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70TH BALLOT SEES NO END TO DEADLOCK

Convention Adjourns after Two Fourth of July Sessions Without Reaching Any Agreement

McADOO CLIMBS TO 530; LACKS 20 OF MAJORITY

California Needs 202 to Nominate; Compromise Only Solution

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, July 4.—In a renewed drive late tonight to reach a majority in the democratic national convention William G. McAdoo ran his total to 530 votes, just 20 below the halfway mark and 202 below the necessary number for a nomination.

The total of the 69th ballot was 24 1/2 greater than had ever been cast for him before; the previous high mark having been 505 1/2 on the 40th ballot. Encouraged by this showing, the field forces of the former treasury secretary were busy seeking to add to their forces.

Announcement of the 530 votes for the Californian was greeted with cheers from his followers and was made the occasion for another demonstration and march around the convention hall. Chairman Walsh finally halted it by the vigorous use of his gavel.

When the tally clerk announced that Governor Smith had received 235 on this ballot—3 1/2 below his maximum—the signal was given for a Smith demonstration, in which the galleries joined with continued cheers and roars.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, July 4.—Two fourth of July sessions of the democratic convention failed to produce a nominee for the presidency and tonight, at the end of 70 ballots, the party leaders began seriously to consider the administration of heroic measures to break the deadlock.

During the day two favorite sons had been eliminated. McAdoo had reached a new high record within 20 votes of a majority of the convention; Smith had again touched his high water mark, and the series of maneuvers on the convention floor had re-kindled the animosities of the warring groups and apparently made a compromise more difficult.

The floor skirmishing was started by the Smith forces who first proposed in formal resolution that all the candidates be invited to address the delegates in executive session before there was a further ballot. The proposal failed of the two-thirds required for adoption, with the McAdoo forces voting against it, and later a proposal to invite Governor Smith alone to speak from the convention platform was similarly rejected.

The leaders of the groups which are outside both the McAdoo and Smith camps believed they might succeed tomorrow in convincing the managers for both candidates that further balloting would be futile, and that the present lineup and that the only hope of a decision was an agreement upon a compromise nomination.

Efforts were being made after tonight's adjournment to bring some of the principal supporters of the two leading contenders together in a conference with a definite plan for compromise, under consideration. Various compromise candidates were to be put forward in the conference should it first be found possible to convince the conferees that neither McAdoo nor Smith can be nominated.

A second and entirely different plan to break the deadlock and release the convention embarrassment was under consideration in

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THE WEATHER

OREGON: Fair without change in temperature Saturday; moderate winds mostly west by northwest.

LOCAL WEATHER (Friday)

Maximum temperature, 89
Minimum temperature, 64
River, 1.4 stationary
Rainfall, none
Atmosphere, clear
Wind, north

MANY FIRES CALL DEPARTMENT OUT INDEPENDENCE DAY

The Fourth of July was a day of more than the usual number of fires in Salem, most of them due to firecrackers or other celebration activities. Besides the fire that damaged the F. Newberry home, and the roof fire at the Fred Gahdsdorf home, 985 North Church street, there was another residence fire that threatened to become serious, but that did little damage. This was at the J. T. Hart home, 1467 Market street. The fire was mainly under the house.

A grass fire at 1736 Front street called out the department at 9:10 last night, and another grass fire at Fifteenth and Mill brought out the fire trucks a few minutes later, at 9:30. Five minutes later, at 9:35 an awning fire at the Salem Electric company's place of business called the department out for the sixth time during the day.

COOLIDGE FOR SCHOOL DEPT

Federal Secretary of Education Favored by President Before N. E. A.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Nearly 15,000 American teachers and educators stood and cheered here today when President Coolidge in an address voiced his approval of a pending bill to create a federal department of education presided over by a cabinet member. The speech closed a seven-day convention of the National Education association.

The education plan desired by the teachers, embodied in the Sterling-Reed bill before congress, has his endorsement, the president said, "bearing in mind that this does not mean any interference with the local control and dignity, but is rather an attempt to recognize the importance of educational effort."

Termining ignorance "the most fruitful source of poverty, vice and crime," the president pointed out to the teachers that there are in this country three million native born illiterates, as well as 14,000,000 foreign born illiterate white persons, who must be given an opportunity to read and write the English language, "that they may come into more direct contact with the ideal and standards of our political and social life."

He asserted that "our institutions are constantly and very properly the subject of critical inquiry unless their origin is understood, unless their value be properly assessed, the citizen falls prey to those selfish agitators who would exploit his prejudices to promote their own advantage."

AGENTS SEARCH FOR WRITER OF DEMAND

Men Who Asked \$50,000 From Senator McCormick Is Sought in Illinois

BYRON, Ill., July 4.—Officers and private detectives are searching for two men suspected of having written a letter to United States Senator Medill McCormick and his wife, demanding \$50,000 be placed under a culvert three miles north of the McCormick farm home near Byron. The letter did not threaten any one or mention the kidnapping of any member of the senator's family.

After the letter was received last Thursday, just after Senator McCormick had departed for Europe, private detectives were employed to trace the writers of the epistle. A decoy package was placed under the culvert designated in the letter and two men, who later passed under the culvert and picked up the package were taken into custody by the detectives but later were released.

Reports of the tracing of the decoy package leaked out and a report was circulated that Mrs. McCormick had received a letter demanding money on the threat that her son, John, 3 years old, would be kidnapped unless the funds were placed under the culvert.

BOURBONS ARE IN SEARCH OF SOME REMEDY

Resolutions Drafted to Break Deadlock Meet Up With Little Favor From Partisan Leaders

COX AND RALSTON HELP BY WITHDRAWING NAMES

Faint Hope Held That Other Favorite Sons Will Drop From the Race

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, July 4.—Groping for some way to end the deadlock, the democratic national convention re-assembled for its night session with a variety of remedies in prospect for consideration.

Resolutions proposing to break the unit rule, to abolish the two-thirds rule and to drop off the low man on each ballot, were in the pockets of leaders, waiting to be sprung if they could be agreed upon by a few sponsors. With Ralston and Cox—two of the favorite sons out of the way—there was a faint hope that the remainder of the favorite sons might be induced to withdraw and permit the strength of the convention to divide definitely between Smith and McAdoo, so that those two could fight it out.

As the delegates assembled for the night session the band appropriately played "It May Be for Years and It May Be Forever."

The session came to order nearly on time and prayer was offered by the Rev. Paul F. Landis, minister of the John Hall Memorial of New York.

The first business of the session was the calling of the roll of states for the 67th ballot.

Chairman Walsh then had read a communication from W. G. McAdoo. It was read by unanimous consent.

"The convention today voted quite properly against a proposal to invite all candidates to address it," the letter said. "Subsequently, a proposal to invite the governor of New York to address it, was rejected by a vote of the convention."

Mr. McAdoo wrote he was sure the action was taken because of the disposition to conclude the business. But he concluded with a suggestion to his friends in the convention that they invite Governor Smith to make an address.

Gavin McNab then, on behalf of the California delegation, asked that the vote by which the convention refused to invite Governor Smith be reconsidered. He proposed a unanimous consent that Governor Smith be invited to speak at 10 o'clock.

Meanwhile Michael Igoe of Chicago, a Smith delegate, was recognized after much shouting and distress. Meanwhile Chairman Walsh was walloping the celebrated light-headed gavel so vigorously that the head of it flew off again and this time it bounced on the head of a man standing immediately below the speaker's

ALLOTMENTS FOR RIVERS ARE MADE

Oregon, Washington and Given Shares of Improvement Funds

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 4.—Allotments for river and harbor improvements under the act of congress approved June 7, announced today by the war department for the fiscal year include:

- In Oregon: Coos Bay \$665,000; Coos River \$3000; Yaquina Bay and Harbor \$21,000 Clatskanie River \$6500; Willamette River above Portland and Yamhill River \$18,900; Columbia River and tributaries above Celilo Falls to the mouth of the Snake River, in Oregon and Washington \$4000; Columbia and lower Willamette River below Vancouver, Wash., and Portland \$37,000.

In Oregon, Washington and Idaho:

- Snake River \$10,000.
- In Washington: Skamokawa Creek \$1800; Grays Harbor and Bar entrance \$81,000; Grays Harbor between Aberdeen and Chenamus River \$41,000; Seattle harbor \$25,000.

AUTO PLUNGES OFF PRECIPICE CARRYING BABY

Portland Couple Run Vainly After Car as it Goes Over Edge of Cliff

BEND, Ore., July 4.—Running vainly to check the progress of an automobile carrying Wanda May, their 3-year old daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas King of Portland, saw their automobile plunge over the brink of Crooked River canyon this morning, bearing the baby to her death. Mr. and Mrs. Max Fleming also of Portland, were of the party, and Fleming got his hands on the car just as it toppled over the edge of the precipice.

The Kings and Flemings had stopped to admire the grandeur of the canyon. Wishing to enjoy the view they stepped from the automobile and made their way to the edge of the precipice, leaving the baby in the front seat.

COOLIDGE'S SON IS SERIOUSLY ILL

Calvin Jr. in an Alarming Condition Due to Acute Septic Poisoning

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Serious illness again entered the White House today when Calvin Coolidge Jr., younger son of President and Mrs. Coolidge, developed an acute case of septic poisoning.

The boy, who is 16 years of age, became ill yesterday and late last night his condition became alarming. Five physicians were called in and it was determined that poisoning resulted from a broken blister on the right foot, brought out during a tennis match, had spread throughout his system. Another consultation late today was followed by the announcement that the condition, previously described "as serious," was unchangeable.

Mrs. Coolidge is in constant attendance at the bedside, while the president, after keeping a speaking engagement this morning, before the National Educational association, remained in the White House the rest of the day.

The blister on the foot developed during a tennis match young Calvin played last Monday with his brother John, 18 years of age. Yesterday he complained of intense pain in the body. Physicians were summoned and the serious nature of the illness was then learned. There is little which can be done at this stage, it was said, with the problem largely up to the endurance and strength of the youth.

His faith is in his favor, but he has grown very fast during the last year. Likewise he is of slight build.

The illness caused a gloom to descend upon the White House on this, the 52nd birthday of the president.

Gleanings from Day's News

Boy Is Struck By Propeller

Circus Monkey Attacks Boy

ROCKWAY, Ore., July 4.—Junior Schutte, son of E. W. Schutte of Portland, was injured, probably fatally here today when he was struck by the propeller of an airplane which had just landed on the beach after taking passengers aloft. The lad was one of a crowd of onlookers gathered on the beach and according to spectators ran in front of the seaplane and was drawn against the propeller by the air suction.

Following the accident the pilot took the injured boy and his father to Tillamook by plane for medical treatment.

Boy Dazed by Monkey

BEND, Ore., July 4.—Jack Davis, nine year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank May of this city was attacked by a monkey, kept at one of the side shows at the Fourth of July celebration grounds here early today. The boy was badly bitten about both legs and was almost crazed from fright by the time he had torn himself loose from the animal.

Sailor Arrested For Shooting

DELEGATE HIT BY HEAD FROM WALSH'S GAVEL

Herman Schoenstain of New York Suffers Concussion of the Brain

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, N. Y., July 4.—Herman Schoenstain of New York, suffered concussion of the brain tonight when he was struck on the head by Chairman Walsh's gavel as it flew off the handle and bounced into the delegate space.

Schoenstain, taken to the convention hospital after the accident was unconscious for five minutes.

The head of the chairman's gavel has been flying off at least once a day. Heretofore it had missed any human mark.

FIRE DOES DAMAGE TO KAY PROPERTY

House Near Fourteenth and Chemeketa Partially Destroyed Friday

Fire, supposedly started from a fire cracker, did several hundreds of dollars worth of damage to the residence property owned by Mrs. T. B. Kay and occupied by F. Newberry near Chemeketa and Fourteenth about 11:30 o'clock Friday morning. The loss is covered by insurance, while the property is valued around \$4000.

Neighbors first saw the fire, which broke through the roof in the vicinity of the chimney. It was at first thought that a fire in the stove had caused the conflagration, but Mr. Newberry had moved a majority of his household effects from the place the day before and stated that there had not been a fire in the stove all day. Because of this, the theory was advanced that the blaze originated with a firecracker, though how it got on the roof in the first place is not known.

A "dead" hydrant at the corner of Chemeketa and Fourteenth delayed the fire department until a fire pump hose could be lowered to the creek, a short distance from the corner.

About 10 minutes after the department checked in at the station returning from this call, they responded to an alarm from 985 North Church, where they extinguished a roof fire before much damage had been done.

COOLIDGE'S BIRTHDAY

WASHINGTON, July 4.—(By Associated Press.)—President Coolidge celebrated a double birthday Friday—his 52d and the Nation's 48th.

Farmer-Labor Forces Meet

SEATTLE, July 4.—Washington farmer-labor forces, under the leadership of James A. Duncan of Seattle, will open their state convention here tomorrow morning. Credentials have been received from about 150 delegates.

Cody Statue Unveiled

METHODISM IS UNITED AGAIN BY AGREEMENT

Southern Branch Late Yesterday Voted Overwhelmingly to Accept Joint Unification Plan

GENERAL CONFERENCES TO RATIFY IN 1925

Formal Acceptance and Actual Union to Be Made; 7,000,000 Affected

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., July 4.—(By the Associated Press.)—Southern Methodists late today, in special conference here, voted overwhelmingly to accept the proposed plan for unification with the Methodist Episcopal church devised by a joint committee of the two organizations and adopted by the northern general conference recently in Springfield, Mass. Opponents, most of them in favor of unification but not under the particular plan recommended, could muster only 75 votes against adoption while the unificationists polled a total of 297. A two thirds majority was necessary for acceptance and it had been cast when the secretary still had nearly 100 delegates to poll.

The plan of organized union has yet to run the gauntlet of the annual conferences of the two churches, the northern conference voting in 1925 while the southern conferences were requested in a resolution adopted today to act during the same year. In the north two thirds of all the members voting in the annual conferences must ratify the proposed union while in the south the required majority is three fourths.

With ratification by the annual conferences, the college of bishops of each church would meet jointly and notify their respective general conferences that the union had been effected. The general conferences then will be called to meet in joint session to put unification into effect. The southern general conference meets in regular session in May, 1926, at a place as yet undetermined. Since the northern conference does not meet again until 1928 a special session will be called, probably in May, 1926, to be held jointly with the southern conference.

Should the merger finally become effective it would unite into one body approximately seven million Methodists in the country and heal a breach that has existed since the separation in 1844.

It was 80 years ago this month, 16 years before the outbreak of the war between the states, that the church divided on the question of the powers of the general conference, according to Bishop Horace M. Duboz of the southern church.

Bishop James O. Andrew of Georgia has married a Georgian who was a slave owner. Under the laws of Georgia the slaves of his wife became legally his own. (Continued on page 4.)

RALSTON LEAVES CONVENTION RACE

Indianan Drops Out to Help Break Deadlock in Spite of Taggart's Wish

NEW YORK, July 4.—Against the wishes of Thomas Taggart and the entire Indiana delegation Senator Ralston today eliminated himself from the Democratic presidential nomination contest.

After repeated pleas from the senator by telephone and telegraph to withdraw his name for the sake of party harmony, Taggart called the Hoosier delegation together and they agreed to accede to their candidate's wishes.

Tonight, however, some of them persist Ralston is not entirely out of the running.

FIGHTING BOB TO ENTER RACE



SENATOR LA FOLLETTE

Senator Robert M. La Follette yesterday signified to the convention for Progressive Political action meeting at Cleveland that he intended to enter the race for the presidency of the United States as an independent candidate. He opposed the formation of a third party at the present time.

GUNS STOLEN FROM STORE

Loot Points to Two Escaped Convicts; Stolen Auto Recovered

Belief that Bobby Burns and W. A. Anderson, two of the three convicts who escaped from the penitentiary Thursday night were responsible for the burglary of the Hauser Brothers sporting goods store the same night, was expressed yesterday by local officials. Two guns, two flashlights, a safety razor and two packs, with a quantity of ammunition, were stolen from the store it was discovered Friday morning. About \$8 in cash was also stolen, while papers from two special boxes were found strewn over the floor of the store. Several dollars worth of stamps were not molested. The Chevrolet automobile stolen from Ford Boyd was found abandoned two miles south of Junction City Friday noon.

The store was entered by means of a crowbar forged from an automobile axle. The rear entrance to the store, opening into the alley, was the point of entrance. Here a padlock on the heavy wooden door was smashed and after prying off another padlock on an iron barred door leading to the basement, the men were able to enter the building. From the loot selected, it is almost certain that two men participated in the burglary and from the nature of

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LA FOLLETTE PLANS A QUIET CAMPAIGN

Alone in Washington Wisconsin Senator Directs Moves; to Use Radio

WASHINGTON, July 4.—Senator La Follette spent today at home and almost alone while the Cleveland convention which is expected to put him in nomination was in session. He was active, however, by long distance telephone communication once or twice with his representatives at Cleveland to correct a point or two of the message in which he declared his willingness to run, and by radio, keeping in touch with the proceedings of the democratic convention at New York.

Informed by the Associated Press of developments at Cleveland, Senator La Follette withheld all comment. His adherents and supporters were all in that city and it was said that his political fortunes would be left in their hands. As to the vice presidential candidate to run with him and all other matters, the senator was said to have no word.

Only his secretary and his wife were with him and the seclusion to which he has clung in recent months was maintained unbroken, and would be, his advisers said, even after the nomination at Cleveland.

L'FOLLETTE IS TO MAKE RACE FREE OF PARTY

Wisconsin Senator Sends Message to Progressives Indicating Intention to Run for President

OPPOSES FORMATION OF NEW THIRD PARTY

Convention to Fight Over Question of Another Complete Organization

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 4.—Senator Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin formally announced today that he would be an independent candidate for president.

He disclosed this intention and opposition to immediate formation of a new party in a message to the conference for Pittsburgh political action, in session here. Immediately after the senator's statement had been read to the convention by his son, Robert M. La Follette, Jr., a motion was offered by Herman Willis, a vice-president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, to endorse the candidacy. With delegates yelling "let's go," opposition to this procedure developed from socialist sources.

Morris Hillquit, New York, begged the convention not to act until it had fully organized. Amid confusion, Judge Jacob Panken of the New York municipal court, made a point of order that until the convention was organized it could not act. This was upheld by Wm. Johnston, chairman of the gathering, and the attempt to rush through the La Follette endorsement was dropped.

Friends of La Follette were convinced by the demonstrations that accompanied mention of his name through the day, that approval of his candidacy would be given tomorrow before adjournment.

Challengers of today's attempted procedure let it be known that their object was not to keep the convention from endorsing La Follette, but to give opportunity for them to present their contention that the time is ripe for formation of a new party. This question will be threshed out on the floor tomorrow.

While it was known that La Follette had a communication to the convention, in response to the conference's national committee request for a statement as to his plans and views, its petition today came as a surprise. For hours the delegates had listened to oratory by the chairman and some invited guests and delegates. Committees had been appointed and the gathering was marking time while they were trying to get going. The credentials committee, which had been at its task for more than two days, finally came in and offered a partial report.

The delegates were getting ready for an early adjournment until tomorrow. Suddenly Chairman Johnston interrupted the reading of the names of accredited delegates.

"Senator La Follette has sent a message to the convention," he announced, explaining it would be read by the senator's son, whom he introduced as "a chip off the old block." In a ringing voice and with pugnacious gestures which emphasized the chief points of his father's statement, young La Follette soon had the delegates standing and cheering. A demonstration in which there was some parading along the aisles, was precipitated by the following pronouncement of Senator La Follette: "I am ready to enlist with you to wage unceasing warfare until the American people have been restored to the full enjoyment of their political and economic rights."

The message was a lengthy exposition of the senator's views on domestic and international political issues. After a bitter arraignment of both the old parties, which he declared could not be trusted to carry out their promises, it said:

"I shall submit my name as an independent progressive candidate for president, together with the names of fully qualified candidates for electors, for filling of the ballots in every state in the union. My appeal will be addressed to every class of the people and to every section of the country."

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