

## TAFT THE REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT IN CLARKSBURG TUESDAY OCT. 20

Special Train of the distinguished Ohioan will arrive in Clarksburg in the afternoon and stay at the station 40 minutes, during which the Next President of the United States will discuss the issues of the Campaign. Every Citizen of Harrison and Surrounding Counties Should Make it a Point to be Present and Hear Mr. Taft. This Will be the Only Opportunity This Campaign.

### UNION MEN ARE IN SESSION HERE

Annual Convention of West Virginia State Federation of Labor OPENS IN THE CITY With a Good-Sized Attendance and is Welcomed in Address by Mayor.

The annual session of the West Virginia State Federation of Labor convened in this city Monday morning. Third Vice-President W. R. Talkington, of this city, called the session to order in the Pythian building at 10 o'clock and made a short address of welcome on behalf of the local members of the Federation. He then introduced Sam De Nedrey, of Washington, D. C., representing the American Federation of Labor, who discussed at some length injunctions, labor press, union labels, eight hour day and prison labor.

Mayor Edward J. Wood followed with a well chosen address of welcome and turned the keys of the city over to the Federation. Committees Appointed. The regular session of the convention then began with President Welch presiding. A committee on credentials and a press committee were appointed. The former consists of Peter Stanton, of Wheeling, Street Car Workers Union No. 103; J. W. Stitzer, of Clarksburg, Carpenter and Joiners No. 236; R. B. Willis, of Huntington Barbers Union No. 279; J. T. McGrew, Charleston, Carpenters and Joiners No. 1207; and Thomas McElhatten, of Wheeling, Stogie Makers No. 1.

The press committee consists of printers, namely, Ned Sims, Harry Mills and Robert Morrison, of Wheeling, Typographical Union No. 79; J. T. Fleider, of Huntington, Typographical Union No. 533, and Frank Snyder, of Charleston, Typographical Union No. 146.

After the appointment of the committees a recess was taken until 2 o'clock. In the afternoon awaiting the report of the credentials committee.

At the opening session there were about fifty delegates present representing the various trades. Delegates Given Seats. At the afternoon session the report of the credential committee giving seats in the convention to the following delegates was adopted:

- W. J. Weidbusch, Bartenders Local No. 292, Wheeling.
- William Fritz, Teamsters No. 42, Wheeling.
- Peter Stanton, Thomas L. Padden O. M. Smith, A. A. of S. & E. W., No. 102, Wheeling.
- Albert Zimmerman, Thomas McElhatten, Charles Hugins and William H. Riley, Garfield Local No. 1, N. A. of S. M., Wheeling.
- Ned Sims, Central Body, Wheeling.
- J. W. Sitzer, Carpenter, No. 236, Clarksburg.
- J. T. Fleider, Typographical Union No. 533, Huntington.
- Frank W. Snyder, Typographical Union No. 146, Charleston.
- C. F. Coleman, Miners' No. 1764, Mucklow.
- E. W. Tittle, Miners' No. 1027, Carbondale.
- A. J. Hines, Miners' No. 2015, Plymouth.
- J. L. Pauley, Bartenders, 585, Charleston.
- S. B. Linkard, Stationery Engineers 121, Wheeling.
- Joseph List, Flint Glass Workers, 49, Fairmont.
- Michael Bliz and F. M. Quann, Flint Glass Workers, 2, Wheeling.
- R. J. Sullivan, Barbers, 348, Clarksburg.
- J. S. Kearns, Bartenders, 105, Clarksburg.
- Thomas McEwen, Central Body, Clarksburg.
- T. H. Bevier, Typographical Union No. 372, Clarksburg.
- J. P. McGrew, Carpenter, 1207, Charleston.
- Thomas E. Killkoyne, Bollermakers 249, Huntington.
- W. B. Agee, Carpenters, 1207, Charleston.
- W. F. Garvey, Machinists, 690, Benwood.
- Robert T. Morrison, Typographical Union No. 79, Wheeling.
- W. P. Curry, Moulders, 457, Huntington, 457.
- R. B. Willis, Barbers, 279, Huntington.
- John J. Miles, Potters, 46, Wheeling.

### HELD PRISONER IN THE WOODS

Is a Young Woman by Two Men and She Perishes in Swamp Finally.

HUNTINGTON, Oct. 19.—Kidnaped from home, and kept a prisoner in the woods by two men several days, Mrs. Abbie Meerlongola, of this place, is believed to be crazed and has wandered to death in a swamp. Two men suspected of kidnapping her last Saturday are under arrest.

### YOUNG WIFE DEAD

Mrs. J. B. Allen Succumbs to Consumption at Her Abode in Broad Oaks.

The funeral of Mrs. J. B. Allen, who died in Broad Oaks Sunday evening, will take place Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock at Sycamore Dale.

### BANQUET GIVEN

By the Japanese to Admiral Sperry and Officers of the Fleet.

TOKIO, Japan, Oct. 19.—Admiral Sperry and the officers of the United States battleship fleet were banqueted at the Imperial hotel this evening. An audience with the Emperor and Empress of Japan will take place tomorrow. It is understood Sperry is the bearer of the message from President Roosevelt to the Emperor of Japan.

Yokohama tonight is ablaze with illuminations.

Patrick Duffy, Potters, 79, Wheeling. William Coughlin, Brewery Workers, 155, Clarksburg.

Officers of Federation. The officers of the Federation are W. F. Welch, of Wheeling, president; H. W. Powers, Elkins, first vice president; H. P. Corcoran, Wheeling, second vice president; W. R. Talkington, Clarksburg, third vice president; J. H. Crumb, Huntington, fourth vice president; R. B. Willis, of Huntington, fifth vice president; and W. T. Curry, Huntington, secretary-treasurer.



KEEP IT UP!

### TIN PLATE WORKERS MAKE FINE SHOWING IN PARADE

#### MAINE ARRIVES

At Portsmouth, N. H., from Cruise Around World—Alabama Due Tomorrow.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Oct. 19.—The battleship Maine, the first of the Atlantic fleet to return to the United States after a tour of the world, was sighted off the entrance to the harbor here at 7 o'clock this morning and docked a short time later. The Maine and the Alabama, the latter of which is expected to arrive in New York tomorrow, were detached from the fleet at San Francisco and organized into a special service squadron which acted as pathfinder for the battleships in the cruise around the world.

#### DEDICATED

Is the Elegant New Methodist Protestant Church at New Fair Grounds. The new Methodist Protestant church at the new fair grounds was dedicated Sunday. The sermon was preached by the Rev. C. L. Queen, of Grafton. Of the \$1,300 indebtedness, \$265 was raised and most of the other provided for. The services continued throughout the day and there was a large attendance.

#### DR. OGDEN RETURNS.

Dr. C. R. Ogden has returned from Louisville, where he and Mrs. Ogden attended the convention of the Mississippi Valley Medical Association. Mrs. Ogden went from that city to Columbus to visit relatives.

#### OFFICERS ARE MOVED.

Shinn Brothers have moved their offices from the Irwin building to room 5 in the Moore building on Fourth street, where they will be pleased to see all their patrons and furnish estimates on all kinds of brick work.

#### SYNOD HERE NEXT YEAR.

The Presbyterian Synod in annual session at Sistersville selected Clarksburg as the next annual meeting place next October, an invitation of the local church having been extended.

#### BRAYN IN ILLINOIS.

EAST ST. LOUIS, Ill., Oct. 19.—W. J. Bryan began a day of speech making in Illinois with a talk to a large crowd of workmen at the relay depot here.

#### Entire Force Turns Out and Parade is Largest Here Since That of Four Years Ago.

The members of the Republican club of the Phillips Sheet & Tin Plate mills were out in full force Saturday night in a political parade, the size of which was magnificent and the enthusiasm manifested was great. The Phillips sheet and Tin Plate Republican Club gave a remarkable demonstration Saturday night in behalf of the Republican party. The street pageant was a grand and happy surprise to all Republicans, and to all others who intend to vote the Republican ticket this year. "Eight hundred in line at least," was the comment of even leading Democrats. Others said "there may be a few of us left." Partisan Democrats frowned and some of the active leaders. It is said, were responsible for the insult heaped upon the workmen, when eggs were thrown from a balcony into the columns of marchers.

The parade was headed by mounted horsemen splendidly caparisoned, the riders being on white horses. They followed by the Tin Plate Band, which played patriotic music in a manner that displayed high efficiency and enthusiastic sympathy. Next in line were pedestrians, members of the club by hundreds with unique campaign caps and elegant campaign canes, with sheets of tin plate displayed in profusion. Then came other elegantly mounted horsemen, followed by a long column of pedestrians, while the officers of the club in carriages sandwiched in. Campaign floats bearing the pictures of Taft and Sherman and Glasscock were carried as well as others, proclaiming the intention of the marchers to vote the Republican ticket. Red fire at various points added to the imposing spectacle.

The streets along the line of march especially in the business section, were lined with throngs of cheering spectators and there were hearty and continuous responses by the marchers. Not since the memorable ratification parade of four years ago has there been such a large and enthusiastic demonstration of a political nature in the city. It was not only a highly creditable one but a most impressive one, showing the public the real attitude of the hundreds of men, who are employed in Clarksburg's leading industry, the annual payroll of which, \$600,000, is an important factor in the commercial life of the community and a suspension or curtailment of which would materially affect the welfare of the city.

John D. Pickens, of Quiet Dell, was a business visitor here Monday.

#### MILLS RUNNING

At Richwood, Camden-on-Gauley and Curtin Says Mr. Chas. Johnston.

Charles D. Johnston, proprietor of the Yew Pine Inn at Richwood, while here Monday expressed indignation over the reports published to the effect that the big mills of his section have been closed down. He says that only the mills of the Cherry River Pulp & Lumber Company mills were ed and that was for two weeks, owing to scarcity of water. They are in active operation now. The W. S. Mouser Tannery Company is also operating its mills as is the Dodge Clothes Pin Company its plant, and the mills at Curtin and Camden-on-Gauley are also running full. Neither the panic nor the drought, he says, interfered with the operation of these big industrial plants.

#### TRAINS CLASH

Engineer is Killed and Score of Passengers Hurt Near Newton, Kansas.

NEWTON, Kansas, Oct. 19.—The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe passenger train known as the Oklahoma and Texas express which left Kansas City last night collided head on with an extra stock train near here. David Roberts, engineer of the stock train, was killed, and nearly twenty-two passengers were injured, but none fatally.

#### BURGLARS

Visit Home of Mr. Nuzum and Steal Money and Valuable Papers. Burglars entered the home of W. F. Nuzum on Sycamore street some time Saturday night and stole \$6 in money, valuable papers and other articles. They have not been apprehended and there is no clue. The burglary was not discovered until Sunday morning.

#### MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Samuel W. Baker and Alma G. Talkington and Harry L. Mpsgrave and Bessie L. Garrett.

### CROWDS COMING TO TAFT MEETING

### FATALLY HURT AT CROSSING

Malcolm Pastorius, Glassworker, Victim of the Death Trap.

Barnes's Crossing, known as the B. & O. death trap, claimed another victim Saturday night when Malcolm Pastorius, a glassworker employed at the Haze-Atlas glass factory, died in a local hospital of injuries received at the crossing when he was run over by a yard engine. The victim had one leg cut off and the other nearly severed and mangled besides sustaining other bad injuries. The accident occurred about 5 o'clock. The injured man was taken to the Baltimore & Ohio hospital at the station and from that place he was taken to a hospital in the city where he lingered until Saturday midnight when he died.

Pastorius was 65 years old, a veteran of the Civil war, member of the Grand Army of the Republic and a pensioner of the government. He resided in Clarksburg for four years during which time he worked as a gatherer in local glass factories Patrick Golden, a nephew, and William Pastorius, a brother, of Brownsville, Pa., arrived here Sunday evening from their homes in response to messages telling them of the man's death. Another brother, Theodore Pastorius, residing in Marion, Ind., is also expected to arrive here. The dead man was an uncle of the Brooklyn baseball pitcher by that name.

The funeral will be held in this city Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock. Services led by the Rev. Dr. McClelland, of the First Presbyterian church will be held at the Clifford-Osborn chapel and the burial will be in Elk View cemetery. The National Window Glass Workers will have charge of the funeral and all members in the city are requested to meet at the Clifford-Osborn chapel promptly at 10 o'clock.

### MURRAY HERE

With Several Other Railroad Officials on Annual Inspection Tour.

President Oscar G. Murray of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company together with several other high officials of the company spent the night here on his annual inspection of the Baltimore & Ohio system. Others of the party are Third Vice President G. T. Polter, General Superintendent F. C. Batheider, Chief Engineer D. D. Caruthers and Division Superintendent E. B. Williams. They came in from the East on a special at 5:45 last evening and departed this morning at 9 o'clock for Parkersburg. During their stay here they inspected the company's property at this point.

### EUTHUSIASTIC

Greeting is Accorded W. H. Taft at Newark, N. J., by Big Crowd.

NEWARK, N. J., Oct. 19.—William Howard Taft arrived here early today on his first day of state campaigning which will embrace three states. His itinerary covers New Jersey and Delaware, ending with a meeting at Baltimore tonight. He was given an enthusiastic greeting here by a large crowd.

### PERISH IN FIRE

Father Breaks Neck and Three Children Burn to Death.

MT. STERLING, Ky., Oct. 19.—News from Paintsville, Johnson county, says that George Stafford's residence caught fire and that he was killed and his three children were burned to death today. Mr. Stafford jumped from a second story window and broke his neck.

Special Train is Scheduled to Arrive at 4:18 O'Clock Tomorrow Afternoon.

### SPEAKS AT THE DEPOT

Reception is to Be Large and Enthusiastic to the Next President.

All is expectancy for the coming of William H. Taft, Republican candidate for the presidency of the United States, tomorrow afternoon. Mr. Taft and party will arrive from the East on a special train, accompanied by the local reception committee, which will join the party at Grafton.

An unusually large crowd is expected. Many are coming from adjoining counties and the city and county will be splendidly represented.

Arrangements have been made for the running of a number of extra cars on the interurban line and all the city lines will be busy. The trains coming in from the several cardinal points are expected to bring throngs to the city and the crowd promises to be multitudinous.

A big platform is in course of construction on Baltimore street opposite Fifth street, which will be appropriately decorated for the occasion, and from this Judge Taft will deliver his address. The various committees are working enthusiastically for the affair and have every feature under good headway, with prospects of complete success in the lines of work assigned to them.

As stated elsewhere Congressman W. P. Hubbard will preside. Prominent men accompanying Judge Taft will be Senator Nathan B. Scott and Hon. William E. Glasscock, nominee for governor.

The reception committee composed of Col. Thomas B. Seely, Maj. A. Moore, Col. Henry Raymond, E. T. Weir and Raymond Maxwell held a meeting today and decided to go to Grafton to meet the Taft party and accompany it here. They will go down on the accommodation train tomorrow morning.

The Taft party will arrive here at 4:18 o'clock in the afternoon and remain 40 minutes.

### SENT TO ASYLUM

Is Clarence Stout, Who is Insane as Result of Attack of Measles.

Clarence Stout, aged 18 years, son of Mrs. Mary Stout, of Grassell, was committed Monday forenoon by Justice James N. David to the asylum at Weston for the insane. He became demented as the result of measles and a general break down. He is violent. As soon as the papers are examined at the asylum a guard will come after him.

### TROLLEY WRECK

Occurs in Kansas City Streets and a Man is Killed.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 19.—Three trolley cars on the Troost avenue line collided at Thirteenth and Troost avenue here today and were badly wrecked. R. L. Smith, of Nevada, Mo., was killed and fifteen other passengers were injured.

### RELEASED WITHOUT TRIAL

Five men were arrested by policemen Saturday night for drunkenness and placed in the lock-up, but they were released Sunday evening without trials. Absalom Winters was arrested for fighting in Pike street Saturday night, but at the regular session of police court this morning his case was continued until Tuesday morning as he demanded the presence of witnesses who had to be summoned.

### MINISTERS MEET.

At 3 o'clock this afternoon the Ministers Union of the city met in the study of Goff Methodist Episcopal church for the purpose of organizing for the year, arranging for the Thanksgiving service, outlining a program for the year and electing officers.

### DANGER IS OVER.

ALPENA, Mich., Oct. 19.—Danger from forest fires appears to be over according to reports received from points north of here today.