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EXPECT 'DRY' PLANK IN G. O. P. PLATFORM

Upstate Leaders Confer and Discuss National Prohibition Amendment

CHAIRMAN CROW HERE

The national prohibition amendment occupies the middle of the stage today in the biggest Republican State political conference held here for the coming campaign. A score of upstate leaders are participating and every man admitted the disposition of the amendment in the one big problem of the party.

All admit it will be necessary to meet the issue squarely and a majority of the leaders say they believe the situation is rapidly progressing toward a prohibition plank in the platform. It is probable, however, the issue will not be disposed of before the primaries as a party matter. The suggestion of letting every candidate stand on his own seems to be the most favored. The platform it is proposed, will be drafted after the party has nominated its candidates. This would put it up in every candidate to stand on his own feet.

William E. Crow, of Uniontown, chairman of the Republican State committee, arrived unexpectedly. He said that "the prohibition issue is a matter of national importance and he would have to sound out the sentiment of the leaders throughout the State before he would be able to state whether the amendment will have a place in the platform of the Republicans or not."

United States Senator Boies Penrose arrived in Philadelphia about noon and immediately went into conference with the State leaders.

Among those who have arrived in addition to Mr. Crow, are Max G. Loebl, of Pittsburgh; former Mayor Joseph C. Armstrong, Pittsburgh; W. Harry Baker, of Harrisburg, secretary of the Senate and secretary of the Republican State committee; former Senator C. Jamison, of Pittsburgh; William B. Leib, of Pottsville; James F. Woodward, of McKeesport, chairman of the Appropriation Committee of the House and candidate for Secretary of Internal Affairs; A. E. Sisson, of Erie, former Auditor General and former State Senator; former Judge W. E. Rice, of Warren, and William H. Callahan, chief clerk of the Senate and publicity man for the Republican State committee.

Robert P. Haugood, of Braddock, mentioned as a candidate for the Governorship, was a late arrival today and is in the general conference.

Representatives of the Town Meeting party in thirty-five of the forty-eight wards were present at a meeting of the party's city committee at the Walton Hotel last night. In the course of the meeting the members discussed the possibility of putting a ticket in the field for all seats in Congress and in the State Senate and House, and it was said after the meeting that the plan did not meet with much favor. The members apparently will favor only putting a ticket in the field for the seats in this city. The committee, however, agreed that it might be possible to make some deal with the Penrose forces whereby independents could be run, unopposed by Penrose candidates, in some sections of the State.

Another point agreed upon was with respect to the candidacy of Senator William C. Sprout for the Republican nomination for Governor. The members favor withholding endorsement and Town Meeting support from Senator Sprout unless he recognizes the party.

Those present at last night's meeting asserted that Senator Vane will not be able to carry out his threat to invade the Town Meeting party workers and voters from voting as Republicans at the primary election next May. Senator Vane, in statements and addresses, had declared that the Town Meeting party people, from Senator Penrose down, have forfeited their right to vote at the primary because they bolted the Republican party.

George W. Cole, city chairman, presided at the meeting, which was addressed by Thomas F. Armstrong, who was the fusion candidate for Recorder of Taxes last November; John C. Winston, chairman of the Committee of Seventy; former Director George D. Porter; Max Hirschberg, Hugh McWilliam, Arthur C. Lea, John C. Winston, Hugh J. McCaffrey and John Walton. The Town Meeting party of the Forty-fifth Ward will open its campaign for the coming election at the meeting to be held tonight at Tongue's Hall, Amber street and Allegheny avenue.

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PROHIBITION FIGHT IN JERSEY ASSEMBLY

Richards Bill for Referendum on Federal Amendment to Enliven Closing Hours

SESSION ENDS TONIGHT

Mayor Donnelly Makes Apology to House for Attack Upon Assemblyman Vreeland

PRENTON, Feb. 28.—Both houses of the New Jersey Legislature are closing through heavy sessions today in order to complete their work for final adjournment tonight. The closing hours will be enlivened by a fight in the House on Senator Richards' bill for a referendum on the proposed Federal prohibition amendment, which was put through the Senate last night after a caucus of the majority. The Anti-Saloon League forces are preparing to do their utmost to force the bill through in lieu of a resolution ratifying the amendment, which could not muster enough votes for passage. Efforts will be made by those opposing prohibition to shove the Richards bill and in the last-minute rush they are hoping it may not come up.

A precedent was established in the House of Assembly this afternoon when, after that body had been placed under call and while galleries and floor were filled with interested persons of all classes, Mayor Frederick W. Donnelly, of this city, a close friend of J. Hampton Moore, and supporter of the deeper Delaware project, stood before Speaker Wolverton and offered an apology for having insulted and assaulted Assemblyman Jack J. Vreeland, of Morris County. As a result of the latter's failure as chairman of a House committee to report favorably a bill for the sale of Trenton park lands, the attack occurred in the grill room of the Trenton House. Donnelly read the apology from a slip of paper and then retired. There was no comment. A motion to enter the apology on the records of the House on the part of Mayor Donnelly, of Union County, was adopted, but the grimaces of the faces of the Assemblymen indicated that they were not accepting it.

A big fight put up in the Senate this afternoon to down the "dope" habit in this State, where it is said there are at least 25,000 addicts, who spend at the rate of a dollar a day for heroin and such opiates, was lost by the defeat of a bill that would eliminate sale of heroin, morphine, laudanum, etc. It was claimed by Senator Pflieger, of 125-126, that before the bill could be controlled many physicians would have to be penalized, while the sale of many potent medicines would have to be stopped.

The continued pollution of the Delaware River by the town of Philadelphia and consequent injury to municipalities as far south as Philadelphia will be abated by the passage of a bill in the Senate compelling the first-named municipality to build a sewage disposal plant and a proper sewage system. Philadelphia has sought taking action of this kind for the last four or five years. The House this afternoon adopted a concurrent resolution providing for investigation in South Jersey and other cities of the necessity for creation of juvenile courts.

TWO YOUTHS ARRESTED FOR ROBBERY HOMES

Property Stolen in West Philadelphia Recovered After They Confess Several Robberies

With the arrest of George Allen, eighteen years old, Wendle street near Allegheny avenue, and Thomas Ward, eighteen years old, Cross street near Horner, the police of the Thirty-second street and Woodland avenues station believe they have a young man responsible for a series of house robberies which have terrorized West Philadelphia during the last six weeks. These youths were held today without bail for court by Magistrate Harshbarger at the station named. Through their confessions goods and money to the value of more than \$375 have been recovered. Allen was arrested in a pawnshop in the Forty-second police district while he was in the act of trying to pawn a gold watch. He implicated Ward, whose arrest immediately followed. In their confessions the youths named the following West Philadelphia residences as having been visited by them, stating that they "did not remember the others": Charles Landgren, 123 North Peach street; Clark Boyd, 211 North Avondale street; and William Dizon, 213 North Gross street. In every case the robberies were committed during the temporary absence of the occupants. It is expected that additional valuables will be recovered and the investigation of the case continues.

EDWARD W. LAFFERTY DIES

Former Gloucester City Councils President Succumbs at Home

Edward W. Lafferty, seventy-three years old, former president of the Gloucester City Councils, died early today at his home in that town. Stomach trouble was the cause of death. His widow and two sons survive. For thirty-five years Mr. Lafferty had worked on the Reading and Delaware ferries on the Delaware, retiring several years ago. He served three terms in Councils at Gloucester and two terms on the Board of Education.

Cider Made Them Ill

After imbibing freely of cider, five railroad men were taken violently ill in the E. B. terminal yard at Camden, but recovered quickly, all but Alfred L. Appley, forty-two years old, of 713 Lane street. He was hurried to the Cooper Hospital, where the doctors said he was suffering from metallic poisoning.

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ROBERT CARTER Cartoonist of the Philadelphia Press, who died today at the Samaritan Hospital from heart disease.

ROBT. CARTER, NOTED CARTOONIST, IS DEAD

Artist Expires Suddenly in Samaritan Hospital—Spent Last Days on the Press

Robert Carter, the famous cartoonist of the Press, died suddenly early this morning at the Samaritan Hospital of arterial sclerosis. He was stricken late last night at his home, 625 Spruce street, and was removed to the hospital, where he died at 8 o'clock this morning.

Mr. Carter was forty-four years old and had long been rated as one of the best cartoonists in this country. His best-known work was on the New York American, where for years he drew the daily half-page cartoons illustrating Arthur Brisbane's editorials. He later went to the New York Sun and then came to the Philadelphia Press about a year ago. His last cartoon, "Please Pass Something," appeared in the Press this morning, being drawn yesterday afternoon just before he left for home.

Mr. Carter started his career in Chicago, where for some years he drew illustrations for many famous murder trials. After a brief time on west coast papers, he went to New York and joined the staff of the American, where his Brisbane cartoons made him famous. He leaves a brother, a patent attorney, in Chicago, who was summoned here on hospital some weeks ago for stomach trouble, his death was a great shock and surprise to his associates in this city.

Arrangements for the funeral will not be made until his brother arrives.

Policeman G. B. Wilkinson Dies

George B. Wilkinson, twenty-four years old, a policeman of the East 13th and Locust station house, died today at his home, 2673 Armitage street. He had been ill three weeks with stomach trouble. Wilkinson, who was appointed on the force on May 8, 1916, leaves a widow and a daughter. He will be buried on Wednesday.

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AMERICA MUST INSTRUCT ALIENS, NATIONAL EDUCATORS ARE TOLD

"Democracy's Day" at Convention Is Devoted to Discussion of Vital Problems Calling for Federal and State Co-ordination

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Feb. 28.—This was democracy's day at the National Education Association meeting here.

The whole trend of the convention, which has been toward the resounding of the educational system of America from the autocratic control of a few top-wags, culminated today at a significant session today, when plans to wipe out the constitution of the association's constitution and to make every teacher in every schoolhouse in every village, town or city, an integral factor in the ruling body, were discussed.

At the same time, at another session equally significant, broad plans to solve the pressing immigration problems were receiving the attention of the educators. The plan for denaturalization of the National Educational Association, which necessitates vital changes in the laws, sweep away the State's rights idea in education and annihilate all of the state associations with the national body.

"The idea underlying this," Dr. W. B. Owen, of Chicago, said in presenting the plan, "is that every teacher in every school should have her voice heard and be a part of the great national body, and instead of trustees and boards being at the conference to dominate every teacher's association will be the country will be at the top and the trustees and boards merely their agencies."

The plans represent two and a half years' work on the part of a specially appointed committee, of which Robert Owen is the chairman. After a heated discussion, in which the conservatives endeavored to substitute a less sweeping change in the bylaws, the convention went on record as recommending the spirit of the change and referred action until the general convention at Pittsburgh in the spring.

In adoption, which is predicted by the leaders here, will mean that the strength of the national association will be numerically increased about 200,000, making it one of the most powerful agencies in point of the influence to be wielded on legislation in the country. It will mean further that the influence of the women of the country will be numerically extended, since women virtually dominate the elementary and secondary educational systems.

Resolutions adopted unanimously at the same meeting emphasize the feeling among educators that the time has come to coordinate state and Federal educational work. Outstanding points in the resolutions were:

Favorable consideration of the Government's policy of education, stressing the recommendation that the schools be kept at full strength during the war. The Americanization of the immigrant through education.

The patriotic support of the Red Cross and war saving stamp campaign in the schools. Comprehensive health and physical education with no mention of military training.

An amendment to the Smith-Hughes vocational law recently passed with State and Federal officers co-operating in the administration of the law. Urgent need of large appropriations to increase salaries so that efficient teachers can be retained in the schools.

PENNSYLVANIA'S PROBLEM

The pressing need for the education of the immigrant was forcibly expressed by Nathan C. Schaefer, of Harrisburg, Pa., state Superintendent of Public Instruction, who declared that the Keystone State's labor problem, due to the "shiftless negro" who was imported from the South, and the uneducated immigrant from southern and southeast-

MAYOR AGAIN SEEKS DELAY IN HIS TRIAL

Petitions for Bill of Particulars in Suit for Misdemeanor in Office

Another step to delay his trial was taken today by Mayor Thomas E. Smith when he filed a petition asking for a bill of particulars in the Commonwealth's prosecution against him for misdemeanor in office and contempt of court in failing to produce before Judge in the Municipal court, papers that were demanded of him by the court in connection with the clearing up of the Fifth Ward trouble.

Since the Mayor was held for trial last October he has made repeated efforts to delay the trial. He was particularly successful when Judge Martin, on a writ of habeas corpus which asked for the dismissal of all the charges, eliminated the most serious of the alleged offenses and confined the prosecution to misdemeanor in office and contempt of court.

Later the Mayor, through his counsel, asked that his case be tried separately from his co-defendants, who are Heintzsch, Vane leader of the Fifth Ward; Lieutenant Bennett, of the Third and the Lanesey streets station, and five policemen. This motion was granted by Judge Wessel in Quarter session Court.

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