

CONVENTION EAST IN BRYAN'S GRIP

Attitude of Delegates Makes Probable Only One Result.

LEADER IS DEFIED TO FAVOR BOSSES

Three "Bad" Men Re-elected to National Committee Only to Save Offices at Home.

By THOMAS M. PATTERSON, Former United States Senator From Colorado.

DENVER, July 8.—That the national Democratic convention is for Bryan and what it believes he stands for was put beyond a doubt within thirty minutes after the gavel of Chairman Taggart tapped it to order.

The proof was not given in rounds of applause for there was not very much applause—but in the tenseness of the strain with which the delegates followed the speech of Temporary Chairman Bell, seeking for opportunities to relieve the tension with applause, and in doing so, though the opportunity he gave them were few and far between.

Mr. Bell's speech was neither great nor commonplace. It wasn't calculated to arouse enthusiasm. It was followed critically, the verdict being that it was a good campaign document.

The three most notable characters of the body are its "bad" men—Colonel Guffey and Messrs. Sullivan and McGraw, Bryan brought them into prominence by endeavoring to have them excluded from further official connection with the party.

Yet the Pennsylvania, Illinois, and West Virginia delegations promptly renominated them for membership of the national committee.

Protect Own Interests. Isn't it a curious paradox that the delegations from these three States will vote with practical unanimity for the nomination of Mr. Bryan—who, if elected, can, if he will, make himself the political dictator of every State of the Union, while they ignore his plainly expressed wish that they be excluded from the national committee?

The reason is plain enough, however. They are the bosses in politics. They control the politics at home and fill the small offices to which most of the delegates aspire. The Presidency is filled so far away, and is associated with home politics to such a degree that it is a good deal of a mere abstraction or sentiment with the small politician, boss, or politician of the office, and finances he controls, are a part of their practical every day life.

To vote Bryan's renomination for President while his wishes about the bosses are ignored is not therefore an anomaly—but only natural. The delegates voting for Bryan respond to an irresistible demand from those at home, while their support of the bosses is the irresistible command of their selfish natures.

James a Probability. The three bosses of contention last night were the tariff, the labor plank, and the Vice Presidency. The committee are struggling over the first two. It is idle to predict the outcome in advance. As to the latter, the sentiment is growing that the South has been patient and long-suffering in its renunciation of the rebellion, yet, after being an American, he is a Southerner in all his fiber, and would, it is believed, add strength to the ranks of the prophets, the public need not be surprised should the ticket be Bryan and James.

Gray Again Declines Second Place Honor

DENVER, July 8.—Judge Gray's manager, Josiah Marvel, learning that Bryan's friends were trying to induce Gray to reconsider his announced determination not to accept the nomination for second place if tendered to him, took steps definitely to take him out of the race. As a result, last night he sent the following telegram to Bryan at Lincoln:

SHOTGUN SQUAD ENLIVEN'S DOG WAR

St. Paul Now Putting Its Canines to Death by Humane Hospital Methods.

ST. PAUL, Minn., July 8.—Between the burly members of the police "shotgun squad," the tearful feminine sympathizers who think anything that wags a tail and wears fur is valuable, the humane society, which is holding up its hands in horror at the time-honored methods of slaughter pursued by the dog-catcher, is a daily paper which is devoting solid columns of sympathy to high and low degree who can't see what use a dog tag is anyway. St. Paul canines are experiencing a reign of terror the like of which the Northwest never saw before.

It all started because some one said a dog was mad. Physicians promptly rose up to declare that dogs never give hydrophobia to humans. Other doctors rose up to laugh the argument to scorn. The shotgun squad began a campaign which began to litter up the beautiful city streets with fragments of dog. Everybody felt satisfied for a minute, but the humane society then woke up.

The humane society wins. The police have called off the shotgun crews and the dogs of the city are wearing muzzles. St. Paul's dog population has not decreased perceptibly, but those that die go out of the world on approved hospital specifications and all things are being done decently and in order.

RECEIVERS FOR LAUNDRY. Judge Wright this morning appointed William Earl Ambrose and Edward H. Kimball receivers for the Harvard Laundry Company, incorporated, of 71 North 17th street northwest. Their bonds are fixed at \$1,000 each.

Bryan Favors Omaha Mayor To Head National Committee



JAMES C. DAHLMAN, "Cowboy Mayor" of Omaha, Who Says Bryan Has Offered Him Chairmanship of the Democratic National Committee.

James C. Dahlman Says He Can Have Place If He Wants It.

DENVER, July 8.—James C. Dahlman, the "cowboy mayor" of Omaha, will be chairman of the Democratic national committee, unless he can convince Bryan that it would be better politics to elect a manager from another section of the country. He is the choice of the Nebraska for the post and is willing to cancel his other plans to accept if Mr. Bryan insists.

Chief among Mr. Dahlman's plans is a race for the governorship of Nebraska, and he has made arrangements to enter the campaign when the convention adjourns, with what he thinks is a fair chance of success, but he is ready to drop out if the call comes for further sacrifice in the interests of Mr. Bryan.

Has Been Offered the Place. "I can have the chairmanship if I'll take it," said Mr. Dahlman, "and may accept it. Personally I believe it would be better politics to get a man from another State. With the nomination and his manager from Nebraska many Democrats may ask: 'Hasn't any other State good Democratic timber?' Or they may say Nebraska has an monopoly on able men; but I entered the Bryan fight to win and wish to see him elected this time. For that reason I shall take hold of the campaign and do my best to make it a success, unless I can make Bryan come around to my way of thinking."

One thing is sure, the chairman will be a friend of Mr. Bryan. I concede the Vice Presidency to other factions, but the management of the campaign must be in the hands of a man who has the confidence of the leader."

Mr. Dahlman for years has been a close personal friend of Mr. Bryan and has been his adviser through the two previous Presidential campaigns in which the Nebraska was the nominee. He is a sharp, shrewd Western man, skilled in the political game. He makes friends easily and resorts to none of the petty devices peculiar to many politicians, therefore he is considered one of the strong party men in the West.

Wants to Run for Governor. Before the chairmanship of the committee was offered him Mr. Dahlman planned to go home after the convention and begin his gubernatorial campaign at once. He expressed himself in this fashion early today, before the management of the national campaign was put up to him.

"I'm going to make a red-hot fight for the place," said the mayor, "and if I get the nomination I am going to be elected."

That's what every candidate says, and doubtless every candidate believes it, but there is something about the man in his own triumph which impresses a hearer and leads him to believe the Omaha mayor knows whereof he speaks.

Still it is fair to others in the State to say that there are people who do not think correctly without being too literal in the use of their language, say Jim's judgment is faulty, both as to the nomination and to the election, in the event he wins in the convention. But that is a matter of weeks in the future, while Dahlman as a candidate is an active force of the present.

Dahlman is nothing if not frank. He believes in telling the people what he wants. He says if he wants a suit of clothes he goes to the tailor and orders it, but does not go to the butcher and find fault with his dog. If he wants a drink, he goes into a saloon, lays down 15 cents on the bar, names his favorite, takes a little chaser, and goes on his way.

anatomy of a human. Should he come to Congress he would be given a place on the Committee of Ventilation and Acoustics.

Cannon Runs For Car. Late yesterday afternoon a Fourteenth street car was whirling northward. Hurdling to meet it was a rather elderly gentleman. The crowd watched the race, oblivious to the identity of the distinguished runner. He swung aboard, took a rear seat, and serenely proffered a ticket such as you buy six for a quarter without the universal transfer.

A young man in front turned and said with feeling: "If I were to run that way my heart would palpitate for an hour."

"Uncle Joe" puffed a cigar a moment. He said he; "It's indignation. You eat too much during summer. What makes you do it? A little linoleum that doesn't bother me."

"I notice it doesn't," replied the young man seriously. "Doesn't it make your heart beat faster?"

Can Teach Youngsters Something. "My heart doesn't bother me," replied the hearing legislator. He placed his hand gently over that all important organ, patted it, threw back a linen coat and continued: "No, it's all right. We old devils can teach you youngsters a few things anyway. Eat right, my boy, eat right."

"I guess Hitchcock will be made

WEBB IN GILD; SHE SEEKS DEATH

Lying in Hospital, Mrs. Meitzler Complains of Bitter Fate.

Married when fifteen years old to a man old enough to be her father, and finding wedded life too unhappy for endurance, Mrs. Melvie Meitzler, who attempted suicide last evening by drinking iodine, declares that unless relief is offered her she may be driven to repeat the attempt.

"If I can get rest and peace on this earth—if I have got to be beaten and kicked like a dog—it is far better for me that I die," she murmured this morning.

Mrs. Meitzler is at the Casualty Hospital, where she was taken immediately after swallowing the drug at her home, 28 Twelfth street southeast, last evening. She was better this morning, and was able to discuss her act.

"Yes," she said, "I tried to kill myself. I was utterly broken-hearted at the treatment I received. When I married, my husband was good to me, but as years went by he became more and more unkind. Nothing seemed to go right. Where I had expected love and caresses I found aversion."

At this point Mrs. Meitzler bared her arm to the shoulder. The soft flesh was discolored and bruised in several places, and above the elbow was an ugly mark entirely encircling the arm.

"I was married to Mr. Meitzler when I was fifteen years old," she resumed, drawing down her sleeve. "He was much older than I."

"I left my home in South Carolina and came with him to this city. My husband is now fifty-three years old, and I am a sharp, shrewd Western man, skilled in the political game. He makes friends easily and resorts to none of the petty devices peculiar to many politicians, therefore he is considered one of the strong party men in the West."

"If on the other hand, he wishes me to leave him, I will do so if he will furnish me with sufficient money to keep me alive. All I ask is peace. I want to live quietly as other people do."

Mrs. Meitzler is a remarkably pretty woman of the brunette type. She has the olive skin and dark, soft eyes of the South, and retains her beauty of face and figure.

Mrs. Meitzler's husband is employed as a letter carrier at station H, Anacostia. His fellow-workers are strong in their praise of his ability, character, and his earnest and faithful work. He has held that station for about five years and during that time has done nothing, according to those who best know him, to attract the slightest cause for dissatisfaction.

OLD SHAMROCK WINS UNDER BARR

NEW YORK, July 8.—With the yachts that took part in the rough ocean race to Cape May at anchor in Gravesend Bay yesterday afternoon, it became known for a certainty that Frederic Thompson's schooner Shamrock had won the \$100 Lipton Cup, under the customhouse. It will be formally presented to the Shamrock's owner next week.

Mr. Thompson sent the following cable to Sir Thomas Lipton: "Have the only Shamrock that can win the Lipton Cup. Be sure your congratulations go with the cup."

It was one of the greatest races ever sailed. The Shamrock beat her modern rivals. Many wondered why Barr should attempt to win a race with a twenty-year-old craft. The answer is that he has a better more to his skill than have any of his feats in many years.

Chairman" broached the young man, feeling his ground. "Maybe so, maybe so. If he can land the election as he did the nomination he is the man," said "Uncle Joe," reminiscently.

Next Postmaster General. "Well, I guess he's the next Postmaster General all right," suggested the inquisitive one.

"Perhaps so. If he's big enough for the place let him have it. If he's big enough let him keep it. If he's not, get another," parried the statesman.

"I know Sidney very well. He and I belong to the same club," continued the Speaker's chance acquaintance. "Sidney who?" asked the Speaker, the gentleman not having previously made arrangements to be recognized.

"Sidney Bieber. Sidney is a fine fellow. I know him."

"Sidney's a Good Boy." First a puff, then a grunt, then half-quizzically. "Yes, Sidney is a good boy," said your "Uncle Joe."

The loquacious young man lapsed into silence; "Uncle Joe" spat a few coils of three-ring smoke and the reporter got off here.

All of which goes to show that young "Uncle Joe" is a jolly good fellow, that he has the youngsters' calling for the ice when it comes to avoiding the heat, and that he'd just as soon be in Washington as "mid the shades of Danville, Ill."

But he's going to quit the town a while, as you know Sidney very well. He and McKinley come. Perhaps, he says, they may go by Utica and see James Schoolcraft Sherman. Perhaps they may go straight to Mackinac. Anyway, the Speaker is contented anywhere.

TO ASSIST GEN. MURRAY. Capt Edward Carpenter, of the Coast Artillery Corps, has been detailed as an assistant to General Murray, chief of artillery, and ordered to this city for duty in the War Department. Captain Carpenter is now stationed with his company at Fort Totten, N. Y. He will report for duty in the office of chief of artillery until August 1.

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TIRED OF LIFE



MRS. MELVIE MEITZLER, Who Attempted Suicide Last Night Because She Is Brokenhearted.

POLICE ACCUSED OF HURTING WOMAN

Husband Knocked Down Trying to Save Wife From Alleged Unlawful Arrest.

Charges brought by Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lambert, of 232 N street, against Policemen Garfield and Geier, of the Third Precinct, alleging that they used unnecessary force in attempting to make an alleged unlawful arrest of Mrs. Lambert last night, will be threshed out in the District Attorney's office tomorrow morning. The case was not disposed of in Police Court today, pending this inquiry.

As an aftermath to the rather exciting struggle between Mr. and Mrs. Lambert and the policemen last night, a citizen today swore out a warrant against the latter alleging disorderly conduct, while the Lambert's called upon Lieutenant Fyke last night and voiced indignation protest against the alleged high-handed conduct of the policemen.

The wife went to the police blinds last night, she reported, when she noticed a watchman, employed in the same block, upon her back porch. He approached and made a remark, she said, and then left the yard. Mrs. Lambert says that she notified her husband and when they went to the window she found the watchman and the two policemen there.

One of them, she does not remember which, jumped through the window and roughly put the handcuffs on her wrists. She ran into her room, followed by the policeman and her husband. Her husband, she says, was struck and knocked down, following which the couple were taken to the front of the house while one of the officers rang for the patrol. It arrived in a short time and with it came Lieutenant Keefe, who said the couple could not be arrested without a warrant.

The lieutenant later denied that the woman had been assaulted by policemen. A full inquiry into the matter is to be begun tomorrow.

FIRST PRISONER, COLORED WOMAN

Lucy Lee, colored, thirty-five years of age, of 312 Census court northwest, was the first prisoner brought to the new Police Headquarters in the Municipal building.

The woman was arrested this morning by Detectives Weedon and Burlingame on a charge of larceny. It is alleged that she snatched a pocketbook containing \$7.22 from Lizzie Harrison, also colored. The Lee woman denies the charge. After being questioned at headquarters, she was locked up at the House of Detention.

EDUCATION BOARD PLANS VACATION

The Board of Education will hold probably its last session for the summer this afternoon. Superintendent Stuart said this morning that there would be little to engage the board's attention from now until the beginning of the next school year. It is believed that the board will adjourn its sessions until the last week in August.

More than 1,500 changes, consisting of resignations, transfers, and promotions, are slated to go through this afternoon. The board's final session will be a busy one.

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GARFIELD ORDERED TO POST \$82,000

Court Decides in Favor of Attorneys Disbarred From Department.

James R. Garfield, Secretary of the Department of the Interior, was handed a severe jolt today, when Justice Wright of the District Supreme Court, ordered him to file four personal supersedeas bonds aggregating \$82,000 before he could prosecute an appeal from the decision of the court, directing a writ of mandamus to issue against the Secretary in connection with his disbarment of a number of attorneys practicing in his department.

Until these bonds are filed and the securities approved by the court, the proceedings on the appeal will be held up. Secretary Garfield is now in San Francisco, having recently returned from a trip to the Hawaiian Islands.

The amount of the bonds, \$82,000, is the sworn annual business of the four attorneys disbarred by Secretary Garfield, who alleged that they had been guilty of violating the regulations of the Interior Department in connection with claims. The amounts are distributed as follows:

W. B. Stevens & Co., \$30,000; Edwin K. Spaulding, \$10,000; John H. Spaulding, \$10,000; and Edgar T. Gaddis, \$7,000. District Attorney McNamara, who, as the court ordered, is to file the supersedeas bonds, has also recently returned from a trip to the Hawaiian Islands.

He cited numerous authorities that the head of a government department could not be obliged to file a personal bond when acting in an official capacity. The four attorneys were represented by a small army of counsel, which included E. S. Bailey, Tucker & Kenyon, L. A. Pratt, Henry E. Davis, Bernard & Johnson, N. C. Curtis, and Brandenburg & Brandenburg.

Their contention was that the Secretary was acting in a personal capacity when he ordered the attorneys disbarred from practicing in his department. The bonds being not forthcoming the writ of mandamus has been issued.

POLICE DEPARTMENT QUITS OLD QUARTERS

Not Enough Rooms Assigned to It in New Municipal Building.

Without sufficient rooms for its different branches and bureaus, the Police Department moved this morning into its new quarters in Municipal building, deserting the old building at 479 Louisiana avenue, which has been used as headquarters for a number of years.

The main offices of the department are on the first floor, and occupy a good share of the west wing. Upstairs there are five rooms which will be devoted to police business, and in one of these Major Sylvester will have his office. The detective bureau, Inspector Boardman in charge, will be on the first floor. Here also will be the detective squad room, the telephone bureau, which is a clearing house for all police messages, and the different complaint bureaus.

The offices are in keeping with the new quarters of the other branches of the District government, and are in striking contrast to the old headquarters. The squad room is furnished with two large solid oak tables, big enough to accommodate all of the detectives detailed at the central office.

Despite the fact that the department is going to be crowded, Major Sylvester has given the reporters a good-sized room.

The police telephone switchboard was cut over from the old building shortly before noon, and from now on all messages will go directly to Fourteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue. The location of the Municipal building is going to work considerable hardship on the men at headquarters, according to the police. Officials of the department point out that the new building is so far away from the courts that the men are going to lose much time going back and forth. Furthermore, the department will not be able to keep in close touch with the District Attorney's office, except over the telephone.

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