

JOHNSON NOT NOMINEE, BUT NOMINATOR

Hiram Looms as Picturesque Figure. Able to Get What He Wants Except Toga—Chicago a Babble With No Direct Line on Choice—"Keep the Party Together," Chief Aim.

(By R. W. Ruhl)
CHICAGO, June 9.—(Special to The Mail Tribune)—Johnson will not be nominated but he will nominate. That is the apparent situation as the side-shows end and the hour for the opening of the "big show" approaches. It is the result of a three-day's immersion in the most confusing, conflicting babel of noises that has ever disfigured a spot on this terrestrial planet.

The old-timers all say,—and the old-timers ought to know,—that a political convention never opened with the demosters more completely at sea,—adrift in a torrent of claims, conjectures, surmises, without sail, rudder or anchor.

But one thing is certain. After his triumphal entry into Chicago on Thursday "Hell Roaring" Hiram stands out as the one picturesque and commanding figure, the one candidate who is not going to drizzle out as a dud, or be laughed out as a false claim,—who may be beaten as far as the nomination is concerned, but who is certain to have a hand in deciding who the nominee is to be.

The convention to date is like a billion dollar poker game with Hiram Johnson "wild." Now a "wild" card in a poker game is worth nothing in itself, but it is almighty powerful in a combination. So with Hiram. He promises to be nothing in himself, but the candidate he combines with is going to be the victor,—wherefore Hiram in a sense, is bound to be a victor also.

The prediction is based upon the one most conspicuous feature of the political merry-go-round thus far. This feature is the deep-seated aversion for harmony. However turbulent and irregular the political atmosphere may be outside of the Coliseum, inside the shibboleth will be "Don't rock the Republican boat." One can find as many opinions of the final outcome as there are delegates, but the denomination of all is "Keep the party together!" The ghost of Theodore Roosevelt and the memory of 1912 hang heavily today over the Chicago Coliseum. Even the insurgent Hiram raises his right paw and proclaims "never again."

So, whatever else may happen, history repeating itself to the tune of "Onward Christian Soldiers" seems the least likely and with Hiram sticking to the ship and his delegation sticking to Hiram,—as they will to the last flicker,—it is morally certain that the senator from California, failing to become captain, will come powerful close to being second in command.

Of course, the control at no time is likely to be with Hiram. The nominee can be selected easily enough without the aid and over the protests of Mr. Johnson. But the point is the old guard don't want to do it. They are in a mood to conciliate, cajole and enrage the Sacramento Bear-Cat to the last and ultimate limit. In short, they are eager and anxious to do everything for Hiram but nominate him. Wherefore, one returns to the starting point.—Hiram Johnson will not be nominated, but he will nominate.

But who will it be? And upon what terms will it be done? Aye, there's the rub,—in fact, a whole Swedish mass of them. And here the man's guess is probably as good as another's. Undeniably General Wood leads the field on paper, and the organized work now being done among the delegates for the general, is far and away ahead in its zeal, thoroughness and aggressiveness of that of any other candidate. But somehow no one outside of his immediate circle seems able to see the general so beyond the 300 mark, when 493 is the lucky number. That is no one except Teddy Roosevelt, Jr., who isn't on the general's political staff, but is confident of victory on the 5th or 6th ballot.

As is Hoover. He isn't here and the voters don't mention him. Above the Johnson headquarters sign that extends nearly the entire length of the Congress hotel,—and in Bolshevik red letters 10 feet high,—is a modest

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FRANK O. LOWDEN



DEMPEY SCORES POINT, BAR LETTERS OF WIFE, MAXINE'S PAST RECITED

SAN FRANCISCO, June 9.—The testimony of Mrs. Maxine Dempsey, former wife of "Jack" Dempsey, world's heavyweight champion, in his trial for alleged evasion of the draft, in regard to confidential communications between them while they were husband and wife, were ruled out today by Judge Maurice T. Dooling in the United States district court. Two witnesses were put on the stand by the prosecution early in today's session to prove that his wife and parents were not dependent on him for support. Helen Goodman of Pasco, Wash., told the jury that Dempsey's wife Maxine was a woman of the night life in Pasco for three or four weeks in 1917.

MOVE MADE TO END INDUSTRIAL UNREST PERIOD

A. F. of L. Enters Resolution for Voluntary Arbitration to End "Wage Advancing and Price Jumping"—Garment Workers Ask Release of "Social Idealists"—Irish Start Fuss on League.

MONTREAL, June 9.—Recommendation that workers and employers of the United States create a voluntary arbitration body to settle labor's grievances was placed before the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor today as a means of bringing about a "more harmonious relationship" and reducing the high cost of living.

The resolution declared that establishment of the commission would end the present cycle of wage-advancing and price-increasing "which it seems utter folly to continue."

Should the federation accept the proposal, the executive council would be instructed to extend an invitation to "the associated industrial and such other representative bodies of business men as in their judgment are necessary to meet with them for the purpose of devising ways and means of creating the voluntary arbitration body."

Alexander Howat, representing the Kansas State Federation of Labor, introduced a resolution condemning Governor Allen for his "despicable efforts to enslave the working class of Kansas, and finally the working class of the United States in prostituting his office as governor of Kansas to the work of enervating the working class."

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Three Dark Horses and a Pair of "Runners Up"



GENERAL LEONARD WOOD

GOMPERS WAGES WAR ANTI STRIKE

Labor to Oppose Federal Law Modeled After Kansas Measure—Use of Force in Mexico Is Described—Regulation of Alien Immigration Asked—Other Desired Planks Presented to Republicans.

CHICAGO, June 9.—Vigorous opposition to federal legislation similar to the Kansas industrial court measure to unrestricted immigration and to the use of injunction proceedings in strikes was contained in a set of "demands" which Samuel Gompers and Matthew A. Woll of the American Federation of Labor, submitted today to the resolutions committee of the republican national convention.

"Legislation which proposes to make strikes unlawful or to compel the wage earners to submit their grievances or aspirations to courts or to governmental agencies, is an invasion of the rights of the wage earners and when enforced makes for industrial serfdom and slavery," the statement said regarding the Kansas law.

Labor pledged itself, it added, to uphold the federal law protecting its rights against "unwarrantable issuance of writs of injunction, either prohibitory or mandatory."

"It is essential," continued the statement, "that additional legislation regulating immigration should be enacted based on two fundamental principles namely that the flow of immigration must not at any time exceed the nation's ability to assimilate and Americanize foreigners coming to our shores, and that at no time shall immigration be permitted when there exists an appreciable degree of unemployment."

Other demands included: "Immediate relief from high cost of living burdens; extension of the farm loan act to give credit to all properly organized co-operatives and individual farmers; issuance of a monthly statement by the department of labor on the cost of manufacture of staple articles; prompt federal investigation of profits and the making accessible of all income and other tax returns; observance, enforcement and extensions of the federal maximum eight hour law in all civil departments of the government; revision of the federal compensation law to care for those who are not represented by state laws as well as sufferers from industrial accidents and occupational diseases; exclusion from interstate commerce of products of convict labor; repeal of the labor provisions of the Esch-Cummings law; direct election of federal judges by the people for terms not exceeding six years and action to prevent federal legislation being held unconstitutional.

The statement also declared against the use of force by the United States in Mexico to compel Mexicans to meet the demands of persons who purpose to "exploit" Mexico's resources.

\$75,000 Mill Fire. SEATTLE, June 9.—Fire starting in an overheated kiln destroyed the Seattle Box Factory and Lumber yard today entailing a loss in excess of \$75,000.



CHARLES EVANS HUGHES

STILL ANOTHER CABINET MEMBER RESIGNS POST; LONG TO ENTER POLITICS

WASHINGTON, June 9.—Breckenridge Long, third assistant secretary of state, has resigned and his resignation has been accepted by President Wilson.

Mr. Long retires to make the race for the nomination for United States senator from his home state, Missouri, and has left for St. Louis to take personal charge of his campaign.

PARAMOUR ADMITS GUILT, WIFE AIDED

SALEM, June 9.—Jesse Mullinix yesterday pleaded guilty before Judge Bingham when arraigned on a charge of assaulting T. W. Steiger, prominent Marion county farmer, with intent to kill. Sentence will be pronounced Monday. Steiger was shot four times by Mullinix one night last March at the Steiger home. Mrs. Steiger, wife of Steiger, charged with conspiring with Mullinix to kill her husband, will be tried in September. It was announced.

CAN HAVE EVERYTHING HE ASKS, BUT ONE.



A Nominee, Who Becomes Nominator.



HERBERT HOOVER

ONLY THRILL SPEECH BY KANSAS LADY

First Woman Orator Before Any Convention — Chauncey Depew, Party Patriarch, Talks—G. O. P. Devotes Second Day to Routine and Singing National Anthems—Dull Session With No Outstanding Feature.

COLISEUM, Chicago, June 9.—The republican national convention was in session only an hour today and devoted itself entirely to routine preliminaries.

The temporary organization was made permanent, the report of the credentials committee, was approved with the changes made last night, some of which reversed previous decisions of the national committee.

For its second day sensation the convention heard a woman speaker, Mrs. Margaret Hill McCarter of Kansas, the first woman to address a national convention.

Chauncey Depew also spoke. "Senator Lodge says I'm an old man, but he's mistaken," said Mr. Depew. "A man down south who heard

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CALVIN COOLIDGE

CONVICT SERVING LIFE FREES PALS OF BLAME PORTLAND INN CRIME

SALEM, June 9.—James Ogle, who with Walter Bannister and David Smith is serving a life sentence in the state penitentiary here for the murder of J. N. Burgess and George E. Peringer, during a holdup of the Claremont tavern, near Portland, last November, today confessed to firing the shots which killed the two men, according to Warden L. H. Compton. The warden said that Ogle's confession apparently was responsible for the confession.

Burgess and Peringer were killed while resisting the hold-up. Ogle had previously declared Smith had done the shooting.

FAVOR BONUS FOR SOLDIERS BUT FEAR TAXES

Manufacturers Aide Appears Before G. O. P. Committee to File Protest—Drys, Pacifists, and Farmers, All Seek Pet Notion Inserted in Platform—Farm Must Receive Help, or Nation Will Suffer.

CHICAGO, June 9.—Questions of taxation must be among the first to be given consideration of the republican party if it would retain the confidence of industry, James A. Emery, general counsel for the National Association of Manufacturers told the committee inlaying before it that organization's claims for attention.

The organization favors "reasonable government assistance to those serving in the military forces," but objected strongly to any form of a general bonus, Emery said.

The question of a bonus was linked inseparably with taxation, he argued. Realizing that it had serious party history to write, the sub-committee took up quarters in a secluded hotel bedroom, left orders that it was not to be disturbed, took off its coats literally as well as figuratively and settled down to its job. Members predicted it would not be ready to quit before midnight at the earliest.

Senator Borah was on hand from the start, although the league plank was not to be taken up for several hours.

At the outset of its meeting the sub-committee read through the report of Chairman Hays' committee of 171 as it had been revised in previous convention conferences. Most of it was written into the platform without extended discussion.

Prohibition crept into the hearing when Wayne B. Wheeler, general counsel for the Anti-Saloon league and four other drys urged the committee to take a firm stand for enforcement of the dry laws under the Volstead act. Wheeler said that the detracete party would be compelled to take a similar stand.

"It is pure patriotism and good politics to stand fearlessly for the

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NO BALLOTS G. O. P. CHOICE TILL FRIDAY

Wood Men Named Chairmen Important Committees—Taken As Good Sign—If Big Three Can Hold Cohorts, Dark Horse to Be Favorite—What 500 Uninstructed Delegates Will Do Vital—No Line of What Johnson Will Do.

CHICAGO, June 9.—Ideal weather continued today. A cool crisp breeze blew off Lake Michigan and the sun was shining. It was the remark of everyone that the convention hall was unusually comfortable.

There was little prospect that the convention would reach a ballot on the presidential nomination before Friday or possibly Friday night.

Out of developments yesterday, which placed Senator Watson of Indiana at the head of the platform building machinery, the resolutions committee and made Edward D. Duffield of New Jersey chairman of the credentials committee, Major General Wood's lieutenants drew much comfort.

Both men are delegates instructed for Wood. Frank Hitchcock, invested yesterday with the authority of supreme commander over the Wood field forces, saw a "psychological advantage to his candidate in the 'vic-tory'."

Leaders who in other days were the mainspring of party action did not share Mr. Hitchcock's views. They continued to talk much of Governor Lowden's gaining strength; while from camp of Senator Johnson and the Illinois governor came assertions from the candidates themselves that they were "satisfied" with the situation coupled with expressions of optimism as to the outcome of the balloting. Admittedly, any development which would have that effect would be valuable to any candidate.

Aside from guesses as to what the more than 500 uninstructed delegates will do when the roll is called for their votes, the main topic of conversation, assertion, counter-assertion and conjecture has been the number of ballots through which the "big three" can hold the lines of their instructed cohorts. Should their forces remain firm indefinitely the search for a dark horse will begin in earnest to break the three-way deadlock that would result.

The resolution committee worked late last night; but it still had many interests to hear from when it resumed today. No subject pertaining to any phase of the national life has been slighted by those who have sought to guide the committee's views.

Among those to be heard today was Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, bearing suggestions he did not outline in advance. Added importance attached to his appearance because of the fact that federation is now committed to full political activity under a slogan that no enemy of labor shall gain public office if labor can prevent it.

While the full resolutions committee is engaged with these hearings, however, a sub-committee of thirteen, named last night by Senator Watson and over which he also will preside, will proceed with the actual cutting and fitting of platform planks. On its face, this move was designed to seek harmony on proposed party declarations of principle, views of all candidates for nomination being represented in the sub-committee personnel. The four United States senators, including Senator Watson, who are included recall vividly diverging views as to treaty ratification on the majority side in the long senate battle.

Deliberations of the resolutions sub-committee as to the treaty plank were watched with particular interest. There has been an undercurrent of feeling that if it did not satisfy the Johnson-Borah demands for repudiation of the League of Nations covenant in its entirety, the two senators might carry the fight to the floor of the convention itself. Both have hinted at such a course in recent statements or speeches and about those hints has grown up talk of a Johnson bolt.

Examination of the remarks of the two "irreconcilable" elders in the treaty fight, however, discloses nothing of a positive nature as to Senator Johnson's plans and it appeared obvious that Senator Watson had assembled his platform sub-committee

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