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THE CLARION is devoted to the interests of the students of Washington and Lee University in their convention to nominate a candidate for the Presidency and Vice-Presidency of these United States.

**A Little Co-Operation.**

On the eve of the opening session of the convention, we would urge the delegates to strive hard. Don't procrastinate! Upon the efforts that are made within the next few hours will depend the pleasure and profit that will be derived from the convention. To whatever task you have been assigned, we would urge you to meet it. For, if a spirit of activity and co-operation prevails, the mock convention doubtless will be a hummer.

Those who have been elected to the committees, should attend the meetings and offer suggestions, especially those whose duty it will be to formulate planks for the platform and rules for procedure. To properly arrange the seating in the gymnasium will require some labor and time, but this should be effected without a hitch.

But what is just as important is that the promoters of the candidates should boom their choices, and urge the respective students to attend all the sessions. "A little pep" would not be a bad slogan.

**The Convention.**

After hubbub and ado, the Convention is with us. The possibilities for a successful assemblage were never more beckoning. And therefore we would urge every one to make the most of it.

With its many issues, the convention should serve to acquaint the followers with the problems that are baffling the leaders of America. The machinery through which reforms and movements are fostered will be within the vision of all.

But unless the participants are game enough to venture forth upon the convention floor and seek recognition, much will be lost through modesty. Be a participant!

**The Wisdom of Change.**

The wisdom of the change from the Chapel to the gymnasium is evident. The vast Doremus structure, with its many rooms to serve as committee halls and its spacious proportions, is an ideal place for such a meeting.

And, also, the spirit of the occasion can be evinced without feeling the necessity for a cautious restraint.

**WILL DISPROVE THAT ORATORY IS VERY DEAD**

**Nominating Speeches Are Expected to Show This—Many to Attempt Flights.**

That oratory is dead will be disproved today.

Before the many candidates have been introduced and offered for consideration by the various contingents, the doubting Thomases will no longer give vent to the belief. For, according to scheduled reports, virtually every candidate will have his views aired and his virtues extolled when nominations for the presidency are declared to be in order.

Charles Lombardi, the orator of the left wing of the dormitory after several outbursts of a nocturnal category, will make his supreme effort when he places in nomination his fellow statesman and comrade—John W. Weeks, of Massachusetts. His flight of oratory will doubtless flood the vast edifice.

Paul R. Scott will tell the delegates of the reasons why Theodore Roosevelt should be given serious consideration for the nomination.

Cummins—the strong candidate from the west of the Mississippi—will be presented to the uproarous meeting by Edmund Leyburn Junkin. David A. Falk, at the behest of Elihu Root, will extol the virtues of the New Yorker and present his views and plans for the ascendancy of the Republican party.

One of the most keenly anticipated speeches is that which Morris L. Masinter, chairman of the New York delegation, will offer when he urges the G. O. P. to champion the rights of the United States with Justice Charles Hughes as the standard bearer.

Fred M. Davis will seek to enlist the support of the convention to the standard of William E. Borah when he offers this statesman as the country. Charles W. Fairbanks will be introduced for consideration by Ted Shultz, the chairman of the Indiana delegation. In all probability, J. E. Buckley will espouse the cause of Theodore Burton, for it seems assured that Burton will be offered.

But, unless indications go awry, the flights and fancies of speech will not be confined to the aforementioned.

**TWO NEW ISSUES TO INTEREST PARTY**

Unless signs fail, there will be unromantic debates when the platform is reported to the convention floor for consideration. Two great questions, at which the national parties have hitherto cast an unwilling eye, will be offered for consideration. One contingent will propose that the G. O. P. woo the favor of the women of the United States by advocating equal suffrage. The other will aspire to inject the national prohibition issue into the platform.

That both will arouse some element of disfavor is regarded as a certainty. The fight of these two contingents to embody the measures as planks in the party platform will be hot and not lacking in spirit.

**MEETINGS OF THE STATE DELEGATIONS HOLD SWAY.**

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an enthusiastic meeting of the delegation from Colorado was held.

The appointment of W. J. Cox as chairman was confirmed by the members.

The committeemen are: Resolutions and Platform—W. J. Cox; Permanent Organization—H. J. Blackford; Rules and Order of Business—T. A. Myles; Credentials—W. T. Greenlee. While it was decided to go uninstructed to the convention, the sentiment of the members of the delegation proved to be strong for Borah, the Idaho Senator. The committee favors woman suffrage, thorough preparedness and a high tariff.

**FLORIDA.**

Florida will go uninstructed. However, the delegation is reported as split of prohibition, but opposed to equal suffrage.

The committeemen are: Credentials—E. K. Nelson; Permanent Organization—W. M. McLeod; Rules—W. S. Honaker; Platform—A. G. McKinnon.

**GEORGIA.**

The Georgia delegation comes without instructions and has not decided definitely what candidate it will support.

The committeemen are: Permanent Organization—B. F. Woodruff; Resolutions—T. S. Patton; Rules—J. D. Owens; Credentials—J. G. Ramey.

**ILLIOIS.**

Following the example of the state, the Illinois delegation was instructed for Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman for president. The twenty-six delegates decided in favor of equal suffrage, but opposed to national prohibition.

The appointments to committees are: Permanent Organization—N. Britts; Rules—W. L. Joyce; Credentials—B. L. Dickinson; Resolutions and Platform—P. R. Scott.

**INDIANA.**

The Indiana delegation is solid for Charles W. Fairbanks for the Republican nomination. The Hoosier delegation will boom their favorite son for the coveted honor of returning the republican party to power.

On the committees, the following will serve: Permanent Organization—E. C. Shull; Credentials—L. L. Moore; Rules—B. F. Tillar; Platform—H. G. Smith. E. B. Shultz will be the permanent chairman.

**IOWA.**

Iowa will place Albert B. Cummins in nomination for the presidential candidacy, and will support him with a full delegation. The aid of the west will be sought, the Iowans announce.

The committeemen from Iowa are: Permanent Organization—H. J. Kiser; Rules—G. R. Shaw; Credentials—D. W. Thornburg; Platform—S. P. Kohlen.

**KANSAS.**

Unless Kansas votes that her delegates must vote for some candidate, the delegation will go to the convention uninstructed.

The committeemen from the progressive middle west state are: Permanent Organization—T. H. Evans; Credentials—L. A. McMurray; Rules and Order of Business—J. R. Fain;

Resolutions and Platform—S. M. B. Coulling.

**KENTUCKY.**

The Kentucky delegation was called to order by its chairman Monday afternoon at three o'clock with all the delegates present except Wofsy.

The delegates were elected to the different committees as follows: Permanent Organization—R. A. Wellons; Rules and Order of Business—R. R. Hinkle; Credentials—R. P. Hobson; Platform—D. B. Harris.

It was voted that the delegation go unanimously against Prohibition and 10 to 1 against Women's Suffrage. Owing to the unsettled condition of the different candidates' campaigns it was decided that the delegation go uninstructed as to its choice for the nomination.

**LOUISIANA.**

Louisiana will wage a fight to have the equal suffrage provision placed in the Republican platform. The delegation has not been reported as instructed.

The committeemen are: Permanent Organization—D. S. Noble; Platform—P. W. Buhrman; Rules and Order—M. Frank; Credentials—T. C. Standifer.

**MARYLAND.**

The Maryland delegates will go to the convention with an "open mind" both in regard to the candidate for the nomination and in regard to the prohibition and suffrage questions.

The personnel of the committeemen is as follows: Resolutions and Platform—S. B. Moyle; Rules and Order of Business—B. B. Bane; Permanent Organization—M. P. Sutton; Credentials—J. R. Collins.

**MASSACHUSETTS.**

The "Old Bay State" delegation will support its favorite son, John W. Weeks. This was the decision reached at the meeting Tuesday evening, presided over by Charles Lombardi. The delegation is against both woman suffrage and prohibition.

Resolutions and Platform—S. L. Robertson; Permanent Organization—Charles Lombardi; Rules and Order of Business—R. P. Hawkins; Credentials—F. S. Porter.

**MICHIGAN.**

Henry Ford, the apostle of peace, will receive the entire vote of Michigan on the first ballot. Unless Ford gets real consideration, the Michigan coterie will shift to Burton for the nomination. The delegates are opposed to national prohibition, but favor equal suffrage.

The committeemen are: Permanent Organization—J. W. May; Rules—C. W. Gooch; Credentials—J. F. Holbrook; Resolutions and Platform—J. E. Buckley.

**MINNESOTA.**

Minnesota will back Cummins. It has been reported as against equal suffrage, but in favor of national prohibition.

The committeemen, as appointed, are: Permanent Organization—B. P. Goad; Rules—J. H. Stephenson; Credentials—M. H. Hester; Resolutions and Platform—A. N. Williams.

Minnesota has twelve delegates to lend their backing to Cummins in his race for the nomination.

**MISSISSIPPI.**

The Mississippi delegation was called together Monday night by the

chairman, J. C. Rivers. It was decided to support Hughes during the balloting. The members of the delegation are for prohibition, but will oppose woman suffrage.

The men elected to the four standing committees are as follows: Permanent Organization—A. G. Paxton; Rules and Order of Business—E. R. Pleasants; Resolutions and Platform—C. G. Peters; Credentials—T. M. Pitts.

**MISSOURI.**

Governor Hadley will receive the vote of the Missouri delegation, at least on the first ballot. On the other issues, the delegation is not so well certain.

The committeemen are: Permanent Organization—S. H. Showell; Rules Committee—S. E. Durrance; Credentials—J. A. Oast; Platform—J. C. Fisher.

**MONTANA.**

The four delegates representing Montana will urge upon the convention the necessity of inserting the woman suffrage clause in the party platform. Though not definitely decided, the tendency of the westerners is to support Hughes.

On the committees, Montana will have: Permanent Organization—Alvin Beall, Jr.; Credentials—M. S. Evans; Platform—H. K. Young; Rules and Regulations—N. O. E. Treadway.

**NEVADA.**

The Nevada delegation held its pre-convention meeting April 24, 1916 at the Morris House and they agreed to go uninstructed as to the nominee but to support suffrage and fight prohibition.

The following committeemen were elected: Rules—B. H. Sommerville; Resolutions—T. D. Davis; Permanent Organization—B. S. Sanford. Sanford was elected chairman.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE.**

The New Hampshire delegation met in Newcomb Hall Monday afternoon and decided to support John W. Weeks for the presidential nomination. The delegation urges greater preparedness, favors national prohibition, but is unalterably opposed to the proposed suffrage plank.

The committeemen elected are as follows: Permanent Organization—E. S. Smith; Rules and Order of Business—J. E. Aydelotte; Credentials—W. R. Campbell; Resolutions and Platform—A. C. Slemp.

**NEW JERSEY.**

The New Jersey delegation will support Hughes when the convention assembles and the various candidates are put forth for election. At a meeting, over which H. F. Dorgeval presided, the Jersey Republicans did not consider the various points in the platform, but it is probable that they will support the suffrage plank in the platform.

The following committeemen were elected: Permanent Organization—G. D. Richards; Rules and Order of Business—J. Farrar; Credentials—T. R. Coulter; Resolutions and Platform—H. F. Dorgeval.

The New Jersey delegation will take an active part on the convention floor.

**NEW MEXICO.**

New Mexico is unanimously in favor of the candidacy of Elihu Root of New York. The three votes of the

border state will be cast for the New Yorker and will insist that preparedness, as an issue, be raised.

The chairman, E. S. McCord will sit on the Rules and Order of Business committee, while the other committeemen are: Permanent Organization—S. S. Dickson; Resolutions and Platform—A. E. Lusk; Credentials—S. S. Dickson.

**NEW YORK.**

New York, with her populous delegation, will be watched with interest in the approaching convention. Though it is not absolutely certain, it would seem that the New York delegation is inclined to support Justice Hughes for the nomination. Root will get consideration in some quarters, it is rumored.

The following men will represent New York on the committees: Platform—Morris Masinter; Rules—E. P. Anderson; Credentials—Donald Utt; Permanent Organization—Bill Yancey.

The delegation is reported as against woman suffrage and prohibition.

**NORTH CAROLINA.**

The Tarheel delegation could not reach a decision as to which candidate should be favored, but it reported against woman suffrage and for national prohibition as a party issue.

The committeemen are: Rules—L. T. White; Permanent Organization—W. C. Wells; Platform—J. P. Manning; Credentials—R. C. Cole.

**NORTH DAKOTA.**

North Dakota's five delegates will journey to the convention without instructions as to the party standard bearer. However the delegation is opposed to both equal suffrage and national prohibition.

The committeemen are: Platform—W. W. Sager; Rules and Order—L. J. Arnold; Credentials—J. L. Bate; Permanent Organization—J. S. Stump.

**OREGON.**

The Oregon delegates will support LaFollette in the convention. As to suffrage and prohibition the delegation's representative on the platform committee will go uninstructed.

The delegation will be represented by R. R. Kane on the Resolutions and platform committee; F. D. Coe; Permanent Organization—P. E. Chappell; Rules and Order of Business—G. T. Offenhausser; Credentials—

**PENNSYLVANIA.**

The Pennsylvania delegation met in Newcomb Hall Monday afternoon. The delegation decided to support Elihu Root for the nomination. This delegation will be the second largest on the floor of the convention. Since Mr. Root is considered by many to be the candidate of the "standpatter" wing of the Republican party, the Pennsylvania delegation went on record as favoring his nomination.

At this meeting the following committeemen were chosen: Platform—D. A. Falk; Rules—C. M. Smith; Credentials—G. M. Hearne; Permanent Organization—C. E. McKenry.

**RHODE ISLAND.**

The little delegation from Rhode Island will probably go to the convention without instructions. Some are reported as inclining toward John W. Weeks.

The committeemen are: Permanent

Organization—E. D. Campbell; Rules and Order—C. F. Campbell; Credentials—C. W. Carter; Resolutions and Platform—J. F. Walter.

**SOUTH CAROLINA.**

There will be "no pussy footing" for South Carolina. The Carolinians have decided for Theodore Roosevelt for the nomination. Advocacy has been made of prohibition, preparedness, the budget system, but not for woman suffrage.

The committeemen are: Platform—T. M. Stubbs; Rules—R. W. Hurst; Credentials—L. W. Nock; Permanent Organization—S. D. Lee.

**TEXAS.**

The Texas following of the G. O. P. will send an uninstructed delegation to the Republican convention, and there decide as to which man is the most capable leader. On the suffrage proposition, the delegation has an open mind, but it is reported that it will not listen to a prohibition plank in the platform.

On the various committees, Texas will be represented by the following: Resolutions and Platform—J. G. Glass; Rules and Order of Business—B. D. Bryan; Permanent Organization—T. H. Pratt; Credentials—W. H. Madden. J. G. Glass will be chairman of the Texas contingent.

**TENNESSEE.**

Tennessee will spring a surprise. This progressive delegation reached the conclusion to present the name of Governor Hooper for consideration as the nominee of the Republican party. On the first ballot, Tennessee's ten votes will be cast for the governor of the Southern state. On the second, a shift will be made to the standard of Hughes.

The Volunteers will espouse the cause of national prohibition but have determined to deny the ballot to women.

The committeemen appointed are: Platform—R. N. Latture; Credentials—Sim Christy; Permanent Organization—E. B. Magers; Rules—Homer Powell.

**UTAH.**

The Utah delegation met in Clovis Moomaw's office shortly after eight o'clock Monday night with the entire membership present. Fred M. Davis was elected chairman of the delegation and the following men will represent Utah on the four committees: Permanent Organization—G. S. Watson; Rules and Order of Business—H. A. Jones; Credentials—G. T. Madison; Resolutions and Platform—F. M. Davis.

**VERMONT.**

The Delegates from the far north state have not yet decided whom they will support for the presidential nomination, but will probably go for Weeks. The other issues also remain undecided.

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