

SCRAMBLE FOR TRAINS TO PARTY CONVENTIONS

Would-Be Presidents and President-Makers on Board for St. Louis and Chicago.

FUN BY GRIDIRON CLUB

Washington Newspaper Men Lay Aside Their Cares and Have Evening's Merriment at Expense of National Leaders.

WASHINGTON, February 26.—The Gridiron Club to-night, at its second dinner of the winter, projected itself into the convention activities of next week, and helped a distinguished party of President-makers and candidates board trains for Chicago and St. Louis to meet the fates awaiting them there.

President Wilson was among those who looked on, and he may have received an intimation of the opposition he will meet later in the year. Vice-President Marshall, the Secretaries of State, Navy and Interior, the Brazilian ambassador, the Chinese and Bolivian ministers, several members of the Senate and House, officers of the army and navy, and a number of the most notable figures of the nation's financial and industrial life were present.

NEWLY ELECTED PRESIDENT OF CLUB INAUGURATED

The newly elected president of the club, Louis W. Strayer, of the Pittsburgh Dispatch, was inaugurated with humorous skit, in which all members participated, variously attired to represent the Old Guard, the regular army, the continental army, the government merchant marine, the Progressive party and war revenue tax collectors.

The most ambitious of several sketches presented by the club was the political one. Scrambles for seats, trains, strange traveling companions, and ticket complexities that confounded the railway gatekeepers offered extraordinary opportunities for fun-making, passing through the Chicago gate were regular and progressive Republicans, characters representing former Senators Burton and Beveridge, former Vice-President Fairbanks, Secretary Sherman, Borah, Cummins, Weeks and Cramer, Representative Cannon, former President Roosevelt, William Barnes and George W. Perkins, of New York, through the St. Louis gate passed Secretary McAdoo, Postmaster-General Burleson, Charles F. Murphy, of New York, and William Jennings Bryan.

SECRETARY PRODUCES WEIRD-LOOKING TICKET

Next came a passenger for St. Louis, who was hailed as Secretary McAdoo. He produced a weird-looking ticket, newly recognized as mislaid, which the attendant examined laboriously. Muttering that it seemed "as complicated as the shipping bill," the gatekeeper asked a mistake hadn't been made. Its intricacies were explained by methods of addition and subtraction, and the passenger passed through grinning. The gatekeeper, recovering, remarked to his aid: "That wasn't no railroad ticket; that was today's Treasury statement."

"Hey, Mr. Speaker," expostulated the attendant, "this ticket ain't no good, it reads for Baltimore. And it's four cars old." "I knew it!" shouted the passenger, who resembled Champ Clark. "Bill Keiser told me to try to work it out, but the darn ticket never was any good."

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A Message of Joy to Catarrh Sufferers. Wonderful Results From Breathing Marvelous Germicidal Air. Money Back If It Don't Help You.

Catarrh is a germ disease and the germs thrive far up in the recesses of our nose, throat and lungs where no medicines, sprays, or ointments can reach them. Before you can get rid of catarrh you must get rid of the germs which cause it. Hyomei is the germicidal air known to us for killing catarrh germs and driving them from our system. Simply put a few drops of Hyomei in the inhaler that comes with every complete package and then breathe its air for a few minutes, four times a day.

est men in the world--Uncle Joe Cannon and Boiesy Penrose. The impersonator of Senator Penrose asked, "Is this the regular train?" and was assured by the gatekeeper that "everything is regular this year." Penrose wanted to know if the gatekeeper had seen any one by the name of Roosevelt hanging around.

"I heard he was going," the Senator mused. "T. R. did me a great favor once--he made some speeches for Pinchot."

"UNCLE JOE" WILLING TO BUY HIS TICKET

"Uncle Joe," urging the Senator to hurry, asked if he expected to pay Mr. Roosevelt's fare.

"I'm willing--if he'll use the ticket I buy," was the answer. Senator Weeks came along with a great bag, which he said was full of New England delegates. He was told to check it, but earned not to let Sam McCall know where he put the check.

Colonel Roosevelt was followed by George W. Perkins, and they made a great commotion. Perkins was carrying a bag, which he said was so light it kept floating out of his hands. The gatekeeper asked what was in it.

"Ephraim's diet," replied the lazar Roosevelt. "I'm going to feed it to the Republicans." The gatekeeper pointed out that Colonel Roosevelt's ticket was for the Progressive train, and dated 1912, but the Colonel told him he talked "like a Byzantine" together. Perkins had no ticket.

BRYAN RUSHES IN AND FINDS GATES CLOSED

Time was up, and the gates closed. When it rushed William J. Bryan. He carried a shotgun, on which was mounted a peace pipe, and excitedly told the gatekeeper that he had to get through, as he had important business on the St. Louis train. His ticket, the guard said, was only a half-rate clergyman's ticket, but he gained his point, and was allowed to slip through the gate on his promise to "run" for the train.

"You'll have to be some runner," commented the gatekeeper. "I am," replied Bryan, as he darted away. "Been running for twenty years." After the gates were relocked, two negroes entered. They explained they were delegates from "the Sunny South," and wanted to go to Chicago. This here station is closed for the season," the gatekeeper replied. "If you want to go to Chicago, you gotta walk, W-A-K, walk!"

PIN FOUND IN HER FOOT AFTER FOUR YEARS

SOUTH BOSTON, VA., February 26.—Four years ago Miss Wirt Jordan, a prominent young society girl of this city, struck a pin in her foot. The physician failed to find the pin at the time and it was supposed that it had dropped out, as the wound soon healed. Last week, however, Miss Jordan began having severe pains in her foot and upon examination it was found that the pin had worked up there from the sole of her foot. The pin was removed by Dr. H. S. Belt, at the Haley Hospital in this city, and Miss Jordan is out again, none the worse for her unusual experience.

REPUBLICANS WILL NAME DELEGATES TO CONVENTIONS

SOUTH BOSTON, VA., February 26.—The Republicans of Halifax County will hold a mass-meeting in this city on Saturday, March 11th, for the purpose of electing delegates and alternates to the Republican Congressional District and State Conventions which will be held, respectively, at Rocky Mount and Roanoke. Lee S. Wolfe is acting county chairman, and W. H. Faulkner acting secretary.

CRAIG WILL GIVE HEARING ON COMMUTATION PLEA

RALEIGH, N. C., February 26.—There will be a hearing before Governor Craig on or before March 20 on the pending petitions for commutation of the death sentences against Ida Bell Warren, of Winston-Salem, and Samuel P. Christy, under sentence to die on March 31, for the murder of G. J. Warren, husband of the condemned woman. Governor Craig says he wants the prisoners to have time for preparation after the final hearing in the event his decision should be averse to commutation. The Governor adds, in a letter to counsel, that he does not want his final decision in the case will be.

Four Months in Jail

Spencer, a colored man, was sentenced to four months in jail yesterday by Justice Crutchfield on a charge of stealing \$30 from the W. H. Harris Grocery Company. A charge of assaulting Anne Crump with a knife was continued.

FOR COMMISSION TO DEAL WITH WATERWAY PROBLEM

Policy Will Be Urged Upon President for Recommendation to Congress. OFFICIALS IN CONFERENCE

Cabinet Members and Committee of Senators Favor New Scheme as Substitute for Rivers and Harbors Appropriation Measure.

WASHINGTON, February 26.—Adoption of the commission plan of dealing with the waterway problems of the country, which would include continuing annual appropriations, was agreed upon to-day as a general policy to be recommended to the President in a conference between Cabinet officials and a committee of Senators. Participating in the conference were Secretaries Lano, Houston and Redfield, named by the President to investigate the waterways problem, and Senators Newlands, Broussard and Hiramshill. For some time conferences between representatives of various ideas of waterway improvement have been going on, with the result to-day that a policy was agreed upon which, it is believed, President Wilson will recommend to Congress in the near future. It is proposed that there shall be given special immediate attention to the lower Mississippi River below Cairo and that approximately \$1,000,000 shall be appropriated for 1917 for this project. In accepting this proposal the advocates of levee appropriations were won over to the general commission policy. What is known as the Newlands-Broussard waterway measure, which would appropriate \$50,000,000 annually, will be taken as the basis for the proposed new plan. NEW SCHEME WILL CREATE "WATERWAYS COMMISSION"

to have the scheme enacted into law at the present session and to substitute it for the rivers and harbors appropriation bill. It is probable that the President will submit a special message on the subject.

OBSERVES LADIES' NIGHT

Richmond Commandery, Knights Templar, observed ladies' night, Washington's birthday, in Masonic Temple.

A dinner was served, a musicale given, and a dance order of sixteen numbers ended the evening. John G. Kolbe was floor director. The women who served on the reception committee were as follows: Mrs. L. C. West, Mrs. W. M. Williams, Mrs. J. G. Seelinger, Mrs. E. H. Fuller, Mrs. D. C. Kennedy, Mrs. J. J. Mattern, Mrs. F. L. Butler, Mrs. O. B. Hord, Mrs. A. H. Flournoy, Miss Sarah Howe, Miss Alice F. Hooper, and Mrs. J. S. Wilson.

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They show that the system is being weakened by a congestion of the breathing apparatus. This congestion in the mucous membranes of the throat and lungs decreases the supply of oxygen to the blood, gives off poisons that are absorbed by the blood, and taxes the other organs with increased work. Then your body needs help. It needs to be toned up to do the extra work. The tonic used should also have a direct effect on those congested membranes.

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FOR MONDAY and TUESDAY--Just a clean-up of odds and ends of real values from our Big Anniversary Sale which has just ended. Read every item. SPECIAL NOTICE--Due to the extreme low prices quoted, we WILL NOT receive any mail or phone orders for any these advertised goods, nor will we deliver them. We also reserve the right to limit as to quantities.

- 20c Two (2) Complete Manicure Outfits—File, Emory Board, Orange Sticks 13c
20c Four (4) bottles Iron Glue 13c
20c One dozen cakes Castile Soap 13c
30c Three (3) bottles Best Quality Sewing Machine Oil 13c
25c One pound Jar Petroleum Jelly 13c
30c Three (3) boxes Whittemore's Shoe Paste 13c
20c Thirteen (13) Candles 13c
25c One dozen Baby Nipples 13c
15c Three (3) packages Star Naphtha Washing Powder 13c
15c Three (3) boxes Sun Bright Cleanser 13c
25c Whisk Broom 13c
25c Cake of Wilson or Empress Medicated Soap 13c
20c Bottle Violet Toilet Ammonia 13c
20c Four (4) boxes Ideal Perfected Tooth Picks 13c
25c One tube Gannell's Catarrh Cream 13c
25c Jar Mustolatum 13c
25c Three (3) Styptic Pencils 13c
20c Four (4) Hand Scrubs 13c
20c Two (2) boxes Empty Capsules 13c
25c Gold Framed Pictures; all subjects 13c
25c Children's Lunch Grips 13c
25c Regular Length Red Rubber Fountain Syringe Tubing 13c
\$1.00 Barber's Hones 13c
25c Pocket Knives 13c
25c Three (3) Turkish Wash Cloths 13c
25c One-piece Silver Deposit Glass Ware 13c
20c Two (2) cans Bee Brand Insect Powders 13c
20c Two (2) packages Patterson's Toothache Wax 13c
25c Four-Row Tooth Brushes 13c
20c No-Neck Nursing Bottles and Nipple, complete 13c
20c 1/4 lb. Gum Camphor 13c
15c One pound 20-Mule Team Borax 13c
25c Belladonna Plaster 13c
20c Four cakes Shaving Soap 13c
20c Two bottles Household Ammonia 13c
20c Four (4) cakes Ivory Soap 13c
25c Bottle Duck's White Shoe Polish 13c
20c Four (4) packages Chewing Gum—any make 13c
25c One box Fine Writing Paper 13c
25c One pound Paragon Linen Writing Paper 13c
20c Two (2) ten cent Writing Tablets 13c
20c 1-3-lb. Jordan Almonds 13c
20c Two (2) packs Linen Envelopes 13c
20c One-half (1/2) lb. Lime or Horehound Drops 13c
20c One-half (1/2) pint Peroxide Hydrogen 13c
20c Two (2) boxes Malena Salve 13c
20c Two (2) boxes Camphor Ice 13c
25c One (1) bottle Tragle's Antiseptic Mouth Wash 13c
25c Steel Shears, 8-inch 13c
25c bottle Tragle's Violet Lotion 13c
20c Four (4) cakes 5c Toilet Soap 13c
25c One pint Double Distilled Witch Hazel 13c
25c Three (3) boxes New Combination Shoe Paste 13c
25c Ladies' Hat Pins 13c
25c Leather Bill Folds 13c
20c Two (2) Pocket Cases with mirrors 13c
25c One pound can Violet or Corylopsis Talcum Powder 13c
25c Gents' or Ladies' Hard Rubber Comb 13c
20c Four (4) two-inch J. & J. Gauze Bandages 13c
20c Four (4) rolls Tragle's Toilet Paper 13c
20c One box Bird Seed, 1 box Bird Sand 13c
25c Birmingham Nasal Douche 13c
25c Excellent Infant Syringe 13c
15c Bottle Germ Free Disinfectant 13c
15c Half-pint Randall's Grape Juice 13c
20c Two (2) boxes Reques Charcoal Tablets 13c
20c Two (2) bottles Tragle's 10 Little Liver Pills 13c
20c Two (2) jars Tragle's Cold Cream 13c
20c Bottle Bee Brand Root Beer 13c
20c Bar 471 White Rose Glycerine Soap 13c
25c Hand Brushes 13c
35c Durham Duplex Razor 13c
25c Three (3) ounces Aromatic Spts Ammonia 13c
35c Fancy Straw Waste Baskets 13c
20c Four (4) Nursing Bottles 13c
25c One pint Denatured Alcohol 13c
25c Tragle's Cold and Grippe Tablets 13c
25c Bottle Tar and Wild Cherry Cough Syrup 13c
20c Two (2) Gold Rimmed Graduated Medicine Glasses 13c
20c Two (2) cakes 10c Toilet Soaps, all odors 13c
20c Two (2) bottles Harlem Oil 13c
15c One pound Chloride Lime 13c
15c Three cakes Life Buoy Soap 13c

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