

## TAFT VOTES SEATING ALL CONTESTANTS

### IDAHO AND WISCONSIN VOTE TO SEAT TAFT DELEGATES MAKING STEAM ROLLER'S STRENGTH 605

Efforts to Bar Contestants From Voting Defeated by Vote of 569 to 498—Credentials Committee Slow on Reporting and Work of Convention Delayed—All Decisions So Far in Favor of Taft Men and Work of National Committee Sustained—Two Roll Calls Forced on Alabama Case.

Roosevelt Forces Confer as to Whether They Will Put Into Effect Non-Participating Program Adopted—Ranks of Steam Roller Hold Firm—No Desertions But Several Recruits.

COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 21.—Conclusive proof that the Taft followers have the votes to seat all of their contested delegates in the republican national convention was furnished today when 605 delegates voted to seat the Taft delegates in the ninth Alabama district, Idaho and Wisconsin voting to seat the delegates. This was the first district that Colonel Roosevelt declared was stolen from him and the unusually high vote greatly pleased the Taft men. The minority reports for Arkansas and Arizona were also tabled, and the majority reports adopted.

After the vote in the Alabama case was announced the leaders of the Roosevelt forces held a conference to determine whether it would put into effect the non-participating program adopted by the Roosevelt forces. The settlement of the Alabama case came after wearisome parliamentary maneuvering in which two rollcalls were forced.

#### Sure of Taft Nomination

The Taft machine held throughout. The second case on which the issues were joined was the Arizona. Every effort is being made by the convention leaders to force the cases through so that adjournment may be reached if possible by tomorrow night.

Most of the conservative leaders today declared that they felt certain that President Taft would be the nominee of the convention.

William Barnes, junior, the New York leader whose loyalty to the president of the United States had been questioned, said at 2:45:

"I am satisfied Mr. Taft will be nominated. New York is now satisfied as it was generally accepted that if New York landed the nomination for the president it would demand that Vice President Sherman also be renominated, although John Hays Hammond and John Wanamaker are being considered by the delegates."

#### Hadley's Motion Tabled

The convention laid on the table the motion of Governor Hadley of Missouri that the 72 Taft delegates whose seats have been contested be not permitted to vote on any question connected with the convention organization until their right to sit as delegates had been passed upon by the convention.

The vote was as follows: Ayes 569; noes 499; not voting 50.

COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 21.—It was 12:30 p. m. when Temporary Chairman Root called the convention to order and introduced as the chairman of the day the Rev. John Baleom Shaw. Root announced that the next order was the report of the committee on credentials, and W. T. Doyall of Washington handed up the report. It recommends that Taft delegates and alternates be seated from the ninth Alabama district. In the report the majority members stated that they had fully heard both sides and found that the election of the Taft delegates was regular. The report, in effect, charges that the Roosevelt people tried to pack the district convention and declared that a resolution under which the Roosevelt men acted in naming committeemen to get control was either never passed at a regular committee meeting or if originally passed, was later changed to benefit the Roosevelt men. The minority report was submitted by Delegate McCormick, of the Illinois delegation.

#### Taft Meeting Regular

Governor Hadley of Missouri moved the substitution of the minority report for the majority and asked that

McCormick be given unanimous consent to read a brief dealing with the question. A Virginia delegate moved to lay the Hadley motion and the minority report on the table.

McCormick's statement found that the Taft convention in the ninth Alabama district was irregular and a holding one and that the Roosevelt delegates were the only legal delegates elected in that district.

1:18 p. m. Ex-Representative Watson moved to table the Hadley resolution. A roll call was ordered. Before the result in the Alabama delegation, the first on the list could be announced, Henev got recognition to demand whether the 72 delegates whose seats were in question were to be permitted to vote. Root declared that only the sitting members of the ninth Alabama district would be barred from voting, but that all others on the temporary roll could vote. The roll then proceeded.

#### Taftites Cheer Wildly

When the vote of Washington state was reached and the required majority of 540 had been passed, the Taft men cheered wildly.

The Hadley motion was finally tabled by a vote of 569 ayes and 499 noes, not voting 10. No material there was renewed cheering when

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### HENEV LEADER, WARM DEBATE OVER CALIFORNIA

COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 21.—By a vote of 542 to 529, not voting 8; the republican national convention this afternoon seated the Taft delegates from the Fourth California district.

COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 21.—When the committee report from the fourth California district was called Francis J. Henev stepped on the platform behind Governor Hadley. This report seated the Taft delegates in that district on technical grounds, it being claimed by the majority of the credentials committee that the Taft men carried the district, but under the state primary law were refused credentials because they did not carry the state at large. The majority of the committee insisted that the California was at variance with the representation rule of the national committee and announced that the Taft delegates had refused to sign any agreement to abide by the statewide decision.

#### Overthrow of the People

"A state law cannot supersede the call of the national committee," read the report, and this announcement was received with boos and jeers. Halbert of Minnesota presented the minority report, which scored the majority. Its action was characterized as "a tyrannical overthrow of the will of the people of California."

Cheers by the Roosevelt forces greeted this statement.

The minority report held that the majority violated the tenets of fair play in seating the Taft men in the face of a 77,000 adverse majority.

Smiling viciously Henev stepped to the front of the platform. As he did so someone shouted "Grandstander!"

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### PLANNING FOR PROGRESSIVE CONVENTION

Big Non-Partisan Gathering Scheduled for August at Which National Organization Can Be Perfected by Members of Both Old Parties

Want Woodrow Wilson for Vice President—Human Rights Versus Special Privilege to Be Issue.

CHICAGO, June 21.—As illustrating the completeness of the break between the new party and the regular party plans are being worked out today by the Roosevelt managers looking to a big non-partisan progressive mass convention to be held early in August at which a nation-wide organization can be perfected and a ticket named. Unless some action of the republican convention now in session calls for early action by the progressives this plan will be carried out.

#### Wilson for Vice President

Woodrow Wilson is the man already talked of as running mate for Roosevelt—assuming that Roosevelt will be the candidate if the new party—in the event that Wilson is not named at Baltimore. William J. Bryan is also prominently mentioned. It is pointed out by George L. Record of New Jersey, who is strong for this program, that Roosevelt and Wilson are really radicals of equal degree, and belong in the same party, and that Taft and Harmon are in fact representatives of the same interests.

The time for the new alignment, it is said, has come, and the mass convention will be the next big step after the bolt from the old line republican organization has been worked out.

#### Time for Shake-Up

"It is time to shake Penrose, Crane and Root," said Record. "They should herd themselves in a party which openly stands for special privilege and the perversion of the courts. We who stand for human rights and for equal justice have nothing in common with them, and we ought to go with clean democrats like Ben Lindsey, Bryan and others of their kind. We have faith that the country is ready to respond to this call."

The Roosevelt people are encouraged by the choice of Alton B. Parker as temporary chairman at Baltimore and are hoping that the convention there will choose some reactionary candidate like Harmon or Underwood. This would result in two conservative candidates with Roosevelt as the one progressive.

Colonel Roosevelt put in the entire morning in his suite conferring with his lieutenants. As soon as the convention was called to order the colonel's private wire to the convention was put in operation and he spent the afternoon listening to the report. During the afternoon the Oklahoma delegation of Roosevelt supporters started a movement to have a committee of the new party leaders go to Baltimore to meet with the progressives in the democratic ranks with a view to getting them into the new organization in the event of the Baltimore convention naming a conservative candidate.

### INDICT JOHNSON FOR SMUGGLING

CHICAGO, June 21.—Jack Johnson, heavyweight champion prize fighter of the world, and his wife, Etta, were indicted by the federal grand jury, charged with smuggling into this country a diamond necklace worth \$6,500.

Johnson was given the opportunity, some weeks ago, of avoiding prosecution on the charge by paying \$9,000 to the government.

The puglist attempted to compromise the case, and the government officials refused.

### Chief Engineer of Taft's Steam Roller



WILLIAM BARNES, CHIEF ENGINEER OF TAFT'S STEAM ROLLER.

### JUDICIAL RECALL IS DENOUNCED IN G. O. P. PLATFORM

CHICAGO, June 21.—As a further indication that the regular republicans have decided to draw the line sharply between radicalism and conservatism, and that the party will stand squarely on the latter issue, the sub-committee on resolutions today wrote into the temporary draft of the platform a plank denouncing the recall of judges and recall of judicial decisions, two of the favorite planks of the Roosevelt progressives.

It is expected that the factions of the progressives, who do not subscribe to the Roosevelt bolt and who intend to remain "regular" will oppose the plank in the full committee and even on the floor of the convention, but in view of the majority held by the conservatives and their apparent desire to put an unequal stamp of that sort on the "regular" platform, it is expected that the plank will stand. Whatever its fate, the La Follette men will present a platform as a minority report. No difficulty over the tariff declaration developed today and it is an entirely new plank that is being drafted.

### REDUCE NUMBER OF DELEGATES FROM SOUTHERN STATES

CHICAGO, June 21.—Reduction of representation of the delegates from the south is the rock promising a lively fight in the convention. A resolution was being prepared today greatly reducing the numbers of delegates from the "solid south."

Basing apportionment of the delegates upon the number of votes cast at the preceding general election is the plan discussed generally.

Another radical change in the rules suggested by the minority is a delegation for states' rights in naming the national committee, a plan to give each state authority to elect its committeemen in any way it may elect.

The most drastic change in the rules as agreed to by both the majority and minority, is that giving the national committee power to remove from that body any committeeman who refuses to support the nominee of the party.

It is said that the Shuberts are to enter the vaudeville field.

### BRYAN THROWS HAT IN RING AT BALTIMORE BY DECLARING WAR UPON ALTON B. PARKER

#### BRYAN'S TELEGRAM.

CHICAGO, June 21.—W. J. Bryan today sent the following telegram to Speaker Clark, Governor Wilson, Governor Burke, Governor Fos, Mayor Gaynor and Governor Baldwin: "In the interest of harmony I suggested to the sub-committee of the democratic national committee the advisability of recommending as temporary chairman some progressive acceptable to the leading progressive candidates for the presidential nomination. I took for granted that no committeeman in the democratic convention would desire to offend the members of a convention overwhelmingly progressive by naming a reactionary to sound the keynote of the campaign.

"Eight members of the sub-committee, however, have, over the protest of the remaining eight, agreed upon not only a reactionary, but upon the one democrat, who among those not candidates for the presidential nomination, who is in the eyes of the people most conspicuously identified with the reactionary element of the party. I shall be pleased to join you and your friends in opposing his selection by the full committee or by the convention. Kindly answer here. (signed) 'W. J. BRYAN.'"

### TAFT IS WINNING ALL CONTESTS IN RAPID SUCCESSION

CHICAGO, June 21.—D. C. Edwards, a Taft man and O. H. Waddle, a Roosevelt adherent, who were seated by the national committee in the eleventh Kentucky district contest, were confirmed in their seats by the committee on credentials today by a vote of 26 to 15. All the national committee decisions in favor of Taft delegates are being sustained.

Francis J. Henev of California appeared today, for the first time since he was chosen a member of the committee, despite his original decision that he would have no part in the committee's deliberations. The former San Francisco graft prosecutor precipitated a hot debate by demanding fair play when one of the Taft leaders moved to report the committee's decision on the Alabama cases to the convention.

The motion, he said, was merely a "flimsy pretext to carry out the fraud previously perpetrated before the national committee."

Henev was ruled out of order, and after strenuous objections from the Roosevelt supporters the motion carried.

### DIX DENIES DEAL WITH TAMMANY BOSSES

NEW YORK, June 21.—Before leaving for Baltimore in his automobile today Governor John A. Dix declared that he made no deal with Charles Murphy, whereby he would be renominated for governor in return for supporting the Murphy program. He said the presidential race was an open proposition and that the tentative selection of Judge Parker for temporary chairman of the convention favored no special candidate.

Telegrams Sent Progressive Leaders Asking Them to Unite Upon Some Progressive Acceptable to All to Oppose Reactionary Candidate

First Fight of Democratic Gathering Will Be Over Parker and Bryan Will Take the Floor Himself.

CHICAGO, June 21.—Colonel William Jennings Bryan threw his hat into the Baltimore ring today when he declared open war on the selection of the democratic nominee for temporary chairman—Alton B. Parker—and announced his intention of leading a fight to prevent the ratification by the convention of the national committee's choice. Bryan's deft which took the form of a telegram to all the presidential candidates whom he regards as progressives, was followed by the announcement that he would leave Chicago for Baltimore tomorrow morning. The telegram is regarded as an adroit move by Bryan to put each of the men addressed on record as to his progressiveness. Neither Underwood, Governor Harmon nor Governor Marshall of Indiana was addressed by Bryan.

Clark's Dickering BALTIMORE, Md., June 21.—Chief interest of democrats here today centered in the fight that is imminent between William J. Bryan and the conservative leaders over the selection of Judge Alton B. Parker as temporary chairman of the convention.

Bryan is said to be depending for support on the followers of Champ Clark and Woodrow Wilson. The Harmon and Underwood delegates are entirely satisfied.

Rumors were flying fast that the Clark people were dickering with the conservatives, especially Murphy of New York and Taggart of Indiana and that the deal involves throwing the Clark strength to Parker, in return for which the votes of the New York and Indiana delegates, besides some uninstructed delegates, would be given to Clark on the first.

Bryan to Take Floor Bryan men prefer to disregard these rumors and point out that if Clark attempted such a deal he would lose more than he would gain, because he would lose Bryan's friendship and good will. The Bryan men will carry the fight against Parker to the full national committee next Monday. The fight will then be taken to the floor of the convention.

Bryan himself is expected to make a speech against Parker. Campaign managers for Clark, Wilson, Harmon, Underwood, Gaynor and Marshall are already making claims. So far no ill-feeling has cropped out. No manager expects his man to be named on the first few ballots. Clark managers, who make the biggest claims, say he will have at least 425 votes on the initial ballot, but that is 200 less than the two-thirds necessary to nominate.

#### Anyone But Bryan

Among the conservative leaders it is no secret that the matter of picking Judge Parker for temporary chairman is to be used to bring to a direct issue Bryan's influence in the convention. The conservatives almost to a man profess to believe that Bryan himself wants the democratic nomination. They prefer any candidate so far mentioned to him, and they say that if they can make Parker the temporary chairman in the face of the bitter fight which Bryan is expected to make against him, they will have taken Bryan's measure and defeat him even though he should come out openly for the nomination.

When the New York production of "Ivory Twist," with Nat Goodwin in the role of Fagin, begins its road season Wilton Lackaye will be the Bill Sykes.