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Ballot, it is Claimed Parkersburg Would Have Won—The State Delegate Convention

WILL BE HELD IN FAIRMONT.

Wheeling Was the Tallender in Both Contests—A Great Gathering of Politicians.

On the first ballot, Charleston walked away with the Republican state nominating convention, at the meeting last night of the Republican state central committee. Likewise went the state delegate convention to Fairmont, which was somewhat of a surprise, as the Marion county metropolis was not supposed to be in the field. The Charleston convention will occur on Wednesday, July 11, and the Fairmont convention on Tuesday, May 8.

The fight, of course, was for the state nominating convention, and early in the day it was apparent that Wheeling would lose, for the Parkersburg crowd came here strong, and began button-holing right and left on their arrival. Had all the committee been present the result might have been different, but several were represented by proxy, and some of the proxies gave Charleston a complimentary vote on the first ballot, which, with the Charleston advocates on the committee, carried the day for the capital city.

The vote of the thirteen on the committee for the nominating convention was as follows: Parkersburg 3, Charleston 3, Wheeling 2.

For the state delegate convention, which is to select four delegates-at-large to the national convention, which is to be held at Philadelphia, the vote was: Fairmont 7, Parkersburg 5, Wheeling 1.

The meeting was held in the chamber of commerce rooms, in the Hub building, and while it was called for 8 o'clock there was not a quorum present at that hour. The meeting was an open one at first, and by the time it opened every seat was taken. It attracted a boisterous crowd of Republicans, big guns from the four quarters of the state, the Parkersburg boomers being very much in evidence, with the Charleston crowd showing second front niftily, and presumably because of the overhanging effect of the Dewey festivities, a good, big representative lobby from this city was sadly absent, a fact that inspired the opposition with hope. Congressman B. B. Dovener and Mr. Joseph C. Brady were the Wheeling committee, the former being the spokesman.

The Parkersburg boomers included Charles T. Caldwell, W. N. Miller, Dr. W. W. Munroe, Thomas F. Barrett, Zachary Taylor, Henry Harnish, John Dudley, Frank Smith and Edward McCreary. Charleston was represented by Joseph H. Gaines, George O. Taylor, Noyes Burlew, Grant Hall, O. A. Petty and Judge Cyrus W. Hall. Other interested spectators were Emmet C. Showalter, of Fairmont; Harvey W. Harmer, of Clarksburg; Presley W. Morris, of Parkersburg, and B. F. Meighen, of Moundsville. Not a dozen Wheelingites were present.

At 8:45 o'clock, Chairman Dawson rapped the meeting to order. The first proceeding was the roll call, which developed the following members of the committee present:

- W. J. W. Cowden, Wheeling. Lamar C. Powell, Fairmont. A. B. White, Parkersburg. John D. Hewitt, Bramwell. Stark L. Baker, Beverly. W. M. O. Dawson, Charleston. Arnold C. Scherr, Keyser. W. H. Somers, Berkeley Springs.

The absentees were five in number. They were: Daniel W. Boughner, of Clarksburg; Edward Corder, Spencer; John K. Thompson, Raymond City; C. P. Snyder, and Samuel Dixon, of Macdonald. They were represented by proxy as follows: Frank Haymaker, of Clarksburg, for Boughner; Isadore Schwabe, of Charleston, for Snyder; Elliott Northcott, of Huntington, for Thompson; J. H. Gaines, of Charleston, for Dixon; C. D. Elliott, of Parkersburg, for Corder.

At the conclusion of the roll call Chairman Dawson suggested that there be a time limit to the speeches with reference to capturing the state convention.

Mr. Scherr moved, seconded by Mr. Hewitt, that the committee select the meeting places of both state and delegate conventions. The motion was adopted.

Following this procedure, Secretary White said he wished to offer Captain S. B. Baker as his proxy. In making a motion of acceptance, Major Cowden said he was sure all would appreciate Mr. White's reasons for retiring, and he followed with another motion that Captain Baker be secretary pro tem, both motions being adopted.

Before leaving his desk, Secretary White read letters from Senators Elkins and Scott and Congressmen Dayton, Dovener and Freer and Governor Atkinson, saying they would make the effort to be present. The letters were received some time ago, and their reading was only a formal matter.

Then the battle for the nominating convention began. On Mr. Schwab's motion, the contesting delegations were limited to fifteen minutes in presenting their claims. The cities were called alphabetically, which made it Charleston,

Parkersburg and Wheeling, in the order named.

For Charleston, Mr. Gaines arose, remarking that "it was up to Charleston." He began by saying that his remarks would be made in good nature, and without any disparagement to his competitors. It was true the Third district was the only one of the four that went Democratic last election. This was due to an apathy among the Republicans of that district, hence Mr. Gaines pointed out the interest and enthusiasm that would follow were the convention held in Charleston. "In the First district," said the Charleston orator, "you have the minister to Bogota, the governor, although he is sometimes classed with the Third; you had the commissioner of internal revenue, a judge of the state supreme court of appeals, and a United States senator." Continuing, Mr. Gaines showed the plums gathered by the Second district, and coming to his own, he endeavored to show how it was a victim of discrimination, "except in my own case," he added with a smile, "for I am happy to say the United States district attorney's office came my way."

Mr. Gaines laid emphasis on the point that the convention at Charleston would wake up the Third district Republicans. He humorously referred to the willingness of Parkersburg to accommodate all the conventions of the land. Aside from the fairness of its claim, Charleston also bid for the honor believing it would be bad politics to go to Parkersburg, on account of the gubernatorial fight. Mr. Gaines said Wheeling had a better claim than Parkersburg, and Charleston more than either. The citizens of Charleston promised a wigwam, seating 2,500 people, within the shadow of the capitol, and all kinds of accommodations. Mr. Gaines made a splendid address.

Mr. Miller tooted the horn for Parkersburg. "We are here, gentlemen," said he in opening, "because we want you, and I want to show that you want us." He argued that Parkersburg was centrally situated and afforded ideal facilities. Mr. Miller said no convention was necessary to arouse enthusiasm among the Republicans of his district, a thrust at the principal claim of Charleston. Neither did Parkersburg want it because it hadn't been given enough offices. Charleston hadn't been treated worse in that respect, said Mr. Miller, than any other portion of the state; in other words, it was not discriminated against by the Republican party.

Mr. Miller read a tabulated statement to show the mileage expense would be less to the average West Virginia delegate than to either Charleston or Wheeling. Outside of Wheeling, the entertainment facilities were the best in the state. Money to build a wigwam was now in a bank. Mr. Miller did not think Parkersburg's claim that it was a cheaper city for the average delegate to go to, should be overlooked.

Captain Dovener voiced the claims of Wheeling. He had hoped the task had been placed on other shoulders, and he paid eloquent tributes to Wheeling, a city that organized the first Republican club in West Virginia, and he called attention to the fact that the Democratic party had twice held their conventions here, once on the Island, and the other time at Wheeling Park Casino.

"I was born and reared in the Fourth congressional district, and for thirty years I have lived in Wheeling, and during that time there has not been a recognized state gathering here since Arthur I. Boreman was nominated, thirty odd years ago, and it was held in Wheeling at a time when it could not have been elsewhere held under favorable auspices."

Proceeding, Captain Dovener detailed the unrivaled accommodations Wheeling affords, in proof of which he referred to the elaborate celebration in Dewey's honor, a statement that elicited applause. Wheeling had no need of erecting a wigwam. It had Wheeling Park Casino, the Island and the theatres, and he was prepared to say that going to the Casino would not cost a delegate a penny. The captain urged harmony and emulation without envy by West Virginia Republicans, and he illustrated the content of the First district in years gone by with regard to state offices. It had no candidates for governor aside from General Goff and Governor Atkinson, and N. B. Scott was its first United States senator. And in nominating Governor Atkinson, the Third district shared the honors with the First, since the nominee was born in Kanawha county.

Concluding, Captain Dovener urged Wheeling's claim for the convention because the city would give the delegates a warm welcome, the best accommodations in the state, and a right royal time from start to finish.

Major Cowden next said that as the committee would go into executive session in voting for the convention city, he proposed that other matters be taken up before the room was cleared, a suggestion that was favorably acted on. A resolution offered by Mr. Cowden that the committee appoint a committee of three to confer with a like committee from the State Bar Association relative to a non-partisan judiciary, was laid over until the executive session, which was gone into a few minutes later.

Nothing of importance was transacted at the executive session except selecting the convention cities, with the result stated.

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In Clerk Robertson's Office.

In Clerk Robertson's office yesterday, one deed of trust and the following realty transfer were recorded:

Deed dated February 1, 1900, from Henry Schulbach and Henry C. Caldwell and wife, to F. H. Hall; transfers lot on Twenty-ninth street, consideration, \$500.

Marriage licenses were issued to William Leo Layton and Henrietta C. Paul, both of Allegheny, Pa.; Charles E. Sinclair and Julia Hamberger, both of Hancock county, W. Va.

Fakir Fined.

Yesterday afternoon, in Equire Fitzpatrick's court, Joe Henry was fined \$1 and costs on a drunk, profanity and disorderly charge. Henry is a fakir hailing from Pittsburgh and made himself obnoxious to an attorney and deputy sheriff from the "Smoky City" on the early afternoon Pan-Handle train from that city. He was arrested by Railroad Officer W. M. Johnson. His total, fine and costs, amounted to \$17.10.

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A Week of Repertoire. The celebrated Peruch-Baldini company will open a week's engagement at the Grand Opera House, Monday, February 26. The company is one of the largest repertoire companies on the road. They only play cities, and come here highly recommended and endorsed by both press and managers of the entire south, where they have played for the past three years and breaking records in most every city south. The company is up in a repertoire of fifty-eight plays, comedies and dramas, and a selection of seven of the best will be produced here, commencing with Bartley Campbell's beautiful comedy drama, "The Galley Slave."

"Blue Jeans." Everybody who enjoys seeing the oddities of life clearly depicted and its deeper passions carefully portrayed—in short, all who enjoy a thoroughly good play—and who does not?—will be glad to learn that "Blue Jeans," Joseph Arthur's world famous comedy drama of rural Indiana life, will be at the Grand during the half week commencing to-night. Its first production in New York marked an epoch in the American stage, and to this day the dramatist and stage mechanics have not between them evolved a piece of realism to equal his famous saw mill scene. So carefully was this worked out that it bears no sign of staginess or feeble imitation. The play is entertaining throughout, the company a good one and the scenic effects elaborate.

"Jack and the Beanstalk." That resplendent fairy spectacle, "Jack and the Beanstalk," the most successful extravaganza yet seen in this country, comes to the Opera House Tuesday, February 27. This most successful production has had a series of phenomenal runs in all the large cities and its record for receipts is something remarkable. Its seven weeks' engagement at the Boston Museum averaged nearly \$3,000 a week, and shortly after

It returned to the Boston theatre and played to but a few dollars less than \$30,000 in two weeks. FIRE INSURANCE AGENTS. Meet at Parkersburg—Reform in Insurance Laws of State Discussed. The West Virginia Association of Local Fire Insurance Agents held a very interesting meeting at Parkersburg Tuesday afternoon, presided over by President W. S. Foote, of this city. Mr. A. F. Faulkner, of Wheeling, the secretary of the association, addressed the members upon the insurance laws of the state, and suggested some needed reforms in the matter.

Other addresses followed from N. S. Klem, of Elkins, on "Rates"; Mr. Cooper, of Wellburg, on "Fire Hazards"; D. G. Morgan, of Wheeling, on "Organizations"; F. E. Nichols, of Fairmont, on "Cutting Rates"; F. Riester, of Wheeling, on "State Organization"; and Joseph Emsheimer, of Wheeling, on "Laws." Four new members were installed, bringing the membership up to 69. A motion was carried to join the National Association, and a committee was appointed consisting of Messrs. William Lohmeyer, R. S. Smith, F. E. Nichols, W. S. Foote and A. F. Faulkner, to present the matter in hand to the legislature. The next meeting of the association will be held in Clarksburg, on the second Tuesday of next June.

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