



ROOSEVELT ONLY MAN

Regarded as Only One to Oppose Bryan.

BRYAN IS CRITICISED

His Stand in Illinois Factional Fight Caused Friction. May Hurt Him.

SLATE MAKERS ARE BUSY

Democrats Looking Over the Field of Eligibles For Bryan's Running Mate—Senator Stone and Chas. Towne Mentioned.

ASTORIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, D. C., August 7.—Members of congress who come to Washington these days, and most of them manage to get here at least once during the course of a summer, relate the interest in Mr. Bryan's presidential boom overshadowed almost every other political question, aside from the query vital to republicans, "Who can we name to successfully oppose Bryan in 1907?" Those who propound the question almost invariably are ready with an answer. It is Roosevelt, they declare, else defeat.

A period of about 23 months must elapse before the convening of the next republican national convention. A great many things may happen in that time, but just now republicans are scared and they do not take the trouble to conceal it. There is a possibility, of course, that within the next two years Roosevelt or Bryan, or both, may do or say something to remove them as presidential possibilities. But if things go on unchanged, is the prediction that comes from the four points of the compass, it will be a walk-over for Bryan unless Roosevelt is his opponent.

If, when the republican national convention meets in the summer of 1908, it appears that Bryan's election is certain unless Roosevelt is nominated for a third term, what do you suppose the convention is going to do? Do you suppose Roosevelt's declaration that he did not want and would not accept a third term would have great weight with the delegates to that convention? Do you suppose they would tamely nominate a man whom they were convinced had no chance to win, or do you believe they would follow the logic of the situation and place Roosevelt again at the head of the ticket? And, if another question may be asked without lese majesty, what do you suppose Mr. Roosevelt would do if the convention nominated him for president and then adjourned and the delegates went home without waiting for any word from him?

Bryan Subject of Criticism.

Mr. Bryan is being subjected to democratic criticism just now because he has taken a hand in the Illinois factional fight and demanded the resignation of National Committeeman Sullivan. Some of those who criticize are Mr. Bryan's well-wishers; others are not. The well-wishers fear it may mar his homecoming and hurt his presidential boom. His other critics hope it will do both these things.

The chances are that both the friendly and unfriendly critics of Mr. Bryan are needlessly agitated. The incident is not likely to make the difference of one vote either way in the nominating convention. The trouble is that some people refuse to see that a new era has dawned in American politics and that things are not as they were a generation ago. The time was when a personal quarrel between two men might

MURDERED IN BRAWL.

Husband Killed by Friend in Drunken Revel—Wife Saw Dead.

NEW YORK, August 7.—Thomas Donner of the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn is dead, his neighbor, William Campbell, is under arrest charged with homicide, and Donner's wife is held as a witness. The charge against Campbell was made by Mrs. Donner, who told the police that Campbell killed her husband with an axe. She said that Campbell, her husband and herself had been drinking together yesterday and that the quarrel which resulted in Donner's death was an outgrowth of their indulgence in liquor.

WILL WELCOME BRYAN.

NEW YORK, August 7.—Thomas T. Crittendon of Kansas City, who was elected governor of Missouri in 1880 and who is the oldest living governor of that state, will be one of the Missouri delegates who will come to this city to welcome Mr. Bryan. In a letter to the reception committee he wrote:

"I am out of politics, retired more by age than inclination, yet I want to be in again to see Mr. Bryan nominated for and elected president. I was not in full accord with his views on silver, but I believe then as I believe now, that he would make the best president ever in that chair."

PACIFIC COAST LEAGUE.

At Los Angeles—Portland 4, Fresno 0. At Seattle—Seattle 7, Oakland 3. At Oakland—Los Angeles 4, San Francisco 7.

IS DEEPLY IN DEBT

Zion City Owes Nearly Five Million Dollars.

VOLIVA PLANS TO PAY DEBT

Overseer Proposes to Pay the Money Back by Funding Indebtedness for Eighteen Years and to Issue 6 Per Cent Bonds.

CHICAGO, August 7.—The detailed statement of the indebtedness of Zion City was given to the investors at a meeting in the college building at Zion City last night. The table showed a total of nearly \$5,000,000, which it is proposed by Overseer A. G. Voliva to pay by funding the entire indebtedness for 18 years and to issue bonds bearing 6 per cent interest. The proposition was accepted by an almost unanimous vote of the 850 investors present, there being but two dissenting votes. It is proposed to relieve the present financial difficulties by a mortgage on the 4000 acres of undivided land of the city. Twenty-five per cent of the gross earnings of the city will be set aside for a sinking fund to pay off the principal indebtedness.

WINDOW TRIMMERS MEET.

NEW YORK, August 7.—The National Association of window trimmers of America, is holding its ninth annual meeting here. President John Graham says that the trade of making windows attractive is 30 years old. More than 500 persons belong to the organization which is practically a western concern. One hundred members were present at the opening session yesterday and were welcomed by Secretary Mead of the Merchants' Association.

RELIEF AT LAST.

NEW YORK, August 7.—Heavy thunder storms and a deluge of rain tonight brought relief from the torrid heat of the past three days. Ten deaths are attributed directly to the heat reported today.

SEARCH FOR DEFAULTERS

Police of Country Hunt for Bank Wreckers.

HAVE FLED TO CANADA

Both President and Cashier of Milwaukee Avenue Bank Make Escape.

DEPOSITORS MAY GET LITTLE

Hope is Held Out That the Defunct Bank May Be Able To Pay Seventy Cents on the Dollar.

CHICAGO, August 7.—Theodore Stensland, vice-president of the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank was arrested late this afternoon charged with violating the banking laws of the state. Earlier in the day the institution was placed in the hands of a receiver and Paul O. Stensland, president of the bank and father of the vice-president, together with Cashier Herring, were officially declared fugitives from justice and their personal descriptions placed in the hands of the police throughout the country. This action was taken by the authorities after developments had shown the finances of the institution to be in a deplorable condition and had been so for a number of years. Even the safety boxes rented by the bank to clients had been rifled.

Theodore Stensland was released on \$5000 bail. The promise held out yesterday that the elder Stensland would appear in Chicago today are unfulfilled and it is the belief of the police that he has fled to Canada. Herring is thought also to have fled to Canada. His thought developments were productive of the first ray of hope for the depositors, who yesterday believed the savings of years had been swept away in the wreck.

David R. Forgan, vice-president of the First National Bank, and one of those to whom the status of the defunct bank's affairs, has been laid bare, declared that probably 70 cents on the dollar would be paid in final adjustment. President Stensland loaned money to himself, it is declared by subterfuge, having his employees sign the notes. The belief that Stensland made his escape into Canada is supported by a report from Superior, Wis., that the police officials in that city saw the missing banker on a Duluth and Superior car carrying a heavy valise. Another dispatch from Superior tended to show that Stensland made his way to Canada by boat from Duluth. Herring is thought to have reached the line by way of Detroit.

The following message has been sent broadcast over the country by the police:

"Arrest for embezzlement, Henry W. Herring, cashier of the Milwaukee Avenue State Bank, Carpenter street and Milwaukee avenue. Forty to 45 years old, six feet two inches tall, 275 pounds, stout build, dark complexion, chestnut hair, dark-brown mustache, light suit. He is a good dresser. Send all information to Chief Collins.

"INSPECTOR SHIPPY."

YEAST MAN KILLED.

OAKLAND, Cal., August 7.—Mrs. Lola Reed, aged 26, tonight shot and killed John P. Mahon, manager of a local yeast and baking company and then killed herself by shooting. The tragedy took place at the home of Mrs. Dr. Luella Cool Walker. The motive is said to have been jealousy.

NO ICE TO QUENCH THIRST.

Company Goes Back on Contract to Furnish Ice to Government.

CAMP TACOMA, Wash., August 7.—With the exception of National Guards, who will not be in camp until Saturday, practically all of the troops to take part in the maneuvers will be in camp by Friday next, meaning a busy time for all the departments.

The commissary department, under the active management of Captain Elliott, assisted by three commissary sergeants, is prepared to handle that portion of the work without friction. The little office of the department transacts a tremendous amount of business. There is one hitch in the department at present. The Carstens Ice Company of Seattle promised to furnish ice at 20 cents per hundredweight. The firm did this for a time, and then discovered that the railroad company was charging 25 cents per hundredweight expressage. Then the ice ceased to arrive at camp, and there is serious need for it. The firm is under bond to carry out its contract, in the sum of \$1000, and the outcome is problematical. The company, should it fail to supply ice to Camp Tacoma, may be debarred from future Government contracts. The maneuvers at Camp Tacoma are to begin next Saturday, August 11.

ARRESTED FOR EMBEZZLEMENT.

TORONTO, Ont., August 7.—Clinton Wray, secretary of the Union Trust Company of Pittsburg was arrested here today accused of having stolen over \$120,000 of the company's funds.

PURSUE OWN POLICY

Russian Government Will Ignore Parliament's Wishes.

MOVE MAY PROVE STRONG

Government Expects to Rally Landed Interests and Peasants by Giving Both Actual Relief—Money is Lacking.

ST. PETERSBURG, August 7.—The real intention of the government when it dissolved the lower house of parliament as revealed by a member of the cabinet to the Associated Press today, shows that Premier Stolypin at least intends to pursue and hold an affirmative policy amounting virtually to a determination on the part of the administration to settle the agrarian question according to its own lights, and irrespective of parliament and then go to the country upon this issue. The government expects to rally not only the landed interests, but the mass of peasants to its side by actually giving the latter some relief instead of merely holding out hopes of a more advantageous settlement in the indefinite future. Politically this move may prove very strong. The actual bestowal of lands, even in smaller quantities than expected, and the division of communistic holdings will, it is believed, make the peasantry disinclined to vote for candidates to the lower house, who might propose a totally different solution of the question. The crux of the question however lies in its financial aspect. It will be an herculean operation to find the funds required to purchase the private holdings, which project the minister of agriculture contemplated acquiring through land banks.

PRINCESS MATHILDA DIES.

DAYOS, Switzerland, August 7.—Princess Mathilda of Saxeburg and Gotha died here today.

ADOPTS ARBITRATION PROJECT

RIO JANIERO, August 7.—The International American conference at its session today unanimously adopted the arbitration project.

AMERICANS KILL JAPS

Poachers On Aleutian Island Slaughtered.

12 JAPANESE CAPTURED

Revenue Cutter Mc'Culloch Seizes Twelve Poachers—Affair Reported.

COMPLICATIONS MAY ARISE

State Department Reports the Affair to Japanese Ambassador and Expresses Regret—Japanese Are Illegally Landed.

NEW YORK, August 7.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says:

A report of the killing of five Japanese fishermen and the capture of 12 Japanese as prisoners, on Attu Island, the westernmost of the Aleutian group, the prisoners having been taken by the revenue cutter McCulloch commanded by Captain J. C. Cantwell, was made to the department of commerce and labor today by Edwin W. Sims, solicitor for the department, who is in Alaska to enforce the law prohibiting all persons not citizens of the United States from fishing in Alaskan waters. The Japanese killed were shot by Americans on Attu Island, before the McCulloch arrived. Lawrence O. Murray, acting secretary of commerce and labor promptly turned the cable dispatch over to Robert Bacon, acting secretary of state. Bacon will immediately communicate the information he has received to the Japanese ambassador, and will express regret that the Japanese poachers were so summarily dealt with by the Americans on Attu Island.

The cable dispatch from Sims does not make entirely clear the character of the offense of which the Japanese were guilty, but it does show the officers and crew of the McCulloch, were in no way responsible for the killing of the fishermen, and that those who were captured were trespassers on American territory, having come ashore probably to salt and cure their catch. There is no reason to expect international complications as a result of the incident, but there is no question that the situation in the Aleutian Islands, especially as it affects the Japanese is a delicate one, and that difficulties will be encountered in enforcing the laws protecting American citizens and their rights.

SUBTERRANEAN LAKE IS TAPPED.

Man Digs Down 81 Feet Near Bend, Oregon, and Strikes Pure Water.

BEND, Ore., August 7.—James Spicer, who lives near Agency Plains, has tapped a subterranean lake at a distance of 81 feet down, while drilling for a well on his homestead. He had dug down 50 feet with a pick and shovel and had gone 31 feet farther with the drill when it suddenly broke through into what is apparently an inexhaustible body of water. The water is cool and clear. This is welcome news to the ranchers of Agency Plains, the Spicer ranch is not to exceed 100 feet higher in altitude than Agency Plains.

JOHN N. HOFFMAN RETURNS.

FOREST GROVE, Ore., August 7.—Attorney John N. Hoffman, of this place, who left here about two months since for London, England, in the interests of the hopgrowers' association of Oregon, arrived home last night.

SUES FOR BIG SUM.

Doctor Wants \$999,980 For Professional Services at a Sanatorium.

PITTSBURG, August 7.—Dr. C. C. Hendricks of Atlantic, N. J., has entered suit in the county court here against Mrs. Laura Biggar Bennett, widow of H. M. Bennett, a former theatrical manager of Brooklyn and Pittsburg, claiming \$999,980 for professional services. Hendricks alleges that he attended Bennett in his private sanatorium in New Jersey for two years and that he was only paid \$20 during that time.

CLERK DISAPPEARS.

NEW YORK, August 7.—Matthew Brandon, 30 years old, a confidential clerk and messenger, employed by Thomas Faulkner, agent for the combined railroad lines of the United States at Ellis Island has not been seen since last Thursday when he left Ellis Island to deposit \$5000 in checks and \$1100 in cash in a New York bank. It was stated at the bank that Brandon had failed to make the deposits.

JURY STILL OUT.

PORTLAND, August 7.—The jury in the case of Charles A. Watson charged with perjury committed in swearing to testimony given in his final homestead proof before the United States commission, was still out at midnight and probably will be locked up for the night. The defense submitted the case without argument and the jury retired at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

RAINS ARE HEAVY

West Central Texas Suffers From Torrential Showers.

NO CASUALTIES REPORTED

Canyon City Said to Have Been Wiped Out by Tornado Which Killed Several People—Report Unconfirmed.

FORT WORTH, Texas, August 7.—According to advices received here, west of central Texas has been visited by torrential rains, and considerable damage done to growing crops and railroad traffic is badly crippled. However no casualties so far as known have occurred. At Amarillo, the family of a farmer was killed by lightning during a severe electrical storm. It is reported that Canyon City, a small town, was wiped out by a tornado that killed several people, but as the wires are down this report cannot be confirmed.

LOSS OF LIFE EXAGGERATED.

FORT WORTH, Texas, August 7.—The statements sent out today from here of a large loss of life caused by the flood in Texas, are greatly exaggerated. Heavy rains occurred in western and central Texas, but none were as serious as reported today.

MILITIA GUARDS JAIL.

CHARLOTTE, August 7.—Rumors that an attempt would be made to rescue from prison George Hall, an ex-convict, and an alleged leader of the mob which last night lynched the three negroes, caused Governor Glinn to issue orders for the militia to surround the jail. No attempt to make good the threat was made. Long before the sun rose curious persons went to the scene of the lynching and cut off the toes, fingers and ears of the negro victims of the mob.

FRANKIE NEIL BESTED.

LOS ANGELES, August 7.—Harry Baker was given the decision tonight over Frankie Neil after 20 rounds of fighting. Neil was a slight favorite in the betting.