



FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 25, 1908

A CORRESPONDENT of one of the Baltimore republican newspapers writing from Richmond, alleges that the democratic majority in this state next November will be materially reduced. As viewed through his spectacles, there is considerable apathy among members of the party, while many, he says, will support Taft. His observations, however, seem to have been over a limited area. He met a barber, a lawyer, a planter and a negro banker who announced that they would support the republican ticket. To suppose that such straws show from which quarter the wind is to blow is as ridiculous as the assumptions of the tailors of Tooley's street when they resolved that they were the people of England. The correspondent referred to seems to have obtained his impressions in a hotel lobby, where miscellaneous crowds gather. This class in no wise represents the people of Virginia.

THE ravages of the cholera in Russia and the sporadic cases that have been discovered in other European countries is naturally causing anxiety. Black feet is said to stay this horrible scourge, but it is predicted that the pestilence is likely to break out afresh next spring. Eugene Sue in the "Wandering Jew" represents the cholera as traveling at the rate of thirty miles a day, or about as far as a man can walk in twelve hours. It is possible for the terrible plague to head in this direction. In the thirteenth century visited Alexandria and many of our people succumbed to it. Shortly after the close of the civil war it made its appearance in certain southern states. In Memphis it raged for some time, and a number of Alexandrians who were in that city at the time died from the scourge. It is hoped the pale horse and its rider will leave Russia and soon pass out of view altogether.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S attack on Gov. Haskell, national democratic treasurer, was yesterday given the appearance of a boomcrang, when the Oklahoman, replying, declared that his seeming protection of a Standard Oil subsidiary was due to a national charter granted the Prairie Oil and Gas Company by the president's own administration. Former Secretary of the Interior Hitchcock admitted granting the charter during the territorial period of Oklahoma's existence, but would say no more. Secretary Garfield, his successor, forced likewise to admit the grant, tried to minimize the fact by declaring that the departmental regulations under which it was issued could interpose no interference with the right of Oklahoma to enforce its own laws after the State came into existence. Governor Haskell declares it did stop any action on his part.

THAT "Taft Democratic Club" of Richmond, alleged to be "composed of 500 of the most prominent business men and bankers of that city," and which was to have held a meeting last night for the purpose of perfecting a permanent organization and electing officers, did not meet. The apparent cause of the non-organization of the club was the want of members. A Richmond paper is responsible for the statement that the "club" membership has reached two.

SO THE Prairie Oil Company got its rights in Oklahoma from the Secretary of the Interior in Mr. Roosevelt's cabinet! Governor Haskell did no more, according to the latest information on this subject, than to respect rights which had accrued under federal authority before statehood. On the whole, Governor Haskell's letter is less open to criticism on the score of bad manners than is the president's.

From Washington. Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette. Washington, Sept. 25. The attorney general does not feel qualified at this time to say whether or not it is the interest of the government to proceed against the Duponts in the powder trust litigation. Responding to an inquiry of this character, prompted by a Wilmington dispatch, Attorney General Bonaparte said today that he had no knowledge of a purpose to ultimately resort to criminal proceedings. "The action to dissolve the powder trust, however," he declared, "has been put in charge of James S. Scarlett who had been appointed special counsel for the government. To him is left the decision as to how best to secure the fullest results of the proceedings." Scarlett recently conferred with the attorney general here and at that time it was announced that the taking of testimony in the powder suit would be pushed vigorously. Advice from Delaware, that further action in the case had been postponed until October 7, may indicate an unexpected development.

At today's cabinet meeting, the first formal session since the summer vacation, and at which all members were present, except Secretary Root, the question of whether there was danger in having the battle fleet stop at Manila, on account of cholera was discussed. Secretary Wright declared that cholera was only infectious and that if care were exercised the disease would not spread.

It is likely that no chance will be made in the itinerary of the battleship fleet. It was decided to have the Postoffice Department cancel the ten years' lease for postal quarters in Congressmen Carter's building at Ardmore, Oklahoma. The lease was made several years ago. Carter was elected on the democratic ticket under the first election in the new state. So far as the department was aware there had been no violation of the law by Carter. A great part of the session, it is understood, was devoted to a discussion of the political situation, particularly insofar as it bore upon the Haskell-Standard Oil incident. Cabinet members, however, asked to be excused from discussing the matter at this time. It is understood that Mr. Bryan may be given the floor before the president makes any more public political utterances.

General Felix Agnus, of Baltimore, has informed the president that Maryland will give Taft a plurality of at least 25,000. The president told General Agnus that he was convinced he would carry as many. If not more, states than Roosevelt did in the last election.

Louis Willis, 27 years old, of 2251 12th street, attempted suicide in a car at the Eighth precinct this morning by hanging himself. He used a belt for the purpose. He will recover.

The body of Lieut. Thomas E. Selbridge will be buried in Arlington National Cemetery this afternoon. Full military honors will be accorded the young officer who lost his life in the Wright aeroplane accident at Fort Myer. The casket, being borne to the grave on a flag-draped caisson, escorted by the 13th cavalry mounted band, and followed by two troops from the same regiment, Episcopal Church, will read the burial service. The funeral was delayed until today to await the arrival of Lieutenant Selbridge's parents from San Francisco.

The reference question on bank examinations devoted today, the fifth day of their meeting here, to mutual discussion of the best methods of verifying the bank's copy of its reports of conditions and of its earnings and dividends; also the best methods of figuring the reserve of national banks in city, country and reserve city banks.

Acting Secretary of State Ade expressed surprise today at the report of the selection of a successor to Wu Ting-fang and said that there had been no official intimation whatever of a contemplated change in the head of the Chinese legation. He said that cables received from Minister Rockhill at Peking yesterday and today contained no mention of it whatever. Mr. Ade is also disinclined to believe the report emanating from Europe that Barton Rooper, the past three years Russian ambassador to Washington also is to be withdrawn.

The Comptroller of the Currency laid this afternoon a bill for a report of the condition of national banks at the close of business on Wednesday, September 23rd.

President Roosevelt's political housecleaning has taken an unexpected turn. He has directed his attention to unstable conditions in his own party and a wish of the broom today swept out of office Coleman Dupont, the powder trust magnate, head of the Senate committee of republican national committee. If Dupont's resignation is not in the hands of National Chairman Hitchcock it is on the way.

MR. WATTERSON'S VIEWS. In a scathing arraignment of the republican party Mr. Henry Watterson at Louisville, Ky., yesterday declared that the republicans could not make a scapegoat of Senator Joseph B. Foraker, of Ohio, for the reason that Speaker Joseph G. Cannon was a trust "attorney," and that Senator Nelson W. Aldrich was in the same boat.

He declared that Aldrich and Cannon had sided with the American government and that Foraker is a mere victim of circumstances in being "caught with the goods on him." He says the real culprit is the republican party, and that Foraker "should not be slaughtered upon the altar of the party necessity."

Mr. Watterson says that in the famous Akron speech W. H. Taft held up George B. Cox, of Cincinnati, as a horrible example of machine rule, and that he held Foraker in reserve as his next victim. Yet, when forced into a corner he threw his arms around both Foraker and Cox, and now, when Foraker has come to grief, the nominee of the republican party repudiates both the senior senator from Ohio and the boss of Cincinnati, and becomes the side partner of Roosevelt and Hughes, whom the editor designates as "self-appointed under-studies of the Almighty."

Mr. Watterson declares that while Taft is repudiating Foraker he should repudiate Aldrich and Cannon and Sherman, who are the real powers at Washington.

The Irish Vote. Newcastle-On-Tyne, Sept. 25.—The recent action by the government in prohibiting the carrying of the host in the recent procession in London, in connection with the Eucharistic congress, resulted today in the defeat of the liberal candidate, Mr. Short, by the unionist nominee, G. Renwick, in the by-election held to select a successor to the late Thomas Cairns in the House of Commons. The Irish vote went almost solidly against the liberal candidate and a majority of 5,000 in 1906 was turned into a minority of 2,143. Another element in the unionists' favor was the tariff reform attitude of their candidate an unexpected development.

News of the Day.

There is no buying or selling of cotton in Paragould, Ark., as the result of recent agitation due to the appearance of night riders in the cotton-raising communities of Mississippi.

Governor Haskell sent a reply to W. R. Hearst, yesterday claiming that the Oklahoma democracy under his administration did things, while Hearst only talked.

By the collapsing of a scaffold at the new residence of Thomas Winters, of Hagerstown, Md., four men were seriously injured and narrowly escaped being killed yesterday.

Judge Dallas, of Wilmington, Del., has granted an order extending the time of taking evidence in the case of the United States against the E. I. DuPont DeMours Company and other powder companies said to be in a trust, for 15 days.

Believing they would have no trouble in beating their way on trains, Mrs. Alice Boles and Miss Emma Gardner, who live in Cleveland, Ohio, discarded their dresses and put on clothing belonging to the husband of the former and started on a journey to Wisconsin.

W. A. Lewis, former cashier of the Smithfield Bank, at Smithfield, Va., which was closed recently by the state bank examiner, was indicted yesterday by the grand jury on charges of embezzlement and misappropriation of the bank's funds. The alleged shortage is about \$55,000.

Chief Justice O'Rear, of the Court of Appeals, of Kentucky, in an opinion affirming judgment in a case of the commonwealth against the Adams Express Company, which had been indicted and fined for carrying whisky from one local option county to another, said, yesterday, that common carriers ought to obey the law like other persons.

At democratic state headquarters yesterday in Parkersburg, W. Va., it was announced that Gov. Claude A. Swanson, of Virginia, had been assigned to address one of the largest meetings of the campaign, which will be held in that city on Monday next. Other prominent speakers will also be there on that occasion.

A big Fifth avenue, New York, motor bus, traveling at a high rate of speed, crashed into an electric-light post at Forty-fourth street and Fifth avenue yesterday afternoon. Twenty persons at least were hurt, including many women, and it is reported that one man, Morris Striker, who was taken to a nearby hospital, is fatally injured.

The control of the Washington Life Insurance Company in New York yesterday passed from the hands of Levi P. Norton, Thomas F. Ryan and Harry Payne Whitney to a Pittsburgh syndicate headed by William C. Baldwin, president of the Pittsburgh Life and Trust Company. It will be run as an adjunct of the Pittsburgh concern. Mr. Baldwin has been elected president to succeed John Talbot.

Charles C. Miller, son of Louis W. Miller, of Cumberland, Md., was held up and robbed early yesterday morning by two highwaymen while he was coming from Ellerslie, in the county, where he operates a barber shop, to the city to see his wife who is visiting relatives there. Miller was knocked down and robbed of \$76 in cash and a gold watch and his belt valued at \$100.

Advices received yesterday from Acapulco report that two heavy earthquake shocks were felt Wednesday of that port. The sea was greatly agitated, and broke in tremendous waves. The Cosmos Line steamer Radnes, from San Francisco August 9 for Hamburg, was caught and tossed about like a chip. The passengers and crew were thrown to the deck by the onslaught of the waves. Four persons were killed and several others were wounded by rolling spars and falling woodwork.

In the heavy fog that prevailed yesterday morning the westbound fast mail on the New York Central Railroad ran into a West Shore passenger train and a block that had been held in one of the blocks a short distance west of Little Falls, N. Y. The mail train had been brought to slow speed because of the fog, otherwise there probably would have been considerable loss of life. The injuries are confined to railway postal clerks, three of whom were hurt.

St. Louis and San Francisco passenger train No. 304, bound for St. Louis, was derailed a mile and a half west of Cauthage, Mo., yesterday morning at a curve close to Spring river. The engine and the baggage car went into the track and all of the other cars left the track and turned over. The engineer, and the fireman were pinned under the engine in the stream and instantly killed. Thirty-six passengers were more or less seriously hurt. Some of them, it is said, will die.

Wilbur Wright made a successful flight yesterday afternoon at Le Mans, against the wind, which was blowing at the rate of about 18 miles an hour. This was the strongest breeze the American aviator has faced, but he remained up for a fraction more than 54 minutes, covering officially 39 kilometers (24 miles), which is about a half kilometer more than the distance he made for the Michelin prize on Monday. In reality, Mr. Wright covered about 35 miles, the force of the wind obliging him to make wide turns.

Wu Ting-fang, the present Chinese minister to Washington, is to be replaced in November. His successor is Chung-Men-Yew, who was consul general of the Chinese Empire to Manila in 1904, and who comes to Washington with Tang-Shao-Yi, special representative of the emperor. Tang-Shao-Yi left Peking yesterday for America. Chung-Men-Yew is a member of the present option commission. The change will take place after Tang-Shao-Yi has been received and welcomed in Washington by Wu Ting-fang. He brings to this country the thanks of the emperor for the remission of a part of the Boxer indemnity.

Fred Bartel, of Orono, Mich., a private in Company H, Third regiment, now at the maneuver camp at Fort Harrison, Indianapolis, is unconscious in the hospital from a friendly "hazing" which he received at the hands of his comrades. Several members of Bartel's regiment put a skull and cross bones on his breast with black paint. Bartel went for a torch to get some gasoline and in a tangle for the pan the flame communicated to his clothing. The soldiers engaged in the prank ran to his rescue, but the flames were not extinguished until all of the young soldier's clothing had been burned. There is slight hope of his recovery.

Suicide's Request. Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 25.—"I want no priest or clergyman. Bury me without a shroud. I came into this world without clothes and I prefer to leave it in the same way." Michael Flins wrote this note before he committed suicide last Wednesday in St. Nicholas cemetery near McKeesport. His request will probably be complied with.

Edward H. Harriman is declared to be about to secure control of the Seaboard Air Line.

Justice Gerard signed in New York, yesterday the final decree of absolute divorce in favor of Elsie French-Vanderbilt from Alfred twynne Vanderbilt on the recommendation of Referee David McClure.

Prof. J. C. Beshm, formerly of Prince William county, Va., and principal of the Grantville school, in Garrett county, Md., who recently was arrested on a charge of criminal assault on a 15-year-old girl at Accident, has resigned as principal.

Samuel Gompers testified in Washington yesterday in the contempt hearing that he had been followed by detectives employed by Van Cleave, who also sent an emissary to bribe him. Mr. Van Cleave makes a flat denial of these charges.

At the meeting of the District Democratic Club in Washington late yesterday Mr. Creed M. Fulton, a Virginia attorney, charged that the president deliberately told falsehoods on several occasions. He said that Mr. Roosevelt not only used his great office as president for the purpose of defaming honest men's characters, but to shield his own misdeeds.

At Ironton, Ohio, on Wednesday, Lieut. Col. George Richards, of the Marine Corps, was granted a divorce from his wife, formerly Miss Frances Mills, daughter of the late Senator Roger Q. Mills of Texas. In the bill Colonel Richards declared Mrs. Richards refused to become his wife except in name. They have been married nine years.

Chairman Hitchcock, of the republican national committee, practically has been ordered by President Roosevelt to drop Thomas Coleman Du Pont, cousin of U. S. Senator Henry R. Dupont, of Delaware, and millionaire president of the E. I. Du Pont de Nemours Powder Company, from the directorship of the bureau of campaign speakers.

D. Laszlo Detre, one of Austria's delegates to the international tuberculosis congress, which will be officially opened in Washington, Monday, provided for an epochal feature of the distinguished gathering by an actual test that will disclose definitely the type, degree and stage of tubercular infection. Three patients from the ranks of the sufferers at the tuberculosis hospital there will submit to inoculation by the deadly tubercle bacilli, human and bovine, to prove the value of Dr. Detre's new method of diagnosis.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction of Oklahoma, E. D. Cameron, in a 2,000-word letter to President Roosevelt, declares the charges made against Governor Haskell, of using the state educational system for personal ends, in a bare falsehood and that the president, finding he could not prove his charges against Haskell on his own record, "descends to the dirt and filth of a ward politician to vilify and malignantly slander the educational system."

"The president," continues Mr. Cameron, "is a flagrant falsifier, a ward politician and a four-flasher."

Virginia News.

Mrs. Fannie Virginia Borden, wife of Postmaster John D. Burden, died Wednesday night at Toms Brooks. Her death was due to tuberculosis. She was Miss Spiker before her marriage.

Argument in the various cases against the Virginia Passenger and Power Company was begun yesterday before Judge Waddill in the United States Circuit Court at Richmond.

On the charge of opening letters in transit addressed to others than himself, J. M. Baucum, a negro member of the crew of the Washington and Greensboro railway postoffice, was arrested at the Union station in Washington Wednesday night. Baucum lives at Manassas.

Mrs. Annie Rutherford, widow of John Rutherford, whose father, Col. John Rutherford, was one of the anti-bellum governors of Virginia, died last night at her old home, at Rock Castle. She was formerly Miss Annie Roy, and had been a widow since 1860.

E. C. Miller, formerly manager of the L. O. Smith Typewriter Company, charged with the embezzlement of funds belonging to the company, was discharged in the police court in Richmond yesterday at the request of officials of the company who preferred the charges.

A stand of benches on the Roanoke fair grounds collapsed yesterday afternoon while they were filled with spectators watching the races, and more than a thousand men, women and children were carried down in the crash. About 25 persons were injured, some of them seriously.

Mr. George Washington formerly of King George county, manager of "Snowden Farm," near Fredericksburg, who went to California last year to take charge of a ranch, was severely stabbed a day or two ago by a teamster on the ranch, whom he had remanded for carelessness in allowing a team to run away.

Hearing a noise in his back yard at 2 o'clock yesterday morning, A. N. Webb, a salesman of Lynchburg, discovered a negro standing in the door of his chicken house. He began firing and the negro disappeared. An investigation disclosed the fact that a bullet passed through the top of the negro's plug hat and another shot knocked off one of the man's shoe heels.

Admitting that it was impossible to convict, owing to popular sympathy, Colonel Stewart, commander-in-chief of the Norfolk and the Hastings Court of Norfolk, asked Judge Bain yesterday to dismiss the remaining eight appeal cases growing out of the recent invasion of the Norfolk county jail by a mob, which was after the alleged assailants of Mrs. Albert Powell, the object of the crowd being to deal out summary justice. Two of the cases tried ended in acquittal. The cases were stricken from the docket.

The state convention of Virginia postmasters, which met at Roanoke Wednesday, adjourned yesterday to meet at Norfolk on the second Wednesday of November, 1909. The following officers were elected: S. B. Carney, of Norfolk, president; W. C. Pendleton, of Tazewell; Charles P. Smith, of Martinsville; John B. Grayson, of Warrenton; Franklin Slem, of Glen Allen, and Charles M. Kezlett, of Harrisonburg, vice-president; John W. Griffin, of Fredericksburg, secretary and treasurer.

J. Randolph Lawhara, of Lexington, was yesterday convicted of criminal as-

sault and sentenced to 10 years in the penitentiary. His victim was Mrs. Ollie Hickman, wife of George Hickman, of Midvale, Rockbridge county. The assault occurred December 7, 1907, at the home of the victim, while the husband was away. Mrs. Hickman is an attractive young woman. Lawhara was indicted in October, 1905, for the murder of his wife, who was a cousin of Mrs. Hickman, and after three trials he was convicted of manslaughter.

The second cavalcade, which left Fort Myer at 8 o'clock yesterday morning on a ninety-mile riding test under Major Duval, had a bad beginning. Two officers were disqualified on grounds of physical deficiency, and one, Maj. George G. Bailey, was thrown from his steed at Falls Church, and seriously injured. Maj. Bailey was transferred from the quartermaster general's department at Jacksonville, Ind., to Fort Myer, Va., for the test. He was riding peacefully along when his horse stumbled and he was thrown to the macadam road. He was left ankle was sprained and he was otherwise injured. The column was halted and he was sent back to Fort Myer in the army ambulance.

Today's Telegraphic News

Alleged Anarchist Plot. Bayonne, France, Sept. 25.—Evidence of an anarchistic plot against President Roosevelt, on his forthcoming hunting trip to Africa, was made public today by the police authorities of a half dozen countries who are examining the Spanish anarchist Cantrava, in an effort to connect him with the suspected plot against the life of King Alfonso of Spain. It was disclosed that papers were found on two Italian anarchists arrested at Seas, Switzerland, Wednesday, containing confirmation of Roosevelt's African trip. The authorities are convinced that Roosevelt is being considered as a fit subject for an anarchist attack.

The sweating process is expected to expose the plan of one of the terrorist uprisings Europe has ever seen. They are trying to connect his movements with the mysterious departure of sixteen German anarchists from Berlin to Hungary and the meeting of 150 Italian anarchists Wednesday at Seas. Two of this latter group were the ones who had the data concerning Roosevelt's trip.

They are now in jail at Geneva and a thorough effort is being made to obtain further evidence against them. The papers found on these two contained plans of the autumnal trips of nearly all the European leaders, and police officials all over Europe suspect that a concerted uprising is well under way. The plot against Alfonso's life was timed for tomorrow, during his trip to Biarritz, the police say. There is every evidence that the anarchist invited a woman to join the band that had been formed for the purpose of assassinating the Spanish king.

As a result of the disclosures made today, the guards in nearly every royal household in Europe have been increased.

The Cholera in Russia. St. Petersburg, Sept. 25.—For the first time since the cholera epidemic assumed alarming proportions, the health authorities of St. Petersburg today issued a hopeful statement. They based this statement on the fact of a 20 per cent. decrease in the number of new cases reported. From noon Thursday to noon today, there were approximately 300 new cases reported. The director of police issued a warning today that the concealment of cases would be punished by imprisonment. For the last two days the mortality rate has been about 50 per cent, and the problem of burying the bodies is still a serious one.

Thaw in Contempt. Pittsburg, Pa., Sept. 25.—Judge Archbold of the Federal Court here, today adjudged Harry K. Thaw in contempt in that he has not appeared to answer his bankruptcy proceedings. The order was filed by Albert P. Myer, attorney for Roger O'Mara, the trustee. The order reads as follows: "It is ordered and decreed that the said Harry K. Thaw is judged to be in contempt, and the warrant is hereby directed to be issued to the United States marshal directing him to apprehend Thaw and forthwith bring him before a judge of this court to answer and to be dealt with according to the law."

The Typhoon. Manila, Sept. 25.—A partial resumption of telegraphic communication today with the islands swept by yesterday's storm show that there was great damage to property, but slight loss of life. Romblon, on the island of Romblon and Taebon in eastern Leyte were the worst sufferers. Embagan, on the island of Samar, also suffered heavily, half the population being homeless. Lieutenant Rowell, of the Philippine consular, was drowned in the heavy surf off Viago, northern Luzon.

Mr. Dupont Resigns. New York, Sept. 25.—The charge against Dupont which resulted in his resignation today was made by Alfred O. Crozier, fellow townman and fellow republican of Dupont, and the author of the Wall street novel, "The Magnate." The charges were embodied in a letter to President Roosevelt on August 31st, in which Crozier pointed out the inconsistency of the republicans having at the head of their speakers' bureau a man whose business interests is at this time made under government investigation.

Gov. Haskell. Chicago, Sept. 25.—Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, is on his way to Chicago to meet Mr. Bryan, Chairman Mack and a number of the members of the democratic national committee. It is said he will be given an opportunity to disprove the charges that he is connected with Standard Oil transactions or asked bluntly to resign as treasurer of the committee. Haskell will arrive tonight and the conference will take place tomorrow.

After three days of heated conferences the representatives of the International Paper Company have won over those of the International Paper Makers' Union and the five per cent. cut in wages will go into effect and the strike of the 6,000 union paper makers cease. It is claimed that the paper makers also agreed to the other contentions of the manufacturer. The strike began August 1, when the company cut the wages of all its employees.

IN MEMORIAM.

In loving remembrance of my devoted husband, JEFF WILLIAMS, who departed this life, September 25, 1907—one year ago today. Gone but not forgotten. BY HIS WIFE CYNTHIA WILLIAMS.

Frank S. Monnett, former republican attorney general of Ohio, who was expected to take the stump for Bryan, will not do so unless Bryan repudiates Haskell.

Wilbur Wright made his first official attempt today at Le Mans, France, to meet the requirements of the French syndicate that contemplates buying his machine. He sent the craft up and after a flight of 36 minutes and 14 seconds the wind became so strong as to disturb the petrol and he was forced to alight.

Another Attack on Haskell.

New York, Sept. 25.—Under the caption "You want proof—read this!" W. E. Hearst's New York Journal today prints on its editorial page over the facsimile signature "C. N. Haskell," the following letter which purports to deal with the record of Governor Haskell of Oklahoma in Muskogee, that state. It reads:

"To the Businessmen Alliance. 'Whereas, it is apparent that there is in our city with the labor union people a movement which if it is not checked at once, it will invade our rights as citizens and tax payers to conduct our own business and

Whereas, the price of labor is being constantly advanced to a prohibitive standard by these labor unions, which threatens the growth of our city, and

Whereas, The laborers through their unions and backed by a central trades union are becoming intolerable, and

Whereas, This status of affairs has recently been stimulated by a recent labor and socialist convention in our city; Therefore be it resolved,

"That we the citizens of Muskogee, representing the best interest of the city do hereby bind ourselves together and pledges ourselves severally that we and each of us as citizens of Muskogee will do all in our power to discriminate any and all labor union men who may hold a union or trades assembly card not for the purpose of injuring these men personally but to check this contemptible fanaticism of trades unionism.

"Be it further Resolved, "That we take steps at once to induce good sober and industrious mechanics to come to our city, union or non-union, who will pledge themselves not to join the unions or trades assembly of this city and that we pledge to such men a preference at all times; also that we invite such men to join our alliance.

"O. N. HASKELL."

MR. HEARST AGAIN.

William E. Hearst, in his speech at the opening session of the state convention of the Independence League in Cooper Union, at New York, last night, flung some more sensational bombs into the "enemy's" camp. Mr. Hearst had a store of sensations in the form of letters from United States senators and others to representatives of the oil trust.

A new United States senator was named in the letters which Mr. Hearst pulled out from his grip—former Senator John L. McLaurin, of South Carolina, a democrat. Mr. Hearst read letters from Senator McLaurin to John D. Archbold and from the latter to Senator McLaurin, while the crowd of delegates and spectators hooted and yelled and screamed:

In one of the letters Senator McLaurin wrote to Mr. Archbold he spoke of being able to beat Senator Tillman, his colleague, "if properly and generously supported."

In the same collection was a letter of a later date from Mr. Archbold introducing the same senator to Frederick L. Eldridge, vice-president of the Knickerbocker Trust Company, "to discuss business questions of mutual interest."

Ex-Representative Joseph O. Sibley, of Pennsylvania, bobbed up again in last night's sheaf with several interesting letters. In one he told Mr. Archbold of a republican senator who wanted a loan of \$1,000, and asked Mr. Archbold "do you want to make the investment?" Prior to the 1904 campaign, Mr. Sibley wrote Mr. Archbold another interesting letter in which he said it wasn't at all sure who the republicans were going to nominate, and that he was on the inside, and that he thought he had really better come on to New York and talk it over.

A letter from Mr. Archbold to N. F. Clarke, of Pittsburg, under date of November 30, 1898, showed that Mr. Archbold was extremely anxious to have a friend named as democratic senator if a democrat had a chance to succeed Mr. Faulkner.

Continuing Mr. Hearst says: "I have read letters to show the corruption in these republican party. I have read letters and court records and affidavits to show the equal, or even greater, corruption in the democratic party."

"The republicans have at least repudiated their Foraker, but the democrats cling tenaciously to their Bailey and their Haskell."

"Mr. Bryan sustains Haskell and writes Mr. Roosevelt proudly claiming to be responsible for Mr. Haskell."

"Mr. Kern rushes to the defense of Mr. Haskell, although it would be highly appropriate for somebody to rush to the defense of Mr. Kern. Mr. Mack says that when he said he had got \$300,000 he was only joking. Mr. Mack, then, to be perfectly frank, admits that he lied, and we, to be perfectly frank, admit that we don't know whether he was lying then or is lying now."

"Mr. Bryan and Mr. Kern's attack the republican party for not prosecuting the steel trust. Perhaps they hope that Mr. Roosevelt will whip the steel trust out of the republican party and into the democratic party, as he did the oil trust, and that Mr. Mack will get another \$300,000."

The Independence party nominated Clarence A. Shearer, counsel for William E. Hearst, for governor and a full state ticket.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers are small pills, easy to take, gentle and sure. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co.

Best Treatment for a Burn. If for no other reason, Chamberlain's Salve should be kept in every household on account of its great value in the treatment of burns. It allays the pain almost instantly, and unless the injury is a severe one, heals the parts without leaving a scar. This salve is also unequalled for chapped hands, sore nipples and diseases of the skin. Price, 25 cents. For sale by W. F. Creighton & Co. and Richard Gibson.

The Market. Georgetown D. C., Sept. 25.—Wheat 85-87.