

LOVESTONE TELLS OF NOISIEST JACKASS SESSION WHEN SMITH GOT MORE NOISE THAN OILY MAC

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MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, New York, June 27.—"Oil," "Oil" was the cry which drowned out the effort of Governor Sweet of Colorado to make the seconding speech for the nomination of McAdoo.

For the first time the galleries were packed. All was in preparation for a huge Smith demonstration. As Governor Sweet attempted to laud McAdoo's work in the Federal Reserve System, as he tried to label his candidate "a forward-looking progressive, blown-in-the-bottle Democrat," the galleries gushed oil. It was only the stern admonition of Chairman Walsh that enabled Sweet to finish his address.

Smith Nominated.

The "thrill" of the day came when Connecticut yielded to New York. The galleries were on hand. As Franklin D. Roosevelt rose to make the nominating speech for Al Smith the balconies and galleries cheered to beat the band. And for the first time the jazz of the band was lost in the noise of the crowd. The gang and the gong were on hand. The eastern and northern industrial delegations were astir.

Mr. Roosevelt went on to picture Smith as a "progressive," as a friend of labor, as an enemy of no class, as a champion of honest business regardless of size. His address was repeatedly punctuated with the expected applause that was certainly well arranged for.

Hell Let Loose.

When Roosevelt announced Smith's name hell was let loose. Pandemonium reigned supreme. The northern, middle Atlantic and eastern capitalist Democrats now had their inning. Smith's main strength lies in the big industrial centers, where the Democratic machines have considerable strength. Thus New York, Massachusetts, Illinois and Pennsylvania are Smith strongholds. Here the Democratic "Old Guard," or what is left of it, is found. Tammany of New York and Boss Brennan of Illinois are Smith's towering pillars of support.

And the character of the demonstration in behalf of Smith clearly showed its source. All the earmarks of the maneuvers and tactics employed by the notorious city ward heelers, by the graft-dripping gang of the lobby halls, were brought into ugly relief in the performance.

New York, New Jersey, Illinois, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Vermont, Connecticut and Wisconsin were the most vigorous marchers. But Idaho, Utah, Colorado, Washington, Oregon and the Solid South remained adamant. They appeared like a marooned phalanx. Their rows rolled back the Smith onslaught. They were glued to their seats. Wave after wave of Smith applause and noise were beaten back by the crew from the states south of the Mason and Dixon line where the New York Governor has perhaps less than a dozen votes in all.

It was illuminating to note that Hawaii, Alaska and the Philippines joined in the Smith parade. The delegation from these territories have been very generous to everybody so far. They have participated in all parades, demonstrations and outbursts.

Smith's powerful clique certainly did heed the plea made in the opening prayer of Rev. Caleb Moor, "Give us this day our daily bread."

With noise as a measure, the hired hell-raisers of the Smith junta surely earned their bread for the day. Bugles shrieked; sirens were at full blast. Drums were bombarding. The mobs were howling. The band played, "On the Sidewalks of New York" to loud local color. Newsboys were rushed to the platform to remind the crowd of a stage Smith is said to have passed then in his life. It seemed as if the entire five department of New York had been called out to put out the flames of presidential hopes smoldering in the breasts of McAdoo and the dark horses.

For seventy-five minutes the Garden was a seething mass. Outside the Tammany henchmen did their bit. New York took on the garb it were on Armistice Day. Then Anna Case, Metropolitan Opera prima donna took a hand in the matter to strike a different keynote. She did not have much success in inspiring the crowd to sing the "Star Spangled Banner."

The Smith forces resumed their attempt to stampede the convention as soon as Miss Case wound up.

MILLIONAIRES MEETING WITH JACKASS BOSSES TO CHOOSE CANDIDATE

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MADISON SQUARE GARDEN, June 27.—Smith beat McAdoo in the contest of noise, but he can't win the nomination. Most of his noise came from non-delegates in the packed galleries.

Neither will McAdoo win. Odds are turning heavily against him.

Carter Glass is now trotting better than any of the dark horses. But special secret conferences of big bosses and millionaire democrats now in session will settle it.

SECOND FARRELL TRIAL OPENS IN KLANNISH MERCER

Steel Worker Faces Prejudiced Judge

MERCER, Pa., June 27.—The trial of the second Farrell steel worker for alleged violation of the Pennsylvania sedition law, scheduled to begin Tuesday, June 24, got underway Wednesday afternoon. County Prosecutor Rickard of Mercer appeared for the commonwealth and Attorney I. E. Ferguson of Chicago, Ill., for the defense.

Upon opening of court this afternoon Attorney Ferguson petitioned the court to quash the indictment against the defendant, Andy Kovacovich, for reason of insufficient charges in his indictment. The court overruled the motion.

Deny Change in Venue.

The defense followed this up by petitioning the court for a change in venue, by reason of community prejudice existing against the defendant. The court overruled this petition and held that most of the jurors had heard but little about the case and that it was his belief that the defendant would receive a fair trial before a Mercer county jury.

Following the courts overruling of the two motions the selection of a jury took up the remainder of the opening session until adjournment time at 5:30 p. m. In all 33 jurors were examined before the jury boxes were filled. Seven jurors were excused for admitting their inability to give the defendant a fair and honest trial by reason of their prejudice against him by reason of his foreign birth or other reasons. Three jurors were excused for defective hearing. The defense used its peremptory challenges before the jury was completed.

Jury Chosen.

The jury selected to hear the case of Andy Kovacovich consists of Anna Kreiddle, housewife; Nellie Hittle, housewife; Sylvester Cole, farmer; D. M. Hadley, retired; F. M. Stull, farmer; Mark R. Cannon, farmer; Everett C. Benner, farmer; Katherine Wagner, housewife; Samuel G. Myer, farmer; Albert T. Elliot, farmer; Charles A. Eakin, oil producer, and Adam Haggarty, farmer.

The motion for a new trial in the case of the first convicted steel worker, Tony Kovacovich, will be heard before Judge McLaughry in September, according to a statement issued to the DAILY WORKER by Attorney Ferguson, who will argue the motion.

Killed Gathering Coal.

WAWAKA, Ind., June 27.—Mrs. Thomas Grubb was struck and killed by a New York Central train while picking up coal on the railroad tracks here today. She leaves two young children.