

WILL LIMIT INJUNCTIONS

Republican Platform Take Firm Stand

THE PLANK IN DETAIL

Make a Hard Fight in Committee Against Any Change in Present Laws

WILL PLEASE UNION LABOR

Both President Roosevelt and Mr. Taft Strongly Urged a Change in Injunction Laws Along Conservative Lines.

CHICAGO, June 18.—The court procedure plank as adopted by the committee on resolutions is as follows:

"The Republican Party will uphold at all times the authority and integrity of the courts, state and federal and will ever insist that their powers to enforce their process and to protect life, liberty and property shall be preserved inviolate. We believe, however, that the rule of procedure in the federal courts with respect to the issuance of the writ of injunction should be more accurately defined by statute, and that no injunction or temporary restraining order should be issued without notice, except when irreparable injury would result from delay in which case a speedy hearing thereafter should be granted."

The meeting of the full committee on resolutions was held in the "Francis First" room of the Auditorium Hotel Annex at Michigan Avenue and Congress Street and began at 10 o'clock last night. It was supposed

to be strictly "exclusive" and secret and the bulk of the discussion was carried on in comparatively low tones inaudible a few feet beyond the outside of the group of committeemen, but when the much discussed plank relating to the limitation of court injunction orders especially in labor controversies, were reported, the intensity of feeling which has marked all debates on this subject since the convention began was evidenced in raised voices and eager attention and attempts at secrecy were forgotten. At the same time the debate never reached the point of personal heat or exchange of invectives.

The injunction plank was reached in the full committee a full minute after one a. m. with Committeeman McCarter of New Jersey opening the fight against adoption. Mr. McCarter whose resonant tones filled the hall declared that such a plank would be a reflection upon the integrity of the court and was entirely unnecessary. He asked those in favor of it to show a single instance where the power of injunction had been abused by any court, and emphasized his remarks by denunciation of the democrats and the labor people. Mr. McCarter's remarks occupied nearly 15 minutes and during that time the committee sat apparently unmoved and there was no response in the way of applause or audible dissent as he concluded, Senator Long of Kansas then took up the cudgel in behalf of the plank submitted by the sub-committee. He also was very emphatic in his remarks. He said the wording of the plank, while not so radical as was proposed by Mr. Gompers and several of the labor leaders, was nevertheless not a dodge or straddle, but a step forward by the Republican party. He declared that an issue confronted the party and there would be universal criticism if something was not done. He agreed that while the issuance of injunctions by the courts was as a rule in strict consonance with the laws as they appear on the statute books, the plank proposed by the committee would serve to make the general practice regular.

Representative Payne of New York who is chairman on the ways and means, was strongly in favor of the proposed plank. He said the party was about to nominate a man who believed in such a measure and that he declared himself in his speech of the last two years and especially in his recent one in Cooper Union New York as strongly in favor of such

action by congress, Mr. Payne dwelt at considerable length on the attitude of Mr. Taft in this connection and said that while he himself had been pledged to vote for Gov Hughes for the presidential nomination he had no doubt the Ohio candidate would be the choice. He believed the adoption of this plank in the republican platform would insure Mr. Taft's election.

F. B. Kellogg of Minnesota followed with an equally spirited and vehement speech in support of the plank. Wade H. Ellis of Ohio surprised his hearers by quoting a telegram from President Roosevelt and a letter and a telegram from Mr. Taft. The president called attention to a telegram sent on the previous day on the support of the injunction plank and I hope very much" the telegram continued that it will be adopted. The president said he stood for a square deal and was not in accord with the extremists of the manufacturers on the one hand or of the trade unionists on the other hand."

Mr. Taft's telegram reviewed that fact that his opinion on this question was publicly announced two years ago before he became a candidate. He favored a plank which would make impossible the radical use of the injunction but would continue its conservative benefits. The plank was supported also by D. Lawrence Groner of Virginia, H. L. Rimmel of Arkansas and H. C. Burson of New Mexico.

Mr. McCarter of New Jersey, Wm. A. Drake, of Colorado, B. F. O'Neil of Idaho and Allen M. Fletcher of Vermont spoke in opposition to the plank.

Mr. Carter and several others opposed to the measure, replied briefly but shortly before 2 a. m. it became evident that the patience of all hands was becoming exhausted and when the proposition to bring the business to a vote was made it received unanimous support. Everybody was tired out.

The method of taking the vote occasioned a brief discussion, some of the members of the committee desiring a simple division without record of individual votes. This was met with cries of "no, no, roll call, roll call," and one committeeman said: "There is no harm in going on record on this question, for the vote will never be made public."

All hands seemed to take this comfortable assurance for granted, and the roll call by states was begun.

The actual test vote was taken on a motion by Mr. McCarter to eliminate the references to the courts from the text of the plank.

Owing to the confusion of excited conversation, shuffling chairs and weary committeemen, stretching into comfortable attitudes after the long session, the first vote, that of J. H. Montgomery of Alabama, was not heard. The chairman, Senator Hopkins, of Illinois, rapped loudly for order but still there was continued confusion especially as some were in doubt as to the precise question upon the committee was to vote.

Mr. Hopkins explained the situation and the clerk again began the roll call. Mr. Montgomery of Alabama voted "No." He was followed by H. M. Rimmel of Arkansas, also in the negative, but Henry A. Melvin of California and Wm. A. Drake of Colorado voted "Yes." Then came Connecticut, Delaware, Florida and Georgia in the negative and from that time on the opponents to the amendment gained steadily until at the end the vote stood 35 to 16.

This roll call settled the question of the injunction plank in the platform and without further division the report of the sub-committee was adopted.

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Secretary Garfield was the guest of honor last night at a banquet given by the Sons of the Revolution and responded to the toast "The President".

A public reception attended by thousands has been given the officers of the battleships Maine and Alabama.

There will be an excursion to-day to the volcano Kilauea, which is now active.

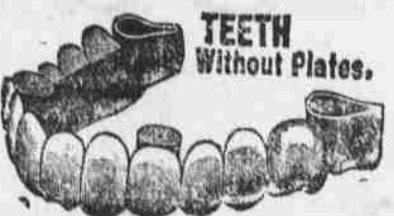
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