

DEMOCRATS VOTE CEASELESSLY IN EFFORT TO NOMINATE PARTY STANDARD-BEARER

All-night Conferences Between Forces of McAdoo, Palmer and Cox and Floor Caucuses of Delegates Fruitless in Effecting Compromise, and Voting Begins With McAdoo in Lead.

AUDITORIUM, SAN FRANCISCO, July 3.—At 2:45 o'clock this morning the democratic national convention was called to order again and Chairman Robinson ordered the call of the states to be resumed for nominations for president.

The chiefs of the McAdoo, Palmer and Cox forces conferred constantly throughout the night and during the early morning almost up to the hour of the meeting of the convention. At 9:40 o'clock, the hour of reconvening, the emptiness of the convention hall reflected the sleeplessness of the night for leaders and delegates, for all were slow in arriving.

There was a conference after conference on the floor as leaders and delegates came in, but apparently were fruitless. There was not a man on the floor who could show any evidence to support his contention of what was going to happen today.

The total of the last ballot of yesterday was: McAdoo, 283; Palmer, 264, and Cox, 123, with no others figuring prominently. The favorite of the air was particularly appropriate for the other fellow. There certainly was a crop of bubbles being blown in the convention for somebody, but nobody was wise enough to forecast whose bubbles were going to be burst today.

Wilson Retains Lead. Before the roll of the states was resumed Chairman Cummings read to the convention a telegram from President Wilson declaring the course the party had taken with respect to the league of nations filled him with confidence of victory.

McAdoo led the gains on the first ballot of the day, but the predicted slide to him failed to materialize. Most of the original voting was fast. The unofficial total for the three leaders was: McAdoo 323 1/2, Cox 177, Palmer 252 1/2.

North Carolina furnished the first break to McAdoo, the delegates swinging from Senator Simmons. The change was expected. On the fourth ballot the lines were holding fast and the opposition to McAdoo was smiling.

Gerard Block Breaks. The Gerard block in South Dakota broke, most of them going to Palmer. On the fourth ballot the solid Nebraska vote for Hitchcock broke, some going to McAdoo and Meredith and Owen. Nevada switched her six from Cox to McAdoo.

The leaders stood unofficially in the fourth ballot, McAdoo 223, Cox 173, Palmer 254. All three of the leaders gained throughout the ballot. Unofficial McAdoo gain was 15 1/2, Palmer 3 1/2, Cox 12.

they have no idea of nominating simply because their leaders were unconvinced at that stage that either of the big three could win and were holding back to get on to a compromise movement should one appear.

On the ninth ballot Cox gained 4 1/2, McAdoo gained six and Palmer lost 2. The changes were inconsequential for purposes of progress toward a nomination and it was noticeable that an undercurrent of conferences were going on among state delegation leaders in the rather nebulous search for somebody on whom to coalesce.

Race Continues Close. On the tenth ballot, McAdoo and Cox were engaged in a tug of war, each making slight gains at the expense of Palmer or the field, but neither making any accession pointing to "the break" which would nominate him. The results of the tenth showed not a change of a vote for Palmer, while Cox lost a half vote and McAdoo won a full vote.

McAdoo had retrieved his slight loss and Cox continued to sustain his record and McAdoo a steady gain on every ballot since the voting began. The figures for the leaders on the tenth were as follows: McAdoo 285, Cox 221, Palmer 257.

The two-thirds vote necessary to nominate was the greatest factor blocking an agreement and many of the delegates declared that while "it would always prevent the nomination of a candidate in a hotel room at 10 o'clock in the morning," it certainly made it difficult to get a deadlocked convention together on a candidate. While the convention dragged between the 11th and 12th votes, a big bunch of toy balloons, which had been brought into the hall to celebrate somebody's victory, were bursting all over the hall as the crowd batted them about.

Cox Passes McAdoo. On the 12th ballot today, Cox passed the 400 mark and McAdoo, for the first time and touched 404 votes. McAdoo on that ballot had 375 1/2 and therefore a veto power under the two-thirds rule of the convention.

The ruling of the chair was that the unit rule stood and Cox got the 26 votes. On the 12th ballot the leaders stood: Cox 404, McAdoo 375 1/2, and Palmer 261.

These figures gave Cox a gain of 72. McAdoo lost 4 1/2 and Palmer lost 44. In the midst of the 12th ballot, the convention went into a great demonstration for Cox occasioned by the breaking of the solid Illinois block of delegates which threw 20 votes to the Ohio governor. Following the accession made to the Cox standards from Indiana and New York, the change in the voting was the signal for an uproar, in which state standards were brought into a parade around the hall with the usual number of scurrilous in which the Arkansas standard was demolished.

Further Breaks Reported. The break in Illinois on the 12th ballot gave Cox 30 more votes to his string. The Cox people in the convention made a great demonstration. All the votes were taken from Palmer and 14 were retained for McAdoo. Further breaks in the solid delegations were reported imminent. The state delegations' standards which previously have carried votes to the were raised in the demonstration which the casting of the block of votes from Illinois occasioned and the parade for Cox started around the hall led by Ohio and followed by New Jersey, Illinois, Mississippi, Maryland, Indiana, Florida, Kentucky and other states, which had been casting Cox votes. Rhode Island also fell in.

thirteenth ballot Cox, McAdoo and Palmer stood as follows: Cox, 428 1/2; McAdoo, 383 1/2; Palmer, 193 1/2. Despite the gain of Cox, there seemed a prospect of enough of a break to nominate anybody when the convention went into the fourteenth ballot.

All the way up to and through the fourteenth ballot Virginia stuck to Glass and West Virginia stuck to Davis. It was said the Virginia votes could not be wholly turned to McAdoo and West Virginia was sticking for Davis on the hope that probably he might be the dark horse.

Standings on the fourteenth ballot were: McAdoo, 329 1/2; Cox, 443 1/2; Palmer, 182. The convention took 14 ballots in a little less than six actual hours' time and failed up to that time to find a nominee or give any one of the three principal contenders a majority.

Cox, making steady gains from a small beginning, made steady accessions until he first displaced McAdoo as the leader and then next he reduced McAdoo's vote so that the president's son-in-law finally had less than the one-third veto power he had held at his high-water mark during the first 12 ballots.

Enthusiastic over their prospects for nominating the governor of Ohio, the Cox people held a prolonged demonstration. The Cox accessions had been made steadily from some of the large states and also from scattered delegations. While the demonstrations were going on the leaders conferred. It was reported that the New York delegation that Franklin Roosevelt was being brought out as a vice-presidential possibility.

Palmer Group Approached. On the 15th ballot Palmer lost 15. McAdoo lost 11 and Cox gained 25. Just before the 16th ballot started, Thomas B. Love of Texas, one of the McAdoo managers, approached the Palmer people asking a conference to talk over some means of stemming the Cox side and preventing his nomination. Love asked Vance McCormick of the Pennsylvania delegation and Representative Carlin, one of the Palmer managers, to go into the conference.

The Palmer people meanwhile were talking over plans to attempt to obtain an adjournment until 8:30 o'clock tonight. There was no indication of whether others would agree to it. The probabilities were that it would not go through.

Dark Horse Talk Revives. South Carolina continued to stick for McAdoo through the 14th despite persistent reports of a breakthrough. The platform officials joined in the conference to get an adjournment. The convention was getting tired and hungry. Senator Glass, one of the administration leaders, talking to friends, said: "It can't go to Cox."

Glass was asked what would be the case if Cox got a majority. "I'd be glad to see it," he replied. "I'd be glad to see it," he replied. "I'd be glad to see it," he replied. "I'd be glad to see it," he replied.

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Palmer threw all the leaders off their feet. Plainly they were at a loss to know what move to make next. After the 16th ballot the convention adjourned for lunch and convened again at 2:17 P. M.

On the 17th ballot Colorado threw one to Cummings and two to Glass, bringing them back into the balloting. Palmer and McAdoo stood the losers. It looked as if the Palmer people were calling back "borrowed" delegates.

Cox lost one in Illinois; Palmer lost one, which went to Davis. McAdoo strength there stood. Indiana stayed with Cox. So did Iowa. Kansas stuck with McAdoo and Kentucky remained unchanged, with 23 to Cox and 2 to McAdoo.

Louisiana flipped to Cox with her whole 20 votes, giving him a gain of five. The Cox people set up a new uproar. Cox lost one to Palmer in Massachusetts and Owen got one which had been scattered.

Cox took one from Palmer in Michigan. Minnesota stood unchanged. Cox lost four and a half in Missouri, which went to Palmer. Montana swung for McAdoo.

Montana's whole vote of eight went to McAdoo, taking four from Cox. McAdoo lost two in Nebraska to Cox. McAdoo lost one in New Hampshire to Palmer. McAdoo lost one in New York and Cox took it.

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where Palmer gained two, taking them from McAdoo. McAdoo gained two in Delaware, taking one of them from Cox. In Massachusetts Cox lost three to Palmer. Palmer lost one in Missouri and

vote, which had been sold for Cummings, gave him only four, while six went to Cox and four to Palmer. Indiana, which had been holding for Cox, passed. Cox lost two in Kentucky to Davis. McAdoo got one of Louisiana's 20. (Continued on Page 15, Column 2)

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