

G. O. P. IS READY TO PICK LANDON FOR PRESIDENCY

Senator Steiwer Ratified as Keynote; Parley Officers Named.

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The nomination and the stop-Landon movement is faltering. A United Press tabulation gives him 468 first ballot votes, just 34 short of the 502 minimum majority necessary for the nomination.

Major candidates rank as follows:

Landon	468
Borah	115
Knox	90
Vandenberg	45
Others	108
Unrecorded	177

A first-ballot nomination is indicated, but a second-ballot nomination is likely. If Mr. Landon falls to pull the hill on the third or fourth roll call, the unexpected trouble which has been variously promised him may be considered to have arrived.

But the 468 minimum of first ballot votes which seem assured for the Governor of Kansas, must prove too much for his opponents unless there is, indeed, a miracle. So, with Mr. Landon waiting in Topeka, and the men who protest his fitness battling valiantly here, the convention gets under way, part of the biggest and best political show any country can produce and the heritage of the American people which blossoms at intervals of four years.

Dispute over the party platform almost compensates for the anticlimactic windup of the presidential nomination race.

Hoover Speaks Tomorrow

Former President Hoover is the other bona fide national figure among the Republicans as of today, and he is a scheduled speaker for tomorrow night. Mr. Hoover is en route from California. His appearance will be his last as titular leader of the party. It was the sole political dignity left to him after 1932, and after the nominee is selected, that, too, will be taken from him.

Mr. Hoover was asked to address the convention only after he announced that he was not a candidate.

The money dispute is not limited to Mr. Landon and Mr. Borah. East and west are battling. Big farm organizations want a managed currency and control somewhat after the fashion of the New Deal. There is pressure for a constitutional amendment to guarantee that the Supreme Court no longer will forbid states to impose wages and hour regulations upon industry.

There is even dispute over the length and manner of platform declaration, the East contending that the statement of principles should be short and in general terms, the Landonites and some others of the West insisting that the party not only should say what it intends to do but explain how it will do it.

SPRINGER HONORED IN FAYETTE COUNTY

10,000 Attend Reception for G. O. P. Nominee.

Times Special

CONNEERSVILLE, Ind., June 9.—Raymond S. Springer, Republican candidate for Governor, got a rest from handshaking today until the opening of the fall campaign.

He was honored last night by Fayette County citizens at a nonpartisan reception.

An estimated 10,000 participated in the reception. Clyde Berry, G. O. P. county chairman, was in charge. Mr. Springer pledged that if elected his big objective would be "to do the greatest good for all the people."

LANDON'S DAUGHTER GOES TO CONVENTION

Pretty Kansas Co-Ed in Cleveland Just "To Make Friends."

By United Press

CLEVELAND, June 9.—Activities at Alf M. Landon's headquarters centered about his co-ed daughter, Peggy Ann, today. She makes better campaign pictures than anything any other Republican candidate yet has produced.

The Landon 29-piece band, decked out in colors as loud as its music, went into eclipse when Peggy arrived.

The Landon managers stopped using the band as a chief attracting magnet for straying delegates, and began thinking up a good schedule for Peggy Ann.

A small girl with soulful eyes and a warm smile, she has just finished her sophomore year at Kansas University, is not engaged, smokes once in a while, and came to Cleveland for no other purpose than "to make friends."

OFFICIAL WEATHER

United States Weather Bureau

Summit 4:10 Sunset 7:12

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June 9, 1935

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Convention Sidelights

By Herblock and Thornton



BY WILLIS THORNTON
NEA Service Correspondent

CLEVELAND, June 9.—Ghosts of former Republican days stalk through the hotel lobby and committee rooms at the G. O. P. convention.

C. Bascom Silem, once secretary to President Coolidge, not even a delegate; just couldn't stay away.

George Akerson, once secretary to President Hoover, just circulating around.

And Lawrence Richey, another Hoover secretary who still works at it, swearing that he was just in town to make advance arrangements for Hoover's convention speech, not to do any political dickering.

Former Senator George Moses is never allowed to forget how he called Midwest rebel Republicans "Sons of the Wild Jackass." Now Moses, though plugging for the Knox candidacy, may have to see one of the wild jackass' cousins the party nominee.

Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, widow of the former Speaker of the House, who was called "Princess Alice" when she was a White House baby, and still gets the tag, though she now looks more like Queen Marie of Rumania. She's a delegate. Writes pieces.

NEED FOR COURAGE IN G. O. P. IS SEEN

Party Leaders Are Losing Nerve, Clapper Says.

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raised by the Supreme Court's minimum wage decision. A modest suggestion. Even so, he didn't speak, so it is gossiped here, without Landon's consent. The Landon crowd was ready for action. All it wanted was encouragement.

This seemed to be developing. Some of the most reactionary men in the party, thinking they saw the handwriting on the wall, said why of course they were for a constitutional amendment, that it was an outrage that neither the states nor the Federal government could lay hands on a sweatshop employer who took advantage of the line at the hiring gate to squeeze his wages down to \$3 a week.

Until yesterday the reactionaries thought they were licked. Not so today. They've had a break—an unexpected break. And from a strange source. From Senator Borah. From the man who for years has been considered one of the most liberal-minded leaders in the party—although sometimes it didn't require much liberalism to be called to the head of the class. Yet, such as it was, Borah typified it.

Borah Says 'Wait'

But he comes to Cleveland with the stage set for him. And what does he do? He says to wait. Wait, he says. We don't need a constitutional amendment. Wait. Sometime maybe the Supreme Court will change its mind. Wait. Stand pat. Within an hour after the news got around the hotel lobbies, you could see the faces of the reactionaries brighten up. Saved by Borah—the man they had thought was too wild. Many questions besides minimum wages will determine how liberal the Republican Party can make itself. But the minimum wage decision is a test. It is something the man on the street—and the woman—can understand. Let the Republican Party recoil in fear from touching this simple question and it can kiss its majority good-by in November. If this guess is worth anything. Such action will be the tip-off.

Where's George?



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7 N. MERIDIAN

THE Republican National Committee, in full session for the hearing of contests over delegations, just nicely filled the Public Hall ballroom which only two weeks before accommodated the whole convention of the Socialist Party.

Women delegates are entertained in refined surroundings during the social events in their honor. First a reception at the Cleveland Museum of Art. Second a tea aboard the ship "Moses Cleveland," refitted as an elaborate night club for the period of the Great Lakes Exposition.

When Charles Michelson checked in at National Committee headquarters, reception clerks, were ready to call a sergeant-at-arms to throw out the Democratic press chief. But it wasn't that Charlie Michelson. This one's from New York, a Knox worker.

CAN FLOYD of Sedan, Chautauqua County, Kas., is the most prominent alternate with the Kansas delegation. That's because he is co-pro-

COURAGE LACKING IN PARTY, WRITER SAYS

Chiefs Seem to Be Losing Nerve, He Thinks.

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Goodrich sought the platform committee assignment. Both were successful.

In addition they made Mrs. Grace Santa Reynolds, Cambridge City,

prietor of a ranch with a fellow named Alf Landon. Chunky Eden T. Brekke of Illinois was given the unenviable job of organizing the force of 100 door-men needed to guard the 45 doors to Public Hall, two at each door.

Too bad that all the oratory of the delegation contests before the national committee is lost to posterity. Some of it was quite impressive, and oddly enough, one of the hottest contests was between rival Alaska delegations. They got torrid enough to toss the lie back and forth and threaten a little nose-punching.

Speaking of the Territories, Hawaii wasn't lost in the shuffle, either. J. B. Guard, Honolulu alternate, wears a long white feather in his hat. Looks ready to take off any minute.

WILLIAM ALLEN WHITE, who now feels that there is nothing much the matter with Kansas after all, was jovial to newspaper men on arrival with the Kansas delegation. "At my age, some men go in for keeping mistresses, and some go in for the

national committee woman, unseating Mrs. Eleanor Barker Snodgrass, and thus challenged State Chairman Ivan G. Morgan to resign.

The two hotly contested places, national committee woman and member of the platform committee, were won by secret ballot which was demanded by "Eating Hiram" Bearss, famed Marine officer who is attending as a delegate from Peru.

Upshot of the meeting is that the Ralph Gates faction is right back where it started when it launched an attack on Mr. Watson and Mr. Morgan's chairmanship appears to be nominal.

Offices filled without contest were re-election of George A. Ball, Mun-

gold standard. I am a strong gold standard man." Then, when photographers leveled their black boxes, White flipped "Shoot, if you must, this old bald head."

The Republicans have a one-man brain trust operating for them while the convention goes on. He's Olin G. Saxon, former Yale professor, who camps in a slightly office among those of the national committee, with formidable steel files beside him. If some delegate wishes to present a plank for a super-tariff on anchovies, Mr. Saxon dives into his files and comes up with the figures on anchovy imports. He'll probably be given a squirt at the platform in final form, too, just so it may have no economic bugs.

POLITICAL sniping began early when anti-Landon bills were passed out in front of the delegates' hotels and the convention hall. These sheets were an unsigned attack on Landon as a near-Dealer, and strove to halt the Landon bandwagon with the admonition "Don't Get Anxious! Look the Field Over! And Pick a Winner!"

Kentucky Democrats Meet

By United Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky., June 9.—Gov. A. E. Chandler, as temporary chairman and keynote speaker, was expected to ask for party harmony as 3000 delegates and twice as many spectators gathered here today to select delegates to the Democratic national convention.

Long Reported Better

By United Press

ROCHESTER, Minn., June 9.—Breckenridge Long, Ambassador to Italy, was slightly improved today at a Mayo Clinic Hospital where he is in serious condition after an operation.

LANDON FORCES URGE PLANK ON WAGE PROBLEM

White Leads Fight to Include Point in Party Platform.

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tional issue—whether the Constitution is to go back to increasing the power of the states, or move forward to broaden the power of Congress and the Federal government. For nearly every alternate, President Roosevelt has made to revamp the economic structure to modern-day needs has been stopped in its tracks by the Supreme Court.

To say that the country should mark time and wait for the judges to change their minds, or to die, which seems to be in effect what Senator Borah is advocating, does not satisfy many Republicans at this convention as in any way meeting the basic problem, nor does it satisfy Landon apparently.

What manner of man the little-known Kansas may be should be revealed in the next two days by the way he battles for the proposed reform.

How he shows up also will give a key to another fundamental involved in this convention and advocated particularly by Senator Borah—the proposed revitalizing and reorganization of the Republican Party.

Party Organization Necessary

The Kansas Governor has an opportunity to recast the party along Western lines and with fresh blood. The Eastern Old Guard as it has been constituted, the men who have made Presidents and kept the party rigidly conservative, are definitely on the down-grade here. They had no part in the Landon boom and are being forced into line reluctantly. They look very uncomfortable.

The time for reform in the party organization never was more propitious; in fact, it is virtually necessary.

Herbert Hoover had the chance in 1928 when he was swept to the nomination by a popular wave. But he tossed it aside and treated with the Eastern Big Business element by opening up the tariff. They never liked him, but they found him tractable.

The Old Guard, including the Hoover element, are much in the background here—Ogden L. Mills, Charles D. Hilles, J. Henry Roraback, Daniel Pomeroy, Walter E. Edge, James E. Watson, Walter F. Brown. But all are looking for a crack in the door to squeeze through.

Will Landon close the door, or will he let the "fat boys" in again? Lots of Republicans interested in the party's future are looking for the answer.

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