

HILL'S CONVENTION MAKES SLOW PROGRESS

Committees Have So Much on Their Hands Trying to Fix Things to Their Liking That They Beg for More Time, Which Has to be Given Them.

Porto Rico Delegates Admitted but Philippine Delegates are Barred—Bryan Prepares Minority Report and is Backed by Several States He Also Works on Platform.

St. Louis, July 7.—The Democratic national convention reconvened at 10 o'clock this morning. Great crowds again gathered about the entrance. The day opened fair but hot. The credentials committee sat till 4 o'clock this morning. W. J. Bryan appeared before it at 3 o'clock a. m., after the Illinois cases had been disposed of. He asked for a reconsideration of the cases to enable him to make a minority report. The committee said he could make a minority report anyhow. The Oklahoma, Wisconsin, Minnesota and Rhode Island delegates favored his minority report. The committee sustained the national committee except as to the Twenty-first Illinois district. Champ Clark Permanent Chairman. Senator Bailey, of Texas, declined the permanent chairmanship, saying he wishes to be on the floor when the platform is discussed. Champ Clark, of Missouri, was then selected as permanent chairman.

Applaud the Prayer. The convention was called to order at 10:13 a. m. The prayer was by Archbishop Glennon and was applauded, probably on account of its terseness and excellent delivery. The report of the committee on rules and order of business was read. The weather became cooler and the temperature in the hall is much more comfortable than yesterday.

Convention Hall, St. Louis, July 7.—At 10 o'clock the credentials committee was again in session, but was not ready to report for an hour later. On taking the chair Permanent Chairman Champ Clark made one of his characteristic speeches, provoking much applause. Among the things he said are abstracts here given. Mr. Clark said: "King David would be sure all men are liars if he could have heard Senator Lodge read the Republican platform at Chicago about the government having become the government of the classes for the classes and by the classes."

"Must we support the Philippine policy right or wrong? Is Roosevelt of this country like Louis XIV? Are we returning to George the Third? Johnson says Arthur and Harrison, all one-termers, were less aggressive than Roosevelt in having their way in spite of the party or public. Felons get property under false pretences, but Roosevelt is thus seeking office on his tariff and other policies, as is shown by how Roosevelt formerly stood on the tariff and now claims to be a stand-patter."

"While Americans are paying double rate, others pay less for steel rails. "Knox was transferred from attorney general to the Senate at the behest of the trusts."

Clark quoted from a recent interview by Assistant Secretary of State Spooner as follows: "While in New York I spent ten days on Wall street. I find there no longer any disposition to make a fight. In accepting the situation the feeling toward Roosevelt seems to have undergone a change. I heard many friendly comments. I confess I am surprised at the change."

Clark roused the audience in a burlesque of Louisian as the government's agent on Wall street. "Roosevelt changed not the trust magnates."

Philippines Excluded. Senator South, of Arkansas, moved to amend the report of the committee on credentials so as to admit delegates from the Philippines. Chairman Grand explained that the committee had admitted the Porto Rico delegates because the national committee called Porto Rico in the call, following the decision of the Supreme Court, which had ruled that Porto Rico was a part of the United States and that the Philippines were not. Therefore, the Philippine delegates were excluded by the committee.

South explained that it never had been part of Democratic doctrine to consider the insular possessions as a part of the United States, and he was opposed to admitting any such delegates and asked the convention to vote down that part of the report before the committee on credentials reported. He demanded the roll call, but was not supported.

The vote was taken and the report of the committee adopted. The delegate from Porto Rico took the platform and thanked the convention for its action. The secretary made the announcement that the committee on permanent organization had not agreed on a report and wanted the members to meet for a conference. The report of the committee on credentials was called for, and the answer came that they would not be ready before 2 o'clock. Thereupon a recess was taken until the afternoon. Bryan Works on Platform. Mr. Bryan went direct from the convention to the room of the committee on platform and entered on the work in hand there.

WAR NEWS

By Associated Press. Tokio, July 7.—A Japanese gumbot struck a mine in Talewan bay and sank today.

By Associated Press. Liao Yang, July 7.—A trustworthy report states that Gen. Mischehenko on July 5 captured a large convoy of Japanese provisions, including 50 cattle.

By Associated Press. Ta Tane Kaio, July 7.—On Wednesday morning the Japanese advanced on Kai Chou, compelling Gen. Chirikoff, with the center Russian vanguard, to fall back. The Japanese came within five miles of Kai Chou. Gen. Samsonoff made an effort to check the Japanese, but, fearing his retreat would be cut off, he fell back and is now holding Kai Chou.

Ebert Dawson in Critical Condition. The many friends of W. Ebert Dawson, the proprietor of the Palace Barber shop, on Pike street, are very much concerned over his serious condition. He lies critically ill at the Harrison county Hospital, where he has been for the past two weeks. Complications have set in and the gravest fears are being entertained about his recovery.

SLEASE & CO. GO TO WALL

FAILURE OF THE BROKERAGE FIRM OF EDWIN C. SLEASE & CO. IS ANNOUNCED IN NEW YORK.

Concern Had a Branch Office in Clarksburg Some Months Ago—Has Branches in Wheeling, Pittsburg, Newcastle, Pa., and Youngstown, O.

By Associated Press. New York, July 7.—The failure of Edwin T. C. Slease & Co., stock brokers, is announced. The company had branches at Wheeling, W. Va.; Pittsburg, Pa.; Youngstown, O., and New Castle, Pa.

Slease & Co. conducted a branch office in Clarksburg last fall under the local management of Mr. Slobdeiman. The branch did not prove to be a profitable one and it was abandoned after a few months, the office fixtures and other paraphernalia being taken in charge by constables under attachment proceedings. The office was located in the Jacobs building.

TRAINMEN INJURED

In the Wreck of a Freight Train Caused by a Washout on Ohio Central Railroad.

By Associated Press. Bellefontaine, O., July 7.—Five members of the crew of the freight train on the St. Marys branch of the Ohio Central railroad which was wrecked by a washout near here this morning, Flagman McCarter, brakeman Collinson, Foreman Mac Davidson, Conductor Silket and Engineer Rapstock, were all injured, Davidson seriously.

Broderick Will Recover. The condition of John Broderick, the Columbia coal miner who was struck by a freight train on the Baltimore & Ohio railroad tracks near the tin plate mills Monday evening, and who is receiving medical attention at the Kessler Hospital, is much better and he stands favorable chances of recovering. He is suffering great pain from his hurts, but his general condition is such that the doctors think he will recover in due time.

Of the Proceedings of St. Louis Convention Is Received by Judge Parker at Esopus—He Is Inaccessible to All Visitors.

NEWS BY TELEPHONE

By Associated Press. Esopus, N. Y., July 7.—Judge Parker is inaccessible to all visitors. His secretary receives telephonic news from the St. Louis convention and reports it to the judge. It is said today that the judge has had no communication since the convention began with anyone there.

Adamston Town Council Meets. The Adamston town council held a regular meeting Wednesday night in the new town hall with all members present. Engineer D. D. Britt presented the map of the town ordered by the council at a previous meeting and the same was accepted. Routine and miscellaneous matters were disposed of. There was no important business to attend to.

County Court Takes Recess. The county court adjourned Wednesday evening until Friday morning on account of the Democratic district convention. It has finished the settlement with the sheriff and has taken up the laying of the annual levies.

Mr. Loar's Daughter Dead. Miss Lulu Loar, 14-year-old daughter of L. L. Loar, of Grafton, member of the firm Loar & White here, died at her home at 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon from an operation a few days ago for appendicitis.

Teachers' Salaries Fixed. The boards of education of Eagle and Elk districts have held their first meeting in the new scholastic year. In Eagle teachers' salaries were fixed at \$40, \$35 and \$30, and in Elk they will be \$40, \$35 and \$25.

News Company Improves Building. The Pike News Company has made a very convenient improvement at their place of business by putting in a large bay window, in which to display newspapers, books, periodicals and so forth.

Red Men Install Officers. Cheasaw Tribe, No. 36, Improved Order of Red Men, held a meeting Wednesday night and installed officers for the ensuing term. They also initiated three candidates and transacted routine business.

DEMOCRATS STUFF BALLOT BOX

MORE VOTES CAST THAN THEY HAD MEN PRESENT AND SOME ONE RAISES HOLLER.

GAG RULE USED AT ANOTHER CONVENTION AND SCRAMBLE ENDS FOR DELEGATES.

Order of Business Fixed Up in Both Clark and Coal Alike, Just Like a Slate—Ready-made Ballots Handed Around by Members of Clique.

The Democratic district conventions were held in the county Thursday afternoon to nominate district officers and elect delegates to the county, congressional, judicial and senatorial conventions.

In Clark district W. Scott called the convention to order with about 70 in attendance, and read the call.

John W. Coffman and Russell Johnson were placed in nomination for permanent chairman. The ballot resulted in 23 for Coffman and 41 for Johnson, who was declared chairman.

P. M. Robinson was chosen secretary by acclamation. Charles F. Holden offered the following order of business:

Members of executive council, district officers, delegates to congressional convention, judicial delegates, senatorial delegates and county delegates. Camden Summers' motion to reverse the order was lost and Holden's motion prevailed.

R. A. Garrett was elected a member of the executive committee. Will Thompson having his name withdrawn.

A motion that the executive committee name the district officers was lost by an amendment to nominate them.

Joseph Parrill and Corbin B. Bradford were nominated for justices of the peace. C. C. Edgell and C. E. Brooks were nominated for constables.

Delegates to the various conventions were then selected as follows: Judicial—Harvey F. Smith, J. J. Davis and T. Harrison; alternates, J. W. Coffman, P. C. Williams and W. S. Seis.

Senatorial—Lee Maxwell, Edward Bussey and Marsh Martin; alternates, W. G. Keater, A. F. Greathouse and Hugh Mearns.

County Delegates—Charles L. Hickman, T. C. White, Russell Johnson, Lee Maxwell, Hugh Jarvis, J. W. Davis, Asbury Greathouse, Joseph Parrill, T. M. Hood and Will Thompson; alternates, E. W. Wood, C. P. Howell, L. R. Hoff, Edward Bussey, E. G. Smith, W. S. Seis, Albert Carter, John Clifford, L. D. Holden, B. D. Cox.

Congressional—J. W. Davis, William Brent and John Dolan; alternates, R. A. Garrett, C. L. Hickman and E. G. Smith. Gag rule prevailed throughout.

When the required number were put in nomination, no more names were allowed to go before the convention, and in several instances names were unceremoniously dropped after the quota had been presented.

When the time came to nominate county delegates a dozen men were on their feet at once and it was a scramble to see who named his man first.

Over in Coal district there were not nearly as many people, but they had the votes all the same. Ballot box stuffing was resorted to and the result showed more votes were cast by nine than were present. A long wrangle ensued, but nothing was accomplished. They kept the stuffing up. Another feature was the ready-made tickets passed around by members of the Democratic clique. Still another feature was the prominent part some of the Herald gang took in the affair.

Andrew Lyon and Charles Bonnell were nominated for constables and the selection of candidates for justice of the peace was left to the executive committee. M. J. Francis was chosen member of the executive committee.

Delegates were selected as follows: Judicial—Osman Swartz, T. T. Wallis and P. E. McDonald; alternates, J. E. Allen, Arthur Stemple and John Tierney. Senatorial—Amos Payne, J. F. Aller and J. H. Davis; alternates, D. K. Reed, R. D. Mayo and N. R. Mason.

At 4:30 o'clock, press hour, they were still wrangling over county delegates.

BIG FLOOD IN KANSAS

Wichita, Kan., July 7.—Wichita has the worst flood in the city's history. The dikes at several places gave way along Little river and water poured down the principal streets in torrential waist deep.

Topeka, Kan., July 7.—In North Topeka water is running through the principal streets knee deep. The river is rising slowly.

TEACHERS ELECTED

FOR THE CITY SCHOOLS FOR THE COMING YEAR BY BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Most All of the Former Teachers Re-elected, but Four New Ones Elected—Facilities Will be Increased if Rooms Can be Obtained.

The board of education of the Clarksburg school district met Thursday night in the office of the secretary, Harvey W. Harner.

The annual levy was laid, 45 cents for the teachers' fund and 30 cents for building.

Superintendent F. L. Burdette was re-elected at a salary of \$1,200 a year, as were also Prof. Oris McConkey as principal of the high school at \$85 a month, J. Walter Duncan as principal of the West End school at \$55 a month, C. D. Clemens principal of the Alta Vista school at \$65 a month, J. W. Robinson principal of the colored school at \$60 a month, W. H. Franklin first assistant of high school at \$70 a month and Miss Anna Dunn second assistant of high school at \$60 a month. The other teachers elected as follows: will receive \$50 a month:

White Schools—C. R. Hartman, Ida Highley, Isola Shinn, Hettie Young, Mabel Lee, Icie Williams, Lelia Rapp, Alice Goodwin, Elizabeth Gregg, Agnes Morrison, Blanche Steele, Florida Smith, Mrs. Callie Clifford, Buena Ayers, Mary Ann, Eval Watkins, Rebecca Carskadon and Allie Ash.

Colored Schools—R. W. Sedwick, Florence Ruffin, Florence Selon and Willa Lee. All the white teachers selected were re-elected except the four named last, and all the colored teachers are the same as last year.

The list of white teachers elected is one short of last year, but it is the intention to fill that place and elect four more teachers, if rooms can be obtained for holding school. This measure will be taken on account of the crowded condition of the schools.

MANY MORE HOUSES

Are to be Erected at Grasselli Industrial Addition—Contract for Fifteen Is Awarded to W. B. Virgie & Co.

W. B. Virgie & Company have been awarded the contract for the construction of 15 dwelling houses at the Grasselli industrial addition by the Davis-Horner Company. Mr. Virgie will start the work at once and rush the houses to an early completion. He will also build four dwelling houses for himself in a short time. Grasselli industrial addition is growing rapidly, and it will be a regular little city in itself in no great time.

KANSAS CITIES FLOODED

One-half of the Armourdale Packing House Town Is Under Water and Hundreds Have Left Their Homes—Great Damage Done.

By Associated Press. Kansas City, July 7.—One-half of the Armourdale Packing House town is under water and the river is still rising. The flood may equal that of 1903. Hundreds have left their homes and great damage has been done at other points on the Kaw river.

The house of Cass Woods, a policeman, was washed away and Mrs. Woods and two children were drowned.

Some Oil Notes. In the Polson district, this county, the South Penn Company's No. 2 Jesse Ashcraft, No. 4 C. E. Robinson and No. 5 M. P. Dye are producing 100 barrels each.

On the east side of the Polson district, in Harrison county, the same company has drilled its No. 8 on the C. E. Robinson farm 15 feet into the Gordon, and the hole has filled up 1,200 feet with oil.

The South Penn Oil Company's No. 1 on the R. E. Gardner farm, in Calhoun, is holding up at 100 barrels a day. The same company's Nos. 3 and 4 on the Camden-Sommers farm are producing 110 barrels each.

Crops Destroyed by Rain. By Associated Press. Columbus, O., July 7.—An unusually heavy rain fell last night northeast of this city and thousands of dollars' worth of wheat and corn were destroyed.

Chicago Grain Market. By Associated Press. Chicago, July 7.—Wheat, 90 3/4; corn, 89 1/4; soybeans, 38 1/2.

SURPRISE WEDDING

Of Mr. Ira Cain, of Carlisle Court, and Miss Finley, of New Haven—Occurred at Oakland Several Days Ago.

The many friends of Mr. Ira Cain, of Carlisle Court, will be surprised at the news that he is married. Mr. Cain is a well-known and popular flagman for the Baltimore & Ohio railroad and a week ago he took a short vacation. No one knew how he intended to spend that vacation and the fact that he became a benedict last Monday week was kept a profound secret until today, when he took a friend or two into his confidence, and, of course, the newspaper man was soon told about it. On that day Miss Jeannette Finley, a beautiful and popular young lady of New Haven, W. Va., met him here and they went quietly to Oakland, where they were pronounced husband and wife by one of the several ministers there who start so many young people on the pleasant pathway of married life. The bride at present is at her home in New Haven, and it will be necessary just at this time for Mr. Cain to receive not his own share, but hers also, of the congratulations that will be showered after this is read.

MISS BARNES IS DEAD

Death Occurred Near Pittsburg, Where She Was Visiting Friends, and Was Caused by Typhoid Fever.

Miss Hattie Barnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Barnes, of Haroh, died near Pittsburg Wednesday of typhoid fever. Several weeks ago she went there to visit friends and took the fever, from which her death resulted. She was 20 years of age and an excellent young lady.

Up to the time of her departure for Pittsburg she was secretary of the Northview Baptist Sunday school and one of that church's most active workers in that section. The remains will arrive here tonight on the Pittsburg flyer and be taken charge of by the Boggs Undertaking Company. They will be interred tomorrow either here or at Mt. Olive Church cemetery, near Salem. Rev. Robert B. McDaniel will conduct the obsequies.

ARCHITECTS AWARDED CONTRACT

Holmboe & Lafferty Get the Contract for the Big Jennings Building in Grafton Over Plans of Other Architects.

Architects Holmboe & Lafferty, of this city, whose success in West Virginia and other states is a matter of note, have been awarded another splendid contract. It is the architectural work and superintendence of a store and apartment building for William Jennings in Grafton. It will be built adjacent to the building of the Grafton Banking & Trust Company and will be a duplicate of that handsome structure. The approximate cost will be \$30,000. Several other architects submitted plans and specifications, but those of Messrs. Holmboe & Lafferty, being strictly modern in every respect, found favor and were adopted, which is another testimonial of the high character of the work of this very enterprising firm.

PROGRAM

Carried Out by the Broad Run Baptist Sunday School Convention at Mt. Zion Church Today.

The program carried out by the Broad Run Baptist Sunday school convention at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church, near Churchville, today was as follows: Thursday, 9 a. m.—Devotional, Levi Lightner.

9:30—The Sunday School as an Auxiliary to the Church, W. E. Henry. 10:00—Questionable Tendencies in Sunday School Methods, L. E. Peters. 10:30—The Work of the Superintendent, W. C. Cumston.

11:00—How Shall We Get the Unsaved Into the Sunday School? L. W. Holden. 11:30—The Church, School and Home: Are They Rivals or Helpers? J. C. Cox. Thursday, 1:30 p. m.—Devotional, A. Bailey.

2:00—(a) B. Y. P. U. from the Devotional Standpoint, Arthur Hank. (b) B. Y. P. U. from the Educational Standpoint, W. E. Henry. (c) What It Does for Our Young People, L. W. Holden. 3:00—Sunday School Gannery, L. E. Peters. 3:30—Miscellaneous.

PRISONERS KIDNAPPED

By Masked Men as They Were Being Departed by Deputies and Militia From Colorado.

By Associated Press. Victor, Col., July 7.—Five miners who were deported by the military forces and who returned here, were arrested by civil officers and two deputy sheriffs, who started last night to escort them out of camp. They were met by half a dozen masked men, who disarmed the deputies and took away the prisoners to another large body of masked men. When the deputies reported to matter the military made a search for the kidnapped men, but in vain.

Three Drunks. Three plain drunks were brought into the presence of Mayor Shields at the regular session of police court Thursday morning. All acknowledged their offense and fines of \$3 and costs were assessed each prisoner. One had enough money to pay his fine and obtain his liberty, while the other two were sent into durance vile for three days each.

WEST END SALOON BURGLARIZED

TWO COLORED FELLOWS SEEN TO ENTER BY MEANS OF TRANSMOM AND FRONT DOOR AT MIDNIGHT.

OPENED CASH REGISTER WITH FILE, BUT FOUND NO CASH—STOLE WATCHES AND WHISKY.

One Was Tall Fellow Dressed in Light Clothes and Other Low Heavyset Man.—Woman in Neighborhood Saw Them Enter.

The West End saloon, owned by Frank Gaughan, was burglarized Wednesday night by two colored men, who were not identified.

A woman in that neighborhood states that she saw a tall colored fellow dressed in light clothes and a low, heavyset colored fellow in front of the saloon about 12:30 o'clock and that one helped the other up to the transom of the front door, which he pried open and then he entered the saloon through the space and let himself down on the inside. Reaching the floor, he pulled back the night latch and opened the door. The other fellow entered and they closed the door, after which they quietly went about the work of burglary.

The cash register was broken into by means of a file, but they found nothing in it, as the saloon had been burglarized a time or two before and Mr. Gaughan had been careful after that to take all the cash from the saloon at night. They stole three watches that had been left in soak for whisky and took a gallon of standard whisky that was in bottles.

The description given above is the only clue so far as to the burglars, and there is no idea as to their identity.

MR. BRADY

Asked to Join Merchants & Manufacturers' Association of Pittsburg on Tour of State and Introduce Members to Business Men Here.

Thomas G. Brady, of this city, director of agents for West Virginia for the Pittsburg Life and Trust Company, has been invited to join the Merchants and Manufacturers' Association of Pittsburg on its tour through West Virginia and to introduce the members of the association to the business men of Clarksburg when they arrive here on July 13. The secretary tells Mr. Brady that the association will be glad to meet the representative business men of Clarksburg. The members of the association will arrive here on special train July 13 at 4:45 o'clock.

Silas Ash Buys Sine Property. Silas Ash has purchased the J. E. R. Sine residence property on West Pike street and he gets immediate possession. The price paid was approximately \$12,500. This is one of the handsomest and best properties in the city, and is very desirable on account of character and location.

Glen Elk Paving Progressing. The street paving in Glen Elk is progressing nicely and it will be completed in a short time. The paving extends on Clark street from North Fourth to North Fifth, thence on North Fifth to Baltimore street. One side of the street and the part between the street car rails has been finished and the workmen are getting the other side along rapidly.