

"L. O. BROWNE" SIXTEEN DEAD REBUFFED TWICE IN TRAIN WRECK

MAN ACQUITTED OF BRIBERY IS SCORPED BY DEMOCRATS OF ILLINOIS.

ROCK ISLAND PASSENGER RUNS INTO CLOUDBURST NEAR KANSAS TOWN.

LORIMER MAN IGNORED THIRTEEN ARE INJURED

As Member of Resolutions Committee, Notorious Go-Between Is Not Allowed to Assert Himself and Very Name Causes Unpleasant Comment—Convention Happenings.

Severe Rainstorm Washes Away Thousand Feet of Deep Fill and Train Rushes Into Big Hole With Terrible Results—Heroism of Engineer Saves Many Lives.

East St. Louis, Ill., Sept. 23.—Lee O'Neil Browne, recently acquitted of bribery in connection with the election of United States Senator Lorimer, was refused recognition today on the floor of the Illinois democratic state convention here. As a member of the resolutions committee he was told by Roger C. Sullivan, national committeeman, not to assert himself.

Denver, Sept. 23.—Sixteen persons lost their lives and 13 others sustained more or less severe injuries in a wreck two miles east of Clayton, Kansas, early today, of westbound Rock Island passenger train No. 27, which was due in Denver at 8:25 o'clock this morning from Kansas City. The known dead:

- The Dead. F. PICKENPAUGH, Goodland, Kas., engineer. A. W. HUFFMAN, Kansas City, baggage man. J. W. USHER, Denver, conductor. WILLIAM MILLS, fireman. HERMAN MUELLER, Smith Center, Kas. JOHNS SLOOP, Boyle, Kas. W. E. SHIVELY, Agra, Kas. GILMAN M. YAMS, Fuller, Neb. The Injured. G. D. Brackon, line man, Goodland, Kas., arm injured. Mrs. H. F. Scott, Jennings, Kas., right arm broken; Victor Engle, Birmingham, Ala., bruised and cut, not serious; Mrs. T. H. Evans, Langton, Kas., head cut; John C. Igler, Stratton, Colo., head and face cut; D. Duges, no address, side cut; A. H. Davis, Blue Rapids, Kansas, left leg broken; Mrs. Anna Smith, Colorado Springs, Colo., head and chest cut; C. A. Smith, Colorado Springs, hands cut; Henry Ahlers, Meate, Mo., slight injury; H. A. Benson, Colorado Springs, Colo., slight; E. F. Murphy, passenger, Goodland, Kan., slight; F. L. Only, mail clerk, Burr Oak, Kan., slight.

In reading the list of members of the committee, the secretary read the name, L. O. Browne, a delegate asked: "Who is this L. O. Browne?" This question was ignored by the chair, and when the delegate insisted upon a reply, Browne arose, and cried: "If the gentleman wishes information I am the man to give it to him." He was not allowed to reply, and Congressman Henry T. Itainey, chairman, obtained order under difficulty.

Second Rebuff. The second rebuff came to Browne just as the convention adjourned after the adoption of the platform. With the motion for adjournment pending, Browne stood with his friends in the center of the hall, demanding recognition. He was ignored.

After the convention was brought to a close he made his way to the chair, and explained he wanted to say he could not approve of that part of the platform which referred to United States Senator Lorimer.

The democratic party, according to the platform, admitting that Senator Lorimer was elected by the votes of some of its party, does not assume that it has any political interest in Senator Lorimer, and it does not consider him as representing the sentiment of the party. The election is deplored. The original draft condemned "bathroom" tactics and "jack-pot" legislation. These words were eliminated by the committee, according to the secretary, because they were objectionable.

Condemns Bribery. The revised plank read: "The democratic party is unalterably opposed to the giving of the taking of bribes by those seeking legislative favors, and we condemn in unmeasured terms any person or persons, denigrate or republican, who may have been guilty of any participation therein, and declare that in this connection we favor the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people."

A plank maintaining that the people are entitled to as low prices on school books as prevail in other states, and urging that efforts be made to obtain a reduction, was inserted in the committee room.

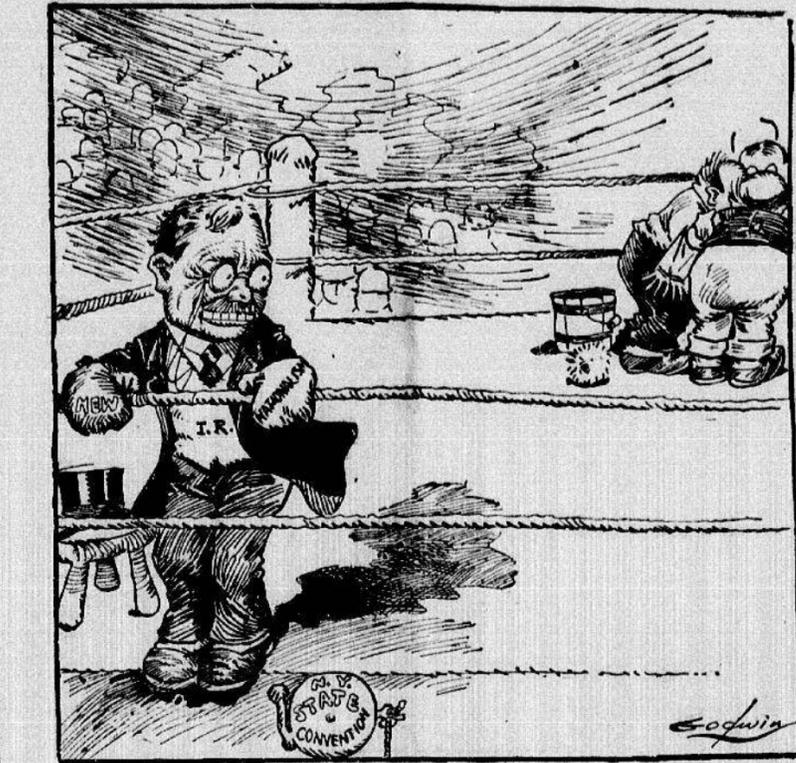
The platform came out squarely for home rule for cities and villages after the resolutions committee reached an agreement. The plank opposing the cumulative system of voting for legislators was eliminated. Otherwise, the platform on which the democratic party will seek votes in November was the same as the original draft.

Congressman Champ Clark of Missouri was the principal speaker.

CHOLERA STATISTICS. St. Petersburg, Sept. 23.—The figures show that during the present cholera epidemic there have been 19,976 cases, with 8,876 deaths, throughout the country. For the week ending September 17 there was a total of 4,471 cases and 2,071 deaths. In the last six days there have been 261 cases and 81 deaths in this city. In the week previous there were 539 cases and 135 deaths.

CRAZY PASSENGER. Hanna, Wyo., Sept. 23.—After being restrained from leaping from a Union Pacific train near Sherman, Wyo., Charles Burns, a passenger, left the train here, acting wildly, and was pursued for six miles across the sagebrush before he was caught. Burns was placed in jail, and proceeded to jab his throat with a nail file until it was taken from him. He calmed down later and was sent on west.

THE REAL KATABASIS



VETERANS TAKE NO ACTION ON QUESTION OF LIKENESS OF LEE IN STATUARY HALL

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 23.—After a warm debate of more than three hours, the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, at its final session this afternoon, indefinitely postponed action on the controversy over the placing of the statue of Robert E. Lee in Statuary hall. The vote was 123 to 102, a small total compared with the vote of 887 cast for commander in chief yesterday. The encampment rejected the proposition recommending that congress be asked to grant each Union veteran a pension of \$1 a day for life, but endorsed the McChamber bill, now pending, relating to widows' pensions.

It was recommended that the pensions for veterans 66 years of age be increased from \$12 to \$16 a month, 70 years of age from \$15 to \$20, and 75 years of age from \$20 to \$25 a month. The question of the Grand Army's attitude on the Lee statue matter was one of the most important the encampment has had to deal with in years. The conservative element controlled the argument, and won the day on the statue of Lee. The bitterness engendered in the civil war was disappearing and that sectional hatred should not be revived; that action adverse to the Lee statue would do more harm than good, especially to the Grand Army of the Republic, and last, but not least, that the state of Virginia, under the act of congress in 1864, had the right to place in Statuary hall the image of any man from that state whose memory it chose to perpetuate.

"OLD GUARD" READY FOR SARATOGA BATTLE TWO FACTIONS END PRE-CONVENTION FIGHT

Saratoga, N. Y., Sept. 23.—Preparations for one of the bitterest struggles in the annals of republican politics for control of the state convention, the "old guard" moved on Saratoga tonight. Timothy L. Woodruff admits that the contest will be close, but is still firm in his belief that the convention will endorse the selection of Vice President Sherman by the state committee as its temporary chairman. "It is quite true," said Mr. Woodruff, "that we have lost some delegates from districts we had reason to expect would support Mr. Sherman, but as an offset to these losses we have assurances from other quarters that delegates claimed by the progressives will be recorded in the Sherman column."

DR. FREDERICK A. COOK IS FOUND IN MUNICH

New York, Sept. 23.—Dr. Frederick A. Cook, the vanished explorer, has been sighted in a Munich hotel under the name of Mr. Coleman and family, so Richard M. Ryan, of Bridgeport, Conn., has informed the New York Times, which will publish his account tomorrow of how he met the doctor. "I arrived in Munich on August 31," said Mr. Ryan, "and on entering the dining room of my hotel I was amazed to see Dr. Cook, his wife, son and daughter sitting at a table. There was no attempt at disguise. He wore his mustache, little side whiskers and looked just like his photograph."

CURTISS COMES DOWN

Allentown, Pa., Sept. 23.—Glenn H. Curtiss in a biplane started from a field near Muhlenberg college this afternoon in an attempt to fly to Texas. The distance is 102 miles. He came down after flying six miles.

ALPS CROSSED CANNON CALLS BY PERUVIAN AVIATOR REPUBLICANS FORWARD

GEORGES CHAVEZ FOLLOWS NAPOLEON'S TRAIL, BUT FAILS TO MAKE GOAL. TIMES ARE RIPE FOR HEEDING COMMAND TO CHILDREN OF ISRAEL, HE SAYS.

PLUCKY HERO IS HURT "UNCLE JOE" HAS FUN

Birdman Crosses Range Without Accident But Breaks Both Legs at Domodossola in Landing—Prize of Twenty Thousand Dollars Awaited But Short Distance Off. At Convention at Springfield, Illinois, Veteran Speaker Sees Platform Endorsing Tariff and Approving Administration Adopted and Makes Strenuous Speech.

Domodossola, Italy, Sept. 23.—The great feat of crossing the snow-capped Alpine barrier between Switzerland and Italy in a heavier-than-air machine was accomplished today by Georges Chavez, the young Peruvian aviator. The plucky hero of the exploit, however, lies tonight in the Domodossola hospital badly injured as the result of an accident that occurred just as he had completed the most arduous and nerve-racking portion of the task.

Both his legs are broken, his left thigh is fractured and his body is badly contused, but physicians are of the opinion that these hurts will not prove fatal. Hurt in Landing. The accident occurred as Chavez was trying to make a landing here. The Alps had been crossed successfully and the aviator was descending, with the power of his machine cut off. When about 30 feet above the ground, a sudden gust of wind seemed to catch the monoplane, which turned over and fell. When the crowds that had been watching the descent ran up, they found Chavez lying, bleeding and unconscious, beneath the twisted wreckage. Willing hands lifted the aviator from the ground and bore him to the hospital.

Fifty miles away and over country that has none of the hazards of the Alps, lay Milan, the goal Chavez was seeking in an endeavor to win a prize of \$20,000 offered by the Italian Aviation society for the flight. Chavez had lost the race.

Leaving the ground with his motor running at full speed, he rose in sweeping circles until he had reached an altitude of 7,300 feet and then turned his machine south over the terrifying Simplon pass. After crossing the dividing mountain head of Monte Leone, which rises to a height of 16,646 feet, and passed down above the Gondo gorge, a deep gulf between sheer walls, until he reached the open valley of Veduggio, and then descended easily toward Domodossola. It was here that the accident occurred. The 25 miles between Brig and Domodossola, which it took the armies of Napoleon a fortnight to negotiate, Chavez accomplished in 40 minutes.

After treatment in the hospital, Chavez regained consciousness. He suffered terribly from his hurts. He said he was unable to explain how the accident occurred.

Yankee Sympathetic. Henry Weymann, the American aviator who made two unsuccessful attempts in the Brig-Milan race today, sent a telegram of sympathy to Chavez, although Chavez did not succeed in winning the prize of \$20,000, having failed to reach Milan, some of the members of the aviation committee are in favor of turning over the prize to him and erecting a monument in commemoration of man's first flight across the Alps.

AMATEUR AVIATOR SMASHES MACHINE TO ELECTRIFY

Pueblo, Colo., Sept. 23.—Unlucky winds put out of commission a biplane made and operated by Howard Gill, a novice aviator, at the state fair here today. Gill, who was secured by the fair management after the contract of a professional aviator with a "high altitude" biplane had terminated, got away all right. The machine rose steadily and apparently under perfect control until it reached the height of about 10 feet, when a gust of wind upset its equilibrium and drove it to the ground. It was badly smashed.

HEINZE IN CANADA

Wallace, Sept. 23.—(Special.)—The Hypotheek Mining company, owning a copper property at Kingston, has decided to install electrical power in place of steam power, used at present, the substitution to cost \$12,000. Most of the Hypotheek stockholders are residents of Moosejaw, Canada.

Helena, Sept. 23.—Making what is said to be the first successful flight ever made at a starting altitude of 4,900 feet, J. C. Mars, in a Curtiss biplane, who will give exhibition flights at the state fair next week, today reached the track. The first flight was witnessed by the governor and a few prominent citizens and was made for the purpose of testing out the machine in this altitude. It was entirely successful. Next week Mars says he will fly across the main range of the Rocky mountains, altitude about 7,500 feet, thus equalling Chavez's performance on the Alps today.

Seattle, Sept. 23.—The steamer Victoria, from Nome, brings news that a three days' storm, beginning September 9, did great damage to several vessels and lighters at Nome. Anxiety is now felt there for the schooner Arctic, which left for the Siberian coast on July 1 and has not been heard from in two months. Richard Byers and his 14-year-old step-daughter were drowned at the mouth of the Yukon during the storm.

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