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REGULAR ORDER OF NOMINATIONS IS REVERSED.

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Populist Convention Becomes a Mob of Fagged-Out Wranglers—Senator Stewart Gayed—Details of the Day.

St. Louis, July 24.—Thomas E. Watson of Georgia, who was a member of the Fifty-second congress, and who in the Fifty-third and Fifty-fourth congresses unsuccessfully contested Colonel Black's seat, was nominated for vice president by the Populist convention on the first ballot, shortly after midnight. There were five other candidates. S. W. Mann Page of Virginia, A. L. Mimms of Tennessee, Congressman Skinner of North Carolina and Colonel Burkitt of Mississippi.

The nomination was made unanimous before the result of the roll call was announced. Mr. Bryan sent word to his supporters that he would not accept a nomination at the hands of the convention under those circumstances. He will stand loyally by his running mate.

BRYAN MEN DITCHED.

The opposition to Sewall in the Populist convention practically swamped the Bryan forces at today's session of the convention by making it impossible to prevent a division of the Chicago ticket. The leaders were powerless to check the strong feeling against the Chicago ticket. The Bryan forces carried the day in the committee on resolutions, in framing a comparatively moderate platform, which they afterwards got through the convention with ease. Their strategy was carefully displayed at other points. But the undercurrent of feeling against Sewall was fatal to him.

It was a sunken ditch, unmarked upon the battlefield, which, clutching with its muddy fingers at the Bryan forces, bore down Napoleon and his eagles at Waterloo. Today the ditch was in open view. From the beginning it was gaped like a chasm athwart the path of the Bryan managers. In vain they attempted to bridge it.

SOUTHERN SHREWDRINESS.

Moreover, today, for the first time, the middle-of-the-road element displayed generalship worthy of the name. Regarding the fact that all hope of defeating Bryan and nominating Sewall was abandoned, they concentrated all their efforts against Sewall. They did more. They devised a cunning scheme by which the convention was forced to nominate the vice president before the southern men were able to vote in favor of a Populist candidate for vice president and uncover them in advance in the face of the Bryan forces. The Bryan forces were first nominated by the convention, and then the southern men were able to vote in favor of a Populist candidate for vice president and uncover them in advance in the face of the Bryan forces.

WON'T RUN WITHOUT SEWALL.

Tom Patterson of Colorado, who had possession of the telegram announcing Bryan's position, at midnight still declared that he would not accept a nomination unless Sewall was also nominated. The convention for five hours tonight listened to the fact. Tom Watson of Georgia, Congressman Skinner of North Carolina, Mississippi, and Mann Page of Virginia, were nominated. About 11 o'clock the Bryan men decided to ending the session upon the convention. Senator Stewart of Nevada was selected to make the announcement, coupled with a plea for uniting the silver forces, but the anti-Sewall crowd were in so many places that the honorable senator and after a hurried consultation, the leaders decided not to permit the announcement to be made at that time. It seems undoubtedly true, however, that Bryan will not accept

the presidential nomination unless Sewall is also nominated.

DAY WAS SLIGHTLY CHILLY

Insomuch that the Bryan Men Get Dejectedly.

St. Louis, Mo., July 24.—The disgruntled condition of the middle-of-the-road forces last evening and their failure to perfect any arrangement for a fight in the convention indicated a complete sweep today by the Bryan forces. The leaders were confident this morning that they would be able to secure the endorsement of the convention for Sewall, as well as Bryan.

The anti-Bryan men appeared to be completely demoralized by their defeat yesterday. They took it bitterly, but had mapped out a new program with the idea of recovering their lost ground. This morning, after a very stormy session, they essayed a call of states to assemble for an attempt to amend the platform and to elect a national committee. While it may be willing to support Bryan, if he is the choice of this convention, when the folly of the moment has passed away we may want to clothe the skeleton with a new suit. He wanted the national committee to select its chairman. The middle-of-the-roaders cheered Donnelly lustily, and an Alabama delegate cried out that the convention should not disturb the regular order of things, those states would vote for an "honest Populist" for vice president.

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"I'll not sit down," repeated Judge Green fiercely, "until I get ready."

THEY'RE AFTER SEWALL.

When he completed his speech Congressman Howard of Alabama, one of the straight-outside crowd, was in the man of enormous stature, and swarthy, with raven black hair that falls to his shoulders, and when he spoke today his eyes flashed and his cheeks burned. He was greatly aroused. He took a shot at Senator Allen, suggesting that "any man who wore a delegate badge was influenced by the use of money." He advocated taking up the report, section by section.

"This statement was greeted with many cries of "no" and jeers while his faction of the convention howled with delight. Howard pleaded for the nomination of a vice president first in the interest of the party, and then for the nomination of a vice president. He pleaded with the majority in pathetic tones to concede this much to the southern states and the minority of the convention. He pleaded with the majority in pathetic tones to concede this much to the southern states and the minority of the convention.

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not speak for the delegation. A row of ten minutes followed on parliamentary status. Some very novel parliamentary ideas were advanced. The table was at last straightened out and the convention went back and took up the report section by section. Another ten minutes was consumed before the contested section of the report was reached.

THE REGULAR THING.

Ignatius Donnelly of Minnesota proposed against the proposition reported from the committee on rules to allow the candidate to select the national chairman. "It may be," said he passionately, "that when this convention adjourns there will be a national committee. While I may be willing to support Bryan, if he is the choice of this convention, when the folly of the moment has passed away we may want to clothe the skeleton with a new suit. He wanted the national committee to select its chairman. The middle-of-the-roaders cheered Donnelly lustily, and an Alabama delegate cried out that the convention should not disturb the regular order of things, those states would vote for an "honest Populist" for vice president.

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platform represented his views and he would maintain them as long as he had breath in his body. Senator Allen tried to calm him but the Rhode Island delegate grew more incensed. He waved his arms violently and for a moment it looked as if he intended to personally assault the chairman. Suddenly someone cried "Put him out," and several policemen came forward from the wings and hustled him down the steps. He was afterwards ejected from the hall.

PLATFORM ADOPTED.

On motion of Mr. Kelley of Kansas, the previous question was ordered. All the amendments were laid on the table and the platform as adopted by a majority of the committee, was adopted, with only a few cries of dissent. Some Nebraska delegates moved a recess until 8 o'clock. A Texas moved to amend the platform to read "We want to get through tonight," he yelled. "When we meet here again we will never adjourn no more till we are done. You fellows better get home now and eat a whole lot."

NOMINATIONS IN ORDER.

At 6:30 the convention re-assembled and Chairman Allen introduced Judge Jefferson as the only person who read the platform of the silver convention and a message about the nomination of Bryan and Sewall by it. The reading was repeatedly interrupted by delegates from various parts of the hall who raised the point of order that the regular order was nominations for vice president. Senator Allen overruled these points of order.

Many of the planks of the Silver party's platform were enthusiastically received but when action of the silver convention in nominating Bryan and Sewall was read, it was jeered by the middle of the road members, and on motion of a Texas delegate the proceedings of the silver convention were referred to the committee on resolutions.

SKINNER IS NAMED.

Nominations were then called for but the convention experienced a good deal of difficulty in getting under way, owing to a ruling made by the chair. When the parliamentary situation had been straightened out, Colonel Bowman, who had been taken off the floor by the adjournment of the convention in the afternoon, returned and placed in nomination Congressman Harry Skinner of North Carolina. Colonel Bowman looked like a New York stock broker in his getting under way, owing to a ruling made by the chair. When the parliamentary situation had been straightened out, Colonel Bowman, who had been taken off the floor by the adjournment of the convention in the afternoon, returned and placed in nomination Congressman Harry Skinner of North Carolina.

"Are you sincere," he cried, "I demand to know, as I am employed to carry the vote of the North Carolina delegation, but after the cries Mr. Skinner dramatically cast the number of votes of North Carolina for it, and against the Sewall crowd.

The announcement of the vote was received with a long and loud applause. The report of the minority was read, and was, of course, the signal for another enthusiastic anti-Bryan demonstration.

PLATFORM PRESENTED.

General J. B. Weaver, chairman of the committee on resolutions, was then at 3:10 recognized to read the platform of the convention. He prepared the reading by saying that the committee had had a protracted meeting and that while its proceedings had been somewhat irregular, they were in the main, of a most satisfactory character.

TWO PLANKS RE-READ.

When the Cuban plank was read, someone in the far away gallery shouted "Ames and many anti-slavery planks and hats were waved in manifestation of the convention's interest in the cause of the struggling islanders. At the request of Cyclone Davis, this plank of the platform was read a second time. Davis remarked, in explanation of this request, that there were many hundreds who had not heard the first reading.

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the progress of his talk. Judge Dozier, also from Kansas, seconded Watson's nomination on behalf of a part of the Kansas delegation. He also was roundly applauded by the southern delegates. Mr. Dozier expressed the belief that Mr. Sewall would withdraw. This sentiment was received with cries of "good."

MIMMS OF TENNESSEE.

Captain Burnham of Tennessee nominated Hon. A. L. Mimms of Tennessee. He spoke very earnestly. "We offer Mr. Sewall," he said, "Mr. Pence tells us it is no objection to Mr. Sewall that he is a millionaire. I do not know whether he is a millionaire or a bankrupt, but I believe he is a millionaire. The expression did not elicit any approving demonstration. He declared it to be a foregone conclusion that Bryan should be nominated, with a Populist as a vice-president. He seconded the nomination of Bryan and Sewall, and was applauded, as was the statement that the "Democratic party had become a bankrupt, with the devil as a receiver." He said that he was a professor of state-law and as a man whose heart was ever beating for humanity. He was almost a counterpart of William J. Bryan.

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