

MOOSE CONVENTION MAY NAME WILSON

**Second Progressive National
Gathering Will Meet at
Chicago Aug. 5.**

LOOK TO COLBY TO LEAD

**Insurgents Get Democratic Assur-
ances That They Will Have No
Reason to Regret Flop.**

With the Progressive State organiza-
tion shattered as a result of develop-
ments at the stormy meeting of the State
Committee in Syracuse last Saturday,
the Bull Moose leaders now are trying
to save the pieces. Everything indicates
that from now on the two Progressive
factions will travel along different
routes.

The insurgent element which was suc-
cessful at the Syracuse meeting to the
extent that they managed to prevent an
indorsement of Hughes is making prep-
arations for a second Bull Moose Na-
tional Convention in Chicago on Aug. 5,
the fourth anniversary of the Progres-
sive Party's birth.

A conference of Progressive leaders
from all parts of the country is sched-
uled for an Eastern city some day this
week. The date and place have not as
yet been definitely decided upon. At this
preliminary conference an inventory will
be taken of the Progressive insurgent
strength and plans laid definitely for
the proposed convention.

There is little likelihood that the con-
vention will put a third ticket in the
field by providing some substitute
candidate for President in the place of
Colonel Roosevelt. The hat of John M.
Parker of Louisiana, Bull Moose candi-
date for Vice President, is still in the
ring, although strong pressure has been
brought to bear from influential Pro-
gressives who follow the Perkins
leadership in an effort to have him
withdraw his name as a candidate.

Wilson May Get Insurgent Moose.

Bainbridge Colby, who has been most
pronounced in his opposition to the
proposal for Progressive indorsement of
the Republican nominee, and who is
looked to by Progressive insurgents in
all parts of the country as a probable
leader in any concerted action of nation-
wide scope that may be decided upon
by the anti-Perkins element in the
party, has told his friends that he re-
gards a third ticket this year as utterly
impracticable. In Democratic circles
there is a joyful expectation that the
insurgent Progressives may be induced
to throw their solid support to Presi-
dent Wilson.

Mr. Colby said yesterday that the
claim of William H. Hotchkiss and other
Bull Moose leaders in favor of a Hughes
indorsement—that they had a sufficient
number of votes to put their program
through—was preposterous.

"The most amusing thing about the
whole meeting," said Mr. Colby, "was
the manner in which the Perkins votes
flew out of the window. At 8 o'clock
in the morning the Perkins people were
arrogant, by noon they became civil, at
3 o'clock in the afternoon they were
solicitous. At 9 o'clock in the evening
they called it a day and fled the town.

"The meeting in Syracuse was not
even good sport. It was like shooting
mackerel in a barrel. The wreckers of
our party in their zeal to show loyalty
to their new party have shown the speed
of renegades and have displayed such
conspicuous aptitude at disloyalty to
their own party that it would not be
surprising if the Chicago conference is
not as well attended as it should be."

Mr. Colby announced that he was pre-
paring to go to Chicago for the new
Bull Moose Convention, and that prior
to that affair the New York State Pro-
gressive leaders of the anti-Perkins
faction would consult with the insurgent
Bull Moose leaders from other States
where the banner of revolt has been
raised against the Perkins program.

New Convention Anti-Hughes.

One Progressive leader said yesterday
that while at first the Chicago con-
ference had been suggested largely for
sentimental reasons and with a view of
giving the party launched amid such a
burst of patriotic fervor four years ago
decent burial on the anniversary of its
birth, latter day developments had
wrought a change in the situation and
vested the prospective Bull Moose
gathering at Chicago with much more
importance. This leader held a Wilson
indorsement by the Progressive in-
surgents when they meet in Chicago
not at all improbable, and added that
assurances had been received from
Democratic quarters that Progressives
turning to Wilson would have no reason
to regret their action.

Walter A. Johnson, Chairman of the
Progressive State Committee, said yes-
terday that he would call a conference
of Progressive leaders in this State for
some day late this week, to determine
upon some future course of action.

"I would have called it earlier, but I
thought it best to give them a chance
to cool off after the Syracuse meeting
before bringing them together," he said.

Chairman Johnson was very anxious
to have it made clear that he had nothing
to do with the calling in of the po-
lice during the turmoil at the Syracuse
meeting.

"I think it was the local Police De-
partment which decided that the pre-
sence of policemen was necessary," said
Mr. Johnson.

Expect 100 to Sign Round Robin.

Progressive leaders who were com-
mitted to the plan of having Hughes in-
dorsed by the Progressives expect to
make up for their failure last Saturday
by circulating a petition indorsing his
candidacy among the enrolled Pro-
gressives throughout the State.

George W. Perkins, who is said to be
the proponent of this plan, has told his
friends that he fully expects to receive
the signatures of at least 100 of the 150
members of the State Committee.

A recent canvass of the Progressives
in New York City, conducted by Au-
gust F. Schwarzer, Progressive leader
of the Bronx, showed 72 per cent. of all
the Progressives in the city for Mr.
Hughes for President to 21.53 per cent.
for Wilson. Up-State Progressive lead-
ers declare the percentage runs as high
as 80 for Hughes.

John Robert Taylor, one of the Pro-
gressive leaders in Kings, claimed credit
yesterday for having scared the Pro-
gressive leaders of the Hughes faction
into moving for an adjournment of the
State Committee meeting before any
action could be taken on the Ransom
resolution indorsing Mr. Hughes. Ac-
cording to Mr. Taylor a resolution pre-
pared by him calling upon the Progres-
sive State Committee to carry out forth-
with the function devolving upon it un-
der the election law of designating Pro-
gressive Electors pledged to support
John M. Parker for Vice President did
the trick.

Mr. Taylor said he had shown his
resolution to Mr. Hotchkiss, Judge Wil-
liam L. Ransom, and other leaders of
the Hughes faction in the recess pre-
ceding the final session and proposed
that it, together with the Ransom res-
olution indorsing Hughes and the mid-
dle-of-the-road resolution introduced by
John J. O'Connell, Chairman of the New
York County Progressive Committee,
should be read at the night session and
the State Committee be asked to decide
which of the three resolutions should be
taken up for action first.

Whitman in Moose Primary.

"It was fear that the resolution pro-
viding for the immediate nomination of
Parker Electors would prevail that pre-
cluded the adoption of this plan of
procedure and led to the precipitate ad-
journment since die," said Mr. Taylor.
"If the result of the State Committee
meeting should be that the Progressives
will not name any Electors for John M.
Parker in this State, that fact will turn
from Hughes many men who may have
been friendly toward his candidacy be-
fore. These men, in view of the high-
handed action of the Hughes faction,
will undoubtedly turn to Wilson if the
Progressive Party fails to supply a
means for supporting at the polls on
Election Day the candidacy of John M.

Parker, named by unanimous vote in the
Progressive National Convention for
Vice President."

Petitions to give Judge Samuel Sea-
bury of the Court of Appeals a place
on the Progressive primary ballot as a
candidate for the gubernatorial nom-
ination are already being circulated by
a group of Progressives. It was stated
yesterday that an invitation might be
extended within a few days by Hughes
Progressives to Governor Whitman to
enter the Bull Moose primaries as a
rival candidate for the nomination.