied. Labor is showing

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## KEYNOTE SPEECH IS DISAPPOINTING

### Senator Lodge Fails to Rouse Enthusiasm.

## MALICIOUS TONE NOT LIKED

### Choice of Chairman Regretted by Management.

## FATIGUE IS INDICATED

### Speaker Lacks Spirit and Does Not Compel Veneration Because Too Young.

BY MARK SULLIVAN. (Copyright by the New York Evening Post, Inc. Published by Arrangement.)

CHICAGO, June 8.—(Special.)—The party leaders are disappointed with Senator Lodge's keynote speech. It had been decided that Mr. Lodge was to be not only temporary chairman but permanent chairman as well, and that it was too late to make a change. But it is no secret that after the speech this morning the party management wanted to make a change. They would have preferred some one who could put a little more spirit into the occasion. Senator Lodge is not old enough to be venerable, and a little too old, or at least too tired from his long winter in the Senate, to be able to inspire those emotions which are the purpose of the keynote speech.

One feels compelled to admit that as a keynote speech Senator Lodge's effort was a little inadequate in substance and disappointing in its reception. A keynote speech is supposed to bring forth great bursts of applause.

Handclapping Not Excited.

Today there was nothing like that. The most excited reception that any part of the speech got was merely a slightly gusty handclapping. The first applause came when Senator Lodge had completed his rather over-liturgical beginning and got down to pounding the democrats. It came when he said that "Mr. Wilson and his dynasty, his heirs and assigns, or anybody that is his, anybody who with bent knees has served his purposes, must be driven from control, from all influence upon the government of the United States."

Everybody, of course, recognized the allusion to Mr. McAdoo, and many, as good republican republicans, applauded it, but many others felt that just that way of beginning the indictment of a party had an unpleasant touch of partisan meanness.

A stump speaker can talk that way, but the senior senator from Massachusetts delivering the keynote speech at a great national convention ought to have something a little more elevated in his armor for such an occasion.

Waspish Malice Felt.

Nearly all Senator Lodge's allusions to the administration had this same trick of waspish malice. The administration could have been indicted in a serious and lofty way. There was and is abundant material for that. In Senator Lodge's way of getting at it the audience felt a certain malevolence of personality which was repellent.

On another occasion Senator Lodge referred to Mr. Wilson as "a democrat free-trader of socialist proclivities." That kind of political controversy makes an uncomfortable impression. As you listened, you felt it was just like throwing bricks or epithets. You felt that Senator Lodge was just calling the president hard names.

Also, again and again, Senator Lodge's speech reflected the fact that

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## MCCAMANT CONTEST HEARING IS REFUSED

### MANNIX PETITION PASSED UP BY CREDENTIALS BODY.

### Committee Continues Work Late Into Night to Clear Stage for Convention Programme.

CHICAGO, June 8.—Late tonight the credentials committee of the republican national convention was still at work hearing appeals from last week's decisions of the republican national committee.

Practically the same ground was being gone over and the prospects were that the committee might sit until the small hours of the morning to complete its report and enable the convention to go ahead tomorrow with a permanent roll of the delegates.

The committee refused to hear a petition filed by Thomas Mannix of Portland, Ore., and Wallace McCamant, delegate at large from Oregon, be unseated on the ground that he "obtained his election by fraud." McCamant, the petition said, refused to be bound by the Oregon preference primary, which was carried by Senator Johnson. Prior to his election as delegate, it said he had promised to abide by the primary instructions.

In the last Georgia contest, from the tenth district, the committee upheld the national committee's action seating Dr. Robert C. Williams of Augusta, reported to favor Lowden. The contest of the Wood challenger, J. W. Lyons of Augusta, was dismissed.

A contest application from Louisiana was refused, leaving the "regular" delegation on the permanent roll undisturbed.

The committee affirmed the action of the national committee by seating Representative Thomas D. Shell and L. M. Mithun from the tenth Minnesota district, unseated. The "regular" delegates, who were pledged to Wood, lost their appeal.

The fourth Missouri district delegates on the temporary roll, favorable to Wood, were seated when the contestants failed to appear.

The delegates from the second and fourth Oklahoma districts, placed on the temporary roll by the national committee, were ordered seated. The second district delegates are unseated, while the two delegates from the fourth favor Lowden.

Four Wood delegates from the fifth Oklahoma district, seated by the national committee, were placed on the permanent roll. The four, including two women, were the contesting delegates before the national committee. The four Oklahoma delegates, who were seated by the national committee, opposed seating the Wood delegates.

The foul Mulvihill delegates at large from Mississippi reported favorable action by the national committee on the permanent roll and the appeal of the Howard faction from the national committee ruling dismissed.

Of the 137 contests decided by the national committee, 101 were appealed.

Henry Lincoln Johnson, the Atlanta negro chosen national committeeman today, and three other delegates at large reported favorable to Lowden, while the four Oklahoma delegates, seated by the national committee, were placed on the permanent roll. The Wood forces gained one Georgia vote, however, when the committee unseated a Lowden district delegate.

The committee's action left the Georgia delegation standing 12 unplaced on the permanent roll and the appeal of the Howard faction from the national committee ruling dismissed.

Edward D. Duffield of New Jersey was elected chairman of the committee on credentials. The chairman of Massachusetts, William F. Laub of Washington, was chosen secretary. The election of Mr. Duffield was said to be without significance as to the presidential race.

Chairman Duffield was said to be a

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## SPROUL LEADS IN DARKHORSE RACE

### Pennsylvanian Seems to Be Best Bet.

## ALL NOW IS GUESSWORK

### Belief That Neither Wood Nor Lowden Can Be Nominated Is Growing.

## JOHNSON LIKELY MUST GO

### Interest of Many at Convention Seems to Center on Pennsylvania Executive.

BY EDGAR B. PIPER. (Editorial Correspondence.)—A man, a politician of national fame, told me today that tomorrow he would tell me precisely what the programme is for the nomination of a president. I had been looking for him ever since I came here. I knew he was in touch with many states, many leaders and many interests, and I had confidence that he was more nearly in the center of events than any other of my acquaintances. But of what value is inside information tomorrow? I want to know today, since I have many misgivings about tomorrow.

Anything may happen over night and upset the best calculations of the keenest engineers of the political machine. I avoid the use of the term "steam roller." It is not here. I have my doubts also about the machine. But to the popular mind no convention can exist without a machine, and no machine without engineers, so I adopt the phrase.

Sproul Held Possibility.

What I suspect that my old-guard acquaintance purposes to tell me tomorrow is that neither Wood nor Lowden can be beaten and that Johnson must be beaten and that necessarily a dark horse must be found. I suspect also that he will, unless he changes his mind, give me the name of the chon animal, and my guess is that it will be Sproul of Pennsylvania. I will report my discoveries later.

For the present it is sufficient to say that evidences are multiplying that the high-card of dark horse promoters bears the name of the popular and impressive looking governor of Pennsylvania. I am confirmed in my conjecture by an interview with another noted politician, who so far as I could see has been making strenuous efforts for three or four days to ascertain the location, direction and capacity of the band wagon. I asked him in the name of all the people of the great northwest, thirsting for authentic information, to help me relieve their suspense.

Theory Is Advanced.

"Let me know," he said sagely, "what you think about it and I will tell you whether you are right or wrong."

I advanced a theory as to conditions and probable results. It was a poor thing, but mine own, as the poet says, I thought it could serve as well as any other.

It was in brief that the temper of the delegates was steadily being hardened into a determination to discard the three leading candidates after a series of fruitless ballots, wherein a deadlock would result. It was probable that Wood would lead in the first ballot, and for several ballots, and be followed in close order by Lowden and Johnson. On the second ballot Wood would make material, not from Lowden, and not much, if any, from Johnson, but from states like New York, which would cast a complimentary ballot for Nicholas Murray Butler, and from Pennsylvania, which would drop Sproul with the deft intention of taking him up later. Michigan and Nebraska would soon leave Johnson, and would go to Wood and Lowden, and on the third or fourth ballot both Wood and Lowden would be submitted to a real test as to whether or not they could respectivel, hold their delegates.

Where Johnson would be on this

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