

RUMBLINGS OF DISCORD HEARD

Leaders Abandon Hope of Quelling Outbreak of Debate on Convention Floor.

BURLESON GIVES VIEWS

San Francisco, June 23.—Rumblings of democratic discord over the prohibition issue became hourly more ominous today as delegates and party chiefs arrived in increasing numbers for the national convention.

Hope that the gathering storm might spend itself behind the closed doors of the platform committee virtually was abandoned by the leaders and they prepared to face an outbreak of tempestuous debate on the floor of the convention itself.

Such a development, it was agreed everywhere, would hold many dramatic possibilities, including a further complication of the uncertain outlook as to the presidential nomination.

Overhadowing issue.

Already the overhadowing issue in reconvention conferences, the question of a platform declaration against the present "bone day" law almost took

the whole stage for itself today as the gathering delegates heard of Postmaster-General Burleson's announcement for a modification of the Volstead act. By many accustomed to regard the postmaster-general as a political spokesman for the White House, the development was accepted as a warning of which way the wind of administration influence would blow. Others among the party leaders refused to take that view, but no one here assumed to know with certainty how far the sentiments of President Wilson might be in accord with those of Mr. Burleson.

The latter, who announced his stand yesterday at San Antonio, Tex., will not reach San Francisco until late in the week.

What every one here does know, however, is that both sides of the controversy are commencing their lines and bringing their heaviest artillery for a bush fight. After many conferences in an effort to lay a basis for harmony, Homer S. Cummings, the national chairman, said today it seemed a "fair bet" that the question would be taken to the convention floor for a settlement regardless of what decision was made in the platform committee.

Closely intertwined with the prohibition question is the problem of selecting a nominee in accord with the platform as finally agreed on, and among many of the practical politicians there is a feeling that the two decisions must be settled virtually at one stroke.

So the pleas of candidates' managers and the pleas of party leaders are heard while the leaders get their bearings on the more immediate question of a bonedry or a beer platform.

League of Nations.

The league of nations disagreement, along with several other disputed platform issues, has followed the question of candidates into temporary eclipse.

Wilson First President to Indorse Suffrage, Says Leader

(BY MRS. ANTOINETTE FUNK.)
Noted Suffrage Leader, Written Expressly for the I. N. S.

San Francisco, June 23.—The democratic national convention at San Francisco will without doubt adopt a platform indorsing the federal amendment for woman suffrage. This will be in line with the policy of the party as announced by President Wilson and indorsed by every leading democrat in the United States, and I hope it will call the attention of American women to the fact that no man in the White House ever supported woman suffrage except President Wilson. Even Theodore Roosevelt was an anti until the formation of the progressive party, four years after he went out of office.

The league of nations is not second in importance in the minds of women even to the matter of suffrage, for suffrage is an accomplished fact. The women of America sent their sons into the war in the belief that this was would bring a promise of peace to our troubled world. The democratic party under the leadership of a democrat president has formulated a treaty in

7 WOMEN NAMED TO AID HARDING

Will Hays Chairman of Executive Committee of 21 to Conduct Campaign.

Washington, June 23.—Republican leaders generally expressed approval today of the personnel of the executive committee which will conduct the party's presidential campaign. Twenty-one members, including seven women, will constitute the committee, and the names of twenty of these were announced last night by Chairman Will Hays, of the national committee, at the conclusion of the two-day conference here of Mr. Hays, Senator Harding, the nominee, and a number of national committeemen. The one name said to be that of a national committeeman was omitted because Mr. Hays had not had time to communicate with its appointee.

Mr. Hays heads the executive committee and the other nineteen members as announced are Mrs. Harriet Taylor Upton, of Ohio, vice-chairman; Mrs. Katherine Phillips Edson, California; Mrs. Manley L. Fosseer, Minnesota.

Among most of the leaders it is agreed that whatever trouble develops over the treaty will be only a drop in the bucket compared to the prohibition fight.

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ULSTER ON BRINK OF CIVIL WAR

Reign of Terror Spreads and Fighting in Streets of Londonderry Continues.

Belfast, June 23.—One person was killed and several others wounded in another outbreak of street fighting between unionists and Sinn Feiners at Londonderry during the night.

This fresh outbreak of hostilities followed a brief lull Tuesday afternoon.

The fighting was particularly violent and covered a wide area of the city.

Several buildings in the business district were burned. Shelling increased in intensity late Tuesday and a woman was killed. Fires were started by bomb explosions. British troops that were put on guard around property owned by unionists were sniped continuously by hidden Sinn Feiners.

Word received from Londonderry at 5:30 o'clock said that fighting was in progress that hour between Sinn Feiners and unionists from behind barricaded houses mounted with sandbags. The casualties were reported to be heavy.

There has been much looting at Londonderry during the past twenty-four hours, particularly in buildings occupied by saloons. An attack against the Londonderry colleges is being reported. Irish volunteers were said to have attacked the residential district where many unionists live and women and children fled in panic.

A telephone message from a Londonderry suburb early today said that unusually heavy rifle firing had been heard in the city for a period of three minutes, "succeeded by a significant silence."

The "reign of terror" is apparently spreading. Armed Irish volunteers entered the fray at Londonderry early today.

The Caronites in this city (the unionist followers of Sir Edward Carson) held a meeting to debate the advisability of marching to Londonderry to help out the unionists.

The situation here is tense with excitement. It is admitted that the whole Ulster province is on the brink of civil war. The temper of the Ulsterites is shown by the following extract from an editorial in the Northern Whig.

"The government seems to be afflicted with creeping paralysis. If it continues as weak as it is at present, Ulster men will think that they are strong enough for the task at hand."

Gen. Carter Campbell has assumed command of the British troops at Londonderry. He has slightly more than a battalion under his command, but two more battalions were being held in readiness in Belfast for instant use.

No Cessation in Riots.

Londonderry, June 23.—There was no cessation today in the battle between unionist and nationalist factions which kept Londonderry in a terror-stricken state for some days past.

During the night the rival factions avenged additional fatalities from which they kept up a continuous fire. At times the shooting reached the intensity of the rioting.

The malcontents today were in entire charge of most of the city and it even was impossible to learn the number of casualties from the authorities. Reports were in circulation that several bodies had been seen lying in Bishop street.

The military remained passive, the troops watching bodies of armed men pass through the side streets to their battle positions. Considerable fighting occurred on the water front, which was cut off from the rest of the town. The central police station was isolated from the other stations and the police virtually were abandoned. It was rumored that a force of Sinn Feiners was gathering outside the city and also that the Irish volunteers were about to take a hand.

No more troops had arrived in Londonderry up to this afternoon. It was reported, however, that an additional battalion had detrained at Coleraine, about thirty miles northwest of this city, and was marching in to escape the danger of its train being wrecked. All persons finding it possible to do so are leaving Londonderry.

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NEW REVOLTS IN MEXICO
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