

COX PLEDGES SELF TO WILSON LEAGUE

President's Promises Assumed by Nominee.

HOUR'S CONFERENCE HELD

Campaign Plans Also Discussed. Each Gives Out Statement on "Splendid Accord."

WASHINGTON, July 18.—(By the Associated Press.)—Mr. Cox announced today that if elected president he "would endeavor with all my strength to give what President Wilson promised to those who sacrificed in the great war."

Franklin D. Roosevelt issued this statement: "I wish that every American could have been a silent witness to the meeting between these two great men. Their splendid accord and their high purpose are an inspiration."

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The party's choice, the president said, "will have the vigorous support of an absolutely united party, and I am confident also of an absolutely united nation."

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President Declared at Best. Governor Cox's statement said: "From every viewpoint the meeting was delightful. The president was at his best, ready to discuss any detail about as bearing upon the international situation and enlightening the whole conference with humorous anecdotes now and then in his old-time characteristic way. We are agreed as to the meaning and sufficiency of the democratic platform and the duty of the party in the face of threatened faith to the world in the name of America."

Conversation Not Detailed. Asked as to the president's health, Governor Cox replied: "In splendid condition; in most agreeable shape."

Governor Cox refused to give any details of his conversation with the president, stating that he regarded such a course improper. Governor Cox said the newspaper would have to draw their own conclusions from the formal statements, adding: "There will be no mistaking my position after my speech of acceptance."

Platform Also Discussed. Crowds lined the White House fences and gates to watch the arrival and departure of the president's visitors and cheered the candidates as their automobile passed. The conference continued so long that Governor Cox was unable to realize his desire to attend church.

2. HELD FOR AUTO THEFT. Car Found Hidden in Bushes Is Charge of Police. Eugene Ibsen, 29, a clerk, and Thomas C. Ward, 19, laborer, face charges of the larceny of an automobile as a result of their arrest late Saturday night by Patrolman Davis at Sixty-second street and Forty-second avenue southeast.

16, appeared Friday night for the theft of an automobile belonging to Harry Leese, 855 East Eighth street. According to the police the trio had the stolen automobile concealed in the bushes at Sixty-second avenue and Sixtieth street southeast. Clarence Ward was arrested Friday night when the three were said to have gone to the place where the machine was concealed for the purpose of taking a joy-ride. The other two made their escape at that time.

Clarence Ward was turned over to the juvenile court following his arrest. The two arrested Saturday night will face charges in the municipal court.

8000 ELKS TO GATHER

NOTABLES OF STATE WILL JOIN HERDS AT SALEM. Full Convention Programme is Completed — Sessions Start Wednesday, Close Saturday.

SALEM, Or., July 18.—(Special.)—Estimates of the committee in charge of arrangements indicate that not less than 8000 visitors will attend the convention of state Elks here this week. Among the prominent men of Oregon who will be here is Senator George E. Chamberlain, Senator C. L. McNary and Representative W. C. Hawley. The program, which was completed last night, follows:

Wednesday Evening, July 21. Formal opening will take place in the Armory, to which members, their families and the public are cordially invited. August Hucksstein, chairman of the convention committee, presiding.

Thursday, July 22. 9:30 A. M.—Band concert on street corner. 10:00 A. M.—State convention, Elks' lodge room, Liberty street.

Friday, July 23. 9:30 A. M.—Band concert on street corner. 10:00 A. M.—State convention, Elks' lodge room.

Saturday, July 24. 9:30 A. M.—Band concert on street corner. 10:00 A. M.—State convention, Elks' lodge room.

Campfire Girls Break Camp. CENTRALIA, Wash., July 18.—(Special.)—Sixteen members of the Tillamook and Sitanka Campfire circles returned to Centralia last night from a week's camping trip on Trimble Island near Seattle. One hundred girls were at the camp from different parts of the state.

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Greater Consumption, Not Smaller Supply, Blamed.

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SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 18.—Increase in consumption, not diminished supply, was given as the cause of the gasoline shortage in a statement issued today by the Standard Oil company of California.

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DODGE BROTHERS BUSINESS CAR. The Business Car can be relied upon always to haul its full capacity at a very low cost. This element of certainty all the year around is one of its strongest appeals to business men. COVEY MOTOR CAR CO. Washington at Twenty-First. Image of a Dodge Business Car.

WALSH SAYS COX IS DRY. Dry Agitation Characterized as Smoke Screen for Republicans. HELENA, Mont., July 18.—Senator T. J. Walsh, it is announced, has addressed to the Anti-Saloon league in this state a letter in reply to statements that Governor Cox, the democratic presidential nominee, is wet.

THIEVES TAKE AWAY SAFE. Truck Used to Haul Away Plunder From Bennington, Vt. Store. BENNINGTON, Vt., July 18.—(Special.)—When Morris Levin, manager for the estate of Levin, mens and women's clothing and furnishings, visited the store this morning, he found that burglars had forced an entrance during the night and carried away a safe weighing a thousand pounds.

A Great, Grand-Piano Bench Sale. Piano Stools, New Ones and Used Ones Included. To facilitate the winding up of the affairs of the Eilers Music House, which at one time comprised a chain of 43 piano stores, we secured an enormous lot of the best made GRAND PIANO BENCHES REVOLVING PIANO STOOLS PLAYER PIANO BENCHES USED PIANO STOOLS

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