

REPUBLICANS DEMAND A CLEAN CONVENTION Assembly District Clubs Meet and Perfect Organization.

Factional Fight in Democratic Ranks—Fierce Contest Between the Buckley Following and the Rainey-Examiner League—Bosses Assailed.

CLUBS throughout the city are making preparations for the primary election on August 8. At delegates will be chosen for the municipal nominating conventions of the respective political parties. The Republicans will elect 306 delegates, the Democrats 354, the People's party 74, Socialist Labor party 36, and the Citizens' Republican party 155 delegates.

The work in hand at the present time relates chiefly to make up delegate tickets in the various districts. In Democratic ranks there is a red hot fight. Three factions are contending for the prize. The Democratic League of Clubs, of the Buckley faction, is putting up a vigorous fight, in which the skill of organization is displayed. The executive committee of the Committee of One Hundred is the directing agency of another faction, known as the Reform Democracy, of which Gavin Mc-Nab and Jasper McDonald are leaders. The third faction is known as the Rainey-Examiner League. This combination derives its chief strength from the Fire Department.

Disinterested spectators predict that the Buckley clubs will elect more delegates than the clubs of any other faction will elect. Last night the representatives of the Buckley clubs met at their general headquarters in the Baldwin Annex. They were enthusiastic and confident of success.

The Rainey-Examiner League is working under cover and perhaps working effectively. Leading Democrats are sent for and promised official favor if they will stand in with the Fire Department and Rainey. There is not much activity at the headquarters of the executive committee of the Reform Democracy, but the leaders manifest the greatest confidence in the ability of the organization to control the convention.

Indications are that the Republicans will elect a convention representing the best citizenship of San Francisco. Since the boss scheme of a blanket ticket was overturned, the bosses have had a small share in the campaign. The clubs organized under the auspices of the Republican County Committee are making a special effort to get the best men in each district placed on the ticket at the convention. The Central Republican Club, of which Henry T. Scott is president, has brought forward many good men who have consented that their names shall be placed on the ticket of the affiliated Republican Clubs are doing good work in bringing forward men of character and ability, who have signified consent to serve as delegates to the coming convention.

The Assembly District Clubs, organized Friday evening last week under the auspices of the Republican County Committee, met last night and elected delegates to the Advisory Central Club. The proceedings in the various districts were as follows:

THIRTY-EIGHTH DISTRICT—Advisory Committee: JOSEPH SPEAR, CHRIS DUNKER, CAPTAIN P. T. DUNKER, HARRY LOW and BARNEY DOUGHERTY. The meeting was held at a hall, the gathering was not as large as was expected. The meeting gathered in the building at 214 and 215 Broadway, at 8 o'clock. Addresses were made by J. H. Daly, Chris Dunker and others, after which the club adjourned to a hall of the city.

THIRTIETH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT—Advisory Committee: Henning, J. Fouch, S. Gianettoni, C. S. Moran, G. Alpers. As the place of meeting had heretofore been announced a big crowd assembled in Pythian Hall. There was a discussion of the selection of the delegates who will have a voice in the selection of the delegates for the coming municipal election. S. D. Moran, W. H. Jackson, G. Alpers, J. M. Douglas and Louis F. Wallace addressed the gathering after the labor of selection his minutes had been concluded. The meeting adjourned to the call of the chair.

MILLIONS IN BONDS WENT UP IN SMOKE



BURNING \$2,500,000 OF WORTHLESS PAPER.

BONDS of the Oakland Water Company to the value of \$2,500,000 went up in smoke in the basement of the Union Trust Company building yesterday afternoon. No loss resulted, however, other than the actual cost of the paper and the engraving thereon. The destruction was made necessary on account of a legal defect in the issuance of a second series. The bonds destroyed comprised two issues, the first being the original one of the Oakland Water Company of 1000 5 per cent gold bonds at a par value of \$1000 each, making \$1,000,000 in all. These were called in recently and a new issue of \$1,500,000 was voted by the directors of the company. This last issue was guaranteed by the Contra Costa Water Company, but it appears that there was a mistake in the call of the bonds, inasmuch as the latter concern providing for a meeting of the stockholders to guarantee the bonds. The meeting took place with all the directors present, but the legal defect of faulty notification was discovered by the attorney of the trust company before the bonds were issued, though they had already been signed by the officers of the water company. This necessitated the issuance of a new series, after all the legal requirements had been complied with.

The new bonds being in existence, it became necessary to cancel the defective issue, in addition to the original issue which had been replaced; and this was done by cremation to the satisfaction of all concerned. At the appointed time William J. Dingsie, president, and A. W. Rose, secretary of the Oakland Water Company; A. A. Watkinson, president of the Contra Costa Water Company, and C. de Guigne, vice president; and I. W. Hellman, secretary of the Union Trust Company, gathered in the fire room. The 2500 bonds were placed in the furnace, each official taking a hand in consigning them to the flames. The trust company was represented inasmuch as the bonds were secured by a deed of trust to the company as trustee, which certified that the new bonds had been properly issued.

Eddy was elected permanent president, W. H. Powers permanent vice president, and John Hardy permanent secretary. Resolutions were adopted endorsing the Supervisors for adhering to the dollar limit. It was also determined that the club did not desire any member of the County Committee, nor any Federal State or municipal officer to be selected as a delegate to the forthcoming municipal convention. The following named were elected: George W. Eddy, H. W. Fraser, J. McGee, W. H. Powers, E. S. Wallace, C. H. Johnson and W. J. Sam. They were appointed a committee to canvass the district for available names to the convention. Addresses were made by Colonel T. V. Eddy, D. C. Martin and Mr. Brantley. Club meetings again next Wednesday evening.

THIRTY-FIRST DISTRICT—An enthusiastic meeting of the Republican Club of the Forty-first Assembly District was held in Pixley Hall, Jackson and Polk streets, last night. The hall was crowded. The enrollment committee reported that nearly 400 names had been signed to the membership roll. The following resolution was adopted unanimously: Resolved, That it is the sense of this club that no person holding any Federal, State or municipal office, nor any member of the City and County Republican Committee, shall be eligible as a delegate to the approaching municipal convention.

The committee appointed at the previous meeting submitted the following thirty-one names of members to be selected at the meeting next Friday night as delegates to the municipal convention: Frank W. Marston, president of the club; Isaac F. Kidd, Marcus H. Hecht, Philip N. Liffenthal, Frank Topping, Joseph H. Campbell, Abraham S. Brough, Samuel C. Benson, W. M. Davis, Luman Wadman, Alfred T. Finch, W. R. Eddy, J. H. Dwyer, Charles W. Jones, Charles W. Slack, Fabius T. Planch, Henry J. Crocker, Arthur Brand, George Stone, Albert E. Carter, E. J. Wilkinson, E. Booth, Wendell Easton, Alfred Bouvier, Charles E. Parker, Albert Gerberding, E. J. L. Carter, E. J. Wilkinson, E. Booth, Van Winckel, H. M. Holbrook, R. B. Hale.

The following were unanimously selected as an advisory committee: W. R. NIXON, CHARLES BURDETT, J. B. STEVENSON, JAMES A. SNOOK and H. MORTON. This concluded the business of the meeting and rousing speeches were delivered by ex-Judge Dillon and others.

THIRTY-SECOND DISTRICT—The members of the Republican Club of the Forty-second District met in Argonne Hall, Hyde and California streets, last night. T. D. Riordan, president, in the chair. The only business transacted was the selection of an advisory committee, as follows: T. D. RIORDAN, president of the club; P. R. CONWAY, WILLIAM GALLAGHER, J. J. O'CONNOR and J. B. KELLY. The next meeting, which will be subject to the call of the president, delegates to the municipal convention will be chosen.

charge the duty of suggesting names for delegates to the county convention in a report stating it had been the endeavor to select none but good men for the bosses and that it would have the list of names ready to present to the next meeting of the central committee. The club has taken about 500 names, among them being a great many business men and heavy taxpayers who have not in the past taken much interest in local politics, but who are this year enthusiastic and active in this movement to reform the Republican party.

The meeting was addressed by Colonel Hubbard, Captain William Royal, Edmund Tausky and Leonard L. Solomons. The two latter in their denunciation of boss methods and boss rule evoked a storm of applause, showing the spirit which animated the club. Denounced the Bosses. The Twenty-ninth District Democratic Club held its regular weekly meeting last night at Becker's Hall, 14 Third street. James E. Murphy presiding. A large number of voters gathered to hear several speakers, all of whom scored the bosses and the party who have, they allege, combined in the Twenty-ninth District for the purpose of defeating the decent element of the Democratic party. Speeches were delivered by M. C. Hassett, Thomas F. Barry, Thomas O'Connor, William M. Gannon and Stephen V. Costello.

The following nominations were made for delegates to the municipal convention: First Precinct, J. W. Fitzgerald; Second Precinct, J. W. Fitzgerald; Third Precinct, Matthew E. Lally; Fourth Precinct, P. F. Haller; Fifth Precinct, Patrick Lydon; Sixth Precinct, Martin J. Tierney; Seventh Precinct, H. L. Ladd; Eighth Precinct, Joseph I. Lawless; Ninth Precinct, Joseph Plunkett; Tenth Precinct, Lawrence J. Brannan; Twelfth Precinct, James J. Maher; Thirteenth Precinct, Edward J. Maher; Fourteenth Precinct, Joseph B. Lawler; Fifteenth Precinct, Joseph A. Mogan; Sixteenth Precinct, John Brown; Seventeenth Precinct, Louis Ehrlich; additional delegate, Louis Ehrlich.

They Lauded Phelan. The Twentieth District Democratic Club met last night at 14 Third street and elected the following delegates to the municipal convention: J. W. Fitzgerald, John Macdonald, Matthew Lally, Thomas Stevedore, Joseph I. Lawless, Joseph Plunkett, John O'Connell, Lawrence J. Brannan, Joseph A. Mogan, John Brown, Daniel McDonough and an additional delegate, Louis Ehrlich. Addresses laudatory of the Phelan administration were made by M. C. Hassett, Thomas F. Barry and William M. Gannon.

Phelan Followers. The Thirtieth District Phelan Club met last evening at Pythian Castle, and after pledging all present to support the administration of Mayor Phelan and labor for his re-election, the following were selected to represent the district in the coming convention: R. Gough, P. Madden, T. Lynch, A. O'Sullivan, G. F. Fitzgerald, E. Leinny, F. Kenny, C. Kelly, G. Gannon, L. Walsh, G. Welch, P. McMenomy, L. Hurley, J. Creighton, G. McLaughlin and J. Baer.

Pattosien Returns. W. J. Pattosien, the enterprising furniture dealer of the Mission, has returned from an extended business tour of the East. He has visited all of the manufacturing centers and states that business is good with conditions improving constantly. He says the tide is steadily setting toward the West and in his judgment the furniture business will be revived in the near future. Mr. Pattosien visited the furniture exhibit at Grand Rapids, Michigan, where he purchased many fine samples of furniture, as well as a stock of standard goods that will require a train of twelve cars to transport them. Mr. Pattosien expects the arrival of this train about September 15.

Anti-Boss Club. The Thirty-seventh Assembly District Anti-Boss Republican Club met last evening and appointed a finance and executive committee. The executive committee was given the power to name the delegates for election to the county convention. Several speakers indulged in red-hot anti-boss speeches, and the warning was given that if the greatest of care is not taken the boss element will out-trick the members of the club at the polls.

Delegates Nominated. The Thirty-second Assembly District City Republican League met last night at the City Club, 18th and Market streets, and elected delegates to the county convention. Several speakers indulged in red-hot anti-boss speeches, and the warning was given that if the greatest of care is not taken the boss element will out-trick the members of the club at the polls.

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