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TEN CENTS PER WEEK

SALOON LICENSE INCREASED TO \$500 EFFECTIVE JULY 1

Council and Aldermen Pass Important Bills in Special Session.

Vote on Issuing \$400,000 Street Bonds Ordered.

JEFFERSON ST. IMPROVEMENT

Final passage to an ordinance increasing the city license of retail liquor dealers from \$150 to \$500 and measure providing for the improving of Jefferson street with bituminous material and ordering the question of issuing \$400,000 worth of municipal bonds for street improvement purposes, constituted the work of what was probably one of the most important meetings of the city legislative boards that were held last night and the members were in session until after midnight considering the business before them.

The mayor's call for the meeting was to have action taken on four ordinances. The one of the most importance was the ordinance raising the saloon license from \$150 per year to \$500. Mayor Smith said that this was the first time the city had had a chance to have the saloon men pay to the city what they ought to, and by raising the saloon license the city can get out of debt and stay out of debt. In 1906 the city went in debt \$10,000 and since then has gone further in debt to the extent of \$36,942. The city can be kept in a healthy, sanitary condition, so as it will be inviting for outside men looking for a good location for a business or manufacturing plant. Mayor Smith stated that licenses on all kinds of business would be raised beginning next year. The saloon men are the first to have their licenses raised because they pay licenses semi-annually and other business men pay annually. The mayor stated that it was not the intention to persecute any one by wanting the saloon licenses raised, but that it was a family affair and was for the benefit of the city and the saloon people themselves.

Liquor Men Oppose.

Judge R. T. Lightfoot gave a strong talk in behalf of the Retail Liquor Dealers' association. He said that it was unjust to raise a revenue from the whisky element to get the city out of debt, when the debt was brought upon the city by poor management. His plea was that hard times had hit the liquor men just the same as manufacturing plants and that if the councilmen were put in the saloon men's place they could see that it was unjust to raise the

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TAFT'S NOMINATION PLEASES FILIPINOS

Manila, June 19.—Secretary Taft's nomination gives great satisfaction here. Those favoring independence believe they will have a strong friend in case Taft is elected president.

ODD FELLOWS' GRAND MASTER COMING

Past Grand Master George Zeller, special deputy grand master at large of the Odd Fellows of Kentucky, will be in Paducah June 26. He will make an address and will instruct in the unwritten work of the order. The officers of the Odd Fellow lodges are making preparations for a rousing reception and Mr. Zeller will have a large audience.

WEATHER.



Fair and continued warm tonight and Saturday. Highest temperature yesterday, 93; lowest today, 77.

Sketch of William Howard Taft.

In William Howard Taft the Republican National Convention nominated for the presidency a man exceptionally equipped, not only by nature and training, but experience and achievement, to perform the delicate and arduous duties of the greatest office in the gift of any people. For nearly thirty years he has given himself with single-minded devotion to the public service. He has displayed throughout a broad grasp of affairs, a literally dauntless courage, an unshakable integrity, a quick and all embracing sympathy, a deep and abiding sense of justice, a marvelous insight into human nature, a sure and unwavering judgment, executive ability of the highest order, and a limitless capacity for hard work. In all the years of its history the Republican party has never selected as its leader in a national campaign a man so tried beforehand, and so amply proved equal to the task.

A Family of Jurists.

Mr. Taft comes of a family distinguished in the law and the public service. The first American Taft came of the English yeomanry, transplanted across the Atlantic by the great upheaval for conscience's sake which peopled New England with its sturdy stock. In this country they turned to the study and practice of the law.

The boy grew up in an atmosphere of earnest regard for public duty too little known in these days of the colossal and engrossing material development of the country. His father earned distinction in the service of the city and state and nation, going from the Superior bench, to which he had been elected unopposed, to the place in Grant's cabinet now held by the son, then, as Attorney General, to the Department of Justice, and finally into the diplomatic service, as minister first to Austria and then to Russia.

At College.

Of course he went to Yale. His father had been the first alumnus



HON. WILLIAM H. TAFT.

of the corporation, and when young Taft had completed his preparatory course at Andover he went to New Haven for his college training.

He went back to Cincinnati and began the study of law in his father's office, at the same time doing court reporting for the newspaper owned

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Taft Demonstration When Nomination Was Made Equalled Roosevelt Outburst--Parade of States

Chicago, June 19.—For president of the United States, William H. Taft, of Ohio.

Taft on the first ballot! Taft by 702 votes! Taft by unanimous choice of the convention.

Such is the record of the culminating day of the Republican national convention of 1908, effected amid scenes of tumultuous enthusiasm and after a nerve-racking, continuous session lasting nearly eight hours. With the president named and the platform enunciated, there remains only the nomination of a vice president to complete the work. Tonight the whole city is given over to wild exultation in honor of the new candidate whose name goes echoing through the country.

The picture within the walls of the vast amphitheater when the presidential candidate was named was one truly grand in its magnitude. In front, to the right and left, below and above, a billowing sea of humanity, restless after hours of waiting and stirred from one emotion to another, was in a fever of expectancy for the culminating vote. Favorite sons of other states had been named, save Knox and LaFollette, and now the roll call of Ohio came.

As the Buckeye state was reached, the tall, gaunt form of Theodore E. Burton, with student-like face and severe black clerical garb, advanced to the platform to nominate Ohio's candidate. He spoke fervently, with the ringing voice of an evangelist, which went ringing through the great building. The close of his speech of nomination was the signal for the loosening of the long pent up feeling of the Taft legions. Instantly the Ohio delegates were on their feet, other Taft states following, while the convention hosts, in the gallery

METEORITE FOUND ON LONE OAK FARM

Farmers in the Lone Oak neighborhood are wondering over a strange stone found on the farm of Claude Overstreet, just after a thunder and lightning storm. Where the stone was found the grass was scorched away for a radius of several feet and the rock itself nearly buried in the earth. Jasper Grim dug the rock out and found it contained a heavy deposit of minerals and smelled strongly of sulphur. He had no knowledge of the stone before the storm and connecting the scorched ground with the lava-like stone, he thinks it must be a meteorite, or fragment that fell to the earth from some other planetary body.

SPECIAL SESSION CALLED TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS

Hospital Board and Meat and Milk Inspector to be Selected.

Mayor Will Call Board Together First of Week.

BOARD OF WORKS IN SESSION

Mayor James P. Smith will call a special joint meeting of the council and aldermen next Monday or Tuesday evening to elect two members of the Riverside hospital board, and the city milk and meat inspector. The ordinance providing for the hospital board will be passed by the aldermen this afternoon at an adjourned meeting. Dr. J. T. Reddick and Dr. W. C. Eubanks are the present members of the board, representing the medical profession. They probably will be re-elected.

Dr. Ed Farley, city milk and meat inspector, will be a candidate for reelection, as will every other veterinarian in the city. In this as well as in the election for the hospital board, the term will be for 18 months, or until December, 1909. After that the regular two year term will be observed.

The board of public works is meeting this afternoon to dispose of the contract for improving Water street, which Contractor T. J. Sale refuses to sign. The board may simply award the contract to the bidder who had the next lowest bid for the work, as was done in the case of the Riverside hospital improvements.

ASSN TOBACCO SALES

Total sales for this week by the Dark Tobacco Growers' association through A. N. Veal at the Paducah saleroom, were 519 hogheads. Itemized, the total shows that Paducah sold 290 hogheads; Martin, Tenn., 42 hogheads; Dresden, Tenn., 37 hogheads; Kevill, 25; Fulton, 73; La Center, 51; Clinton, 1. The prices paid were 7 to 10 cents for lugs and 10 to 13 cents for leaf tobacco. For the year so far the total sales through the Paducah office have been 3,591 hogheads. Receipts for the year have been 9,369 hogheads. No sales were made this morning.

FINE HORSE STABBED

"George Starr," the fine little pacer of Dr. Ed Farley, is in a bad condition as the result of a stab in the right hip by some unknown person. The horse was in the stable last night and Dr. Farley was awakened by a noise from the stable. He went out and found a stab about three inches deep and a foot long in the horse's hip. The cut was made with a keen instrument, and with immediate attention it is believed that the fast little horse will not be bothered in speed.

"George Starr" has a record of 2:13 1/2 and is one of the fastest horses around Paducah. He has not been seen on the track this year, but last year he made all horses look up. Dr. Farley is at a loss to account for the stabbing.

Chicago Market.

	July	High	Low	Close
Wheat	88 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	
Corn	79 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	
Oats	46	45 1/2	45 1/2	
Prov.	14.47 1/2	14.30	14.30	
Lard	8.87 1/2	8.80	8.80	
Ribs	8.02 1/2	7.92 1/2	7.92 1/2	

JAMES S. SHERMAN.

James Schoolcraft Sherman was born in Utica, N. Y., October 24, 1855; received an academic and collegiate education, graduating from Hamilton College in 1878; admitted to the bar in 1880; is a practicing lawyer; also president of the Utica Trust and Deposit company and of the New Hartford Canning company; has served in these public positions: Mayor of Utica 1884; delegate to Republican national convention 1882; chairman New York state Republican convention in 1895 and 1900; member of the fiftieth, fifty-first, fifty-third, fifty-fourth, fifty-fifth, fifty-sixth, fifty-seventh, fifty-eighth and fifty-ninth congress. Committee assignments in congress were: Chairman Indian affairs, member interstate and foreign commerce, industrial arts and expositions.

CONGRESSMAN JAMES S. SHERMAN, OF NEW YORK, IS UNANIMOUSLY NOMINATED FOR VICE-PRESIDENT

TAFTS NOMINATION MEETS APPROVAL IN PADUCAH

William H. Taft for standard bearer of the Republican party meets with approval among Republicans in Paducah, and though the Democrats are not forward in expressing themselves, it is nevertheless evident that they realize the party selected a formidable candidate.

Paducah Republicans, even those who had leanings toward other candidates, recognize the fact that no "steam rolling" process could have been successful, though engineered by Roosevelt himself, if it had not had the overwhelming sentiment of the people behind it. Roosevelt, as one Republican said, was bold in his course because he knew he had the popular will behind him.

"Taft certainly handled himself with judgment," said a henchman of the allies, "all through the trying time before the convention. It would have been easy for a shallow man to have made a big blunder in a candidacy based on another man's popularity, but his course proves to me that he really has the ability that Roosevelt credits him with."

Long distance calls from surrounding towns to The Sun indicated the interest in the nomination, and general satisfaction was expressed over the choice. Taft will roll up a larger vote in Paducah than any other man could. The platform itself and the fact that he represents Roosevelt's way of doing things, will bring out the full party vote, and, from indications, many Democratic votes who are not satisfied with the peerless one's candidacy.

Interest in the outcome of the convention was intense in the city yesterday and telephones at The Sun office were kept ringing all day by anxious inquirers, the interest not alone confined to Republicans but Democrats and members of other political parties as well.

The first news of the nomination was flashed to The Sun in a bulletin from the United Press at 5:30 o'clock and an extra edition on the streets ten minutes later gave the public the news of the nomination, though this fact was clearly forecasted by reports in the regular edition.

Deputy Jailer T. L. Roeder will be out next week after a protracted sickness from an accidental pistol shot.

CAUTION EMBODIED IN CALL FOR MEETING OF FARMERS UNION BY ORGANIZER

Wants None But Loyal Members of Body to Participate in State Organization.

The official call for the meeting of delegates representing subordinate councils of the Farmers' Union to meet in Paducah to effect a state organization has been made by R. L. Barnett, the state organizer, who has notified the officers of the various unions to meet at once and select delegates.

That the meeting will be important and fears are entertained that opposition organizations may attempt to control the proceedings to the detriment of the Farmers' Union, is evidenced in Mr. Barnett's letter to the subordinate unions in which he says:

"The time has come for a close watch to be kept over our organization in Kentucky, and you should elect no member who is not in good standing and in harmony with our or-

RIVER 35 FEET AT ST. LOUIS STILL RISING

St. Louis, June 19.—The flood situation is becoming menacing with the river nearly 35 feet and still rising. Numerous new breaks in levees, are reported flooding thousands of acres of protected land. Only the Chicago & Alton embankment is protecting the entire Missouri bank of

CHOICE OF TAFT MANAGERS WINS ON FIRST BALLOT

Convention Completes Work and Adjourns Sine Die at 11:47 Amid Tremendous Enthusiasm.

Convention Hall, Chicago, June 19.—Congressman James S. Sherman, of the Twenty-seventh New York district, was unanimously elected for vice president at 11:30 o'clock this morning. The Sherman would be nominated was apparent at the opening of the convention this morning and names of but few "favorite sons" were placed before the convention. When New York voted solidly for Sherman his nomination was assured and Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, proved that the nomination was made unanimous.

The official vote stood: Sherman, 816; Murphy, 77; Guild, 75; Sheldon, 10; Fairbanks, 1. Murphy's vote—Alabama, 2; Colorado, 1; Connecticut, 14; Illinois, 3; Indiana, 4; Iowa, 4; Kansas, 1; Louisiana, 2; Mississippi, 1; New Jersey, 24; Ohio, 10; Pennsylvania, 8; South Carolina, 1; Wisconsin, 2. Guild's votes—Alabama, 1; Iowa, 7; Louisiana, 1; Maine, 3; Massachusetts, 32; Michigan, 8; Nebraska, 4; Ohio, 10; Wisconsin, 9. The vote to Sherman, Fairbanks got one vote in West Virginia and Wisconsin gave ten votes to Governor Sheldon of Nebraska.

Chicago, June 19.—The convention was again slow in assembling and it was nearly 10:30 o'clock when Senator Lodge called the body to order. The heat was terrific and the crowd was smaller since only a candidate for the vice presidency was to be nominated. New Yorkers entered the hall claiming Sherman's victory.

Senator Lodge opened proceedings by formally announcing Taft's nomination. Three New York marching clubs immediately entered the hall headed by a band with Sherman banners. A motion was adopted timing nominating speeches to ten minutes and the roll call for nominations was ordered. Delaware pledged to New York and Timothy Woodruff, state chairman, nominated Sherman.

NEW WHEAT 80 CENTS

Wheat dealers say that the price of that commodity will open this year at 80 cents per bushel. Active preparations for handling the crop is being made by the dealers and, barring the approach of rainy weather, it will be a great while until the crop will be put on the market.

President Reports From U. P.

Washington, June 19.—President Roosevelt received all convention news from the United Press. When reports from other sources were found cumbersome and inaccurate they were abandoned for the United Press. An operator was installed on a loop in the white house and furnished all reports to which the president resorted.

STEEL TRUST HAD MILLION DOLLAR FIRE

Shelby, O., June 19.—Fire caused a million dollar loss to the plant of the Shelby Steel Tube Works, a branch of the steel trust. Spontaneous combustion is responsible for the fire. Four acres of buildings were burned.

Gomper's View of Platform.

Chicago, June 19.—President Gomper, of the American Federation of Labor, declares the Republican platform labor plank is not anti-injunction but a pro-injunction plank, that the only difference is that the people elected shall have notice.

Speaker Cannon seconded the nomination and was given a great ovation. Governor Willson, of Kentucky, also seconded the nomination of Sherman.

Senator Lodge nominated Governor Guild, of Massachusetts, and F. A. Denison, a negro, presided while Senator Lodge was talking. Thomas McCarter nominated former Governor Murphy, of New Jersey.

Chicago, June 19.—Up until the opening of the convention at 10 o'clock this morning the greatest uncertainty regarding the vice-presidency prevailed. Leaders caucused throughout the night but were unable to settle the question. Hitchcock had been trying to force Doltiver's nomination, but met with slight success. It was reported his failure caused Hitchcock to become angry and he had stormy interviews with several delegates.

New Yorkers Boon Sherman.

New Yorkers were booming Sherman, but it is reported Roosevelt opposed his nomination. Governor Hanley's speech nominating Fairbanks is reported to have offended President Roosevelt and Governor Hanley may not Fairbanks out of the race for vice-president.

The national committee meets after the convention adjourns and it is expected a sub-committee will be named to confer with Taft to select a national chairman. Hitchcock is regarded as the likeliest candidate.

Roosevelt Congratulates Sherman.

Washington, June 19.—President Roosevelt telegraphed Sherman: "Accept hearty congratulations and good wishes for success of ticket of Taft, Sherman." Taft also telegraphed congratulations.

Taft Resigns.

Washington, June 19.—Taft announced his resignation as war secretary effective June 30. President Roosevelt announced that Luk Wright, of Tennessee, will succeed Taft.

Washington, June 19.—Taft wired to Sherman to meet him tomorrow in Cincinnati to discuss the selection of a national chairman and campaign plans.

Leaders Pleased.

Chicago, June 19.—Senator Bryan of Oklahoma, said as goes New York so goes the nation and that Oklahoma intended to go with New York.

Governor Willson, of Kentucky, said "Taft and Sherman sounds good to us. The name has a good republican sound. With these standard bearers we are ready to meet all opposition and carry everything before us in November."

Campaign Chairman.

Chicago, June 19.—Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, was chosen temporary chairman of the new national committee until the candidates decide on a permanent chairman. Elver Dover, of Ohio, was re-elected secretary.

THE SUN'S GREAT VOTING CONTEST.

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