LABORS OF GRAND PARLOR OF NATIVE SONS BEGIN

Delegates Presented With a Deed Transferring the City of Oroville and All Its Appurtenances to Them for One Week.

DELEGATES, LED BY ARGONAUT PARLOR, PASSING DOWN MYERS STREET.

Features of the Day at Oroville as Captured by Cartoonist Warren.

Two Short Sessions Are Held at Which Committees Are Appointed, and the Rest of the Day Is Spent in Merry-Making.

SCENE IN FRONT OF THE HEADQUARTERS IN THE UNION HOTEL.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

OROVILLE, April 23.—The Grand Parlor opened its session this morning, but it was not for long. After a committee on credentials had been appointed, Fletcher A. Cutler, president of the grand trustees, rose to announce the death of Grand Trustee Frank Sabichi of Los Angeles, who died about two weeks ago. Out of respect to the dead brother's memory the Grand Parlor then adjourned until 2 o'clock, but again the session was a short one.

The committee on credentials was made up of H. A. Andrews of Hesperian No. 137, J. F. Deninger of Vallejo No. 77 and George L. Sackett of Cabrillo No. 114.

The following were appointed to fill vacancies in the various committees: Finance—J. E. Hayden and R. D. Barton; appeals and grievances—S. S. Radcliff; petitions—W. H. Devlin and P. Carpenter; returns—I. L. Koppel and Rod W. Church; state of the order—A. F. Schleicher, E. Sevier and W. D. Wagner; legislation—George E. Catts and C. M. Belshaw; ritual—C. A. Carroll, W. J. Variel and A. E. Schadlich; printing and supplies—L. C. Pistolesi; laws and supervision—C. P. Vicini; literature—A. E. Miller; transportation—D. Suter; special committee on ways and means of properly commemorating the trials and adventures of the Donner party—L. A. Garthie and J. C. Hoop.

The annual reports of the grand officers were distributed to the delegates during the morning session.

Delegates Entertained.

This concluded the business of the day's session and the remainder of the hours of sunlight were for the delegates to enjoy themselves. The committee had carriage room for all who wished to ride and soon the surrounding roads were full of gay parties, some headed north on the road to Thermalito and Cherokee, others south to down the river where the dredgers are mining.

"Dredger mining" is an industry peculiar to this section and there was enough about it to interest the delegates until supper time. Then after that there was the reception to the delegates in Union Opera Hall and the turning over to them of a deed to the city. It was a great occasion. The grand officers were grouped on the stage with the chairmen of the town committees and the town officials. Major A. F. Jones was spokesman for the town, and in the following words he bade the delegates welcome and delivered to them full possession of Oroville and the hearts of all its people.

Address of Welcome.

Worthy Grand President: It becomes my pleasant duty to speak as a representative of 20,000 citizens of Butte County, and extend a heartfelt welcome to the representatives of 10,000 Native Sons of the Golden West, and in behalf of Oroville and the county at large to extend to our natives through you a hearty welcome in the shire town of the county of Butte. Standing where the foothills of the Sierras greet the beautiful eastern border of the great Sacramento Valley and the great water sheds on the west wash and uncover the golden treasures of the mountains and then flow on to refresh the valley with its inexhaustible fertility, it is a spot without whose traditions the history of California could not be written. You are welcome, and as you view the scenes around you, and talk to the pioneers who reside here, it will be as if some echo which had slumbered long among these western hills was murmuring into life again and stealing fire from the passions of the past to glorify the present.

Here you will find to-day the golden orange covering much of the rich placer ground of early days, and mingled with it the bright hue of olive green.

Here you will find the latest development in the epoch of mining history—the gold dredger, directed by steam and electric power, making possible the unearthing of millions which have hitherto lain buried and defied the mechanical skill of the greatest engineers.

On the bluff overlooking the town you will find the spot selected by the great Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the State of California wherein to give a home and peace and rest and happiness to the aged members of their order, and to found the greatest monument of the greatest principle, charity.

These things we commend to your study as sons of California, that you may have a greater and better knowledge, not only of the past and present, but of the great untold future of the State we love so well.

In behalf of all the people of Butte County, through Argonaut Parlor No. 8 and the various citizens, I bid you a hearty welcome to our home, and trust that your sojourn among us may be one of continued sunshine without a shadow to mar its brightness, and that when you leave us and go forth to your respective homes your hearts will be wounded with a shaft of love and affection for those of your brothers and your people who dwell in the city of gold and the sunny land of the orange and vine, and that this wound may never heal, but remain as enduring and be treasured as faithfully as the love which the Native Sons of the Golden West bears for the pioneer of California.

I now present you this deed, which gives to you the city of Oroville with all its appurtenances, to have and to hold for your complete and full enjoyment during your sojourn with us.

Deed to the City.

The deed is between the citizens of Oroville, parties of the first part, and the "delegates to the Grand Parlor of the Native Sons of the Golden West," parties of the second part.

It deeds the delegates the town in fee simple for a week. The deed is signed by John C. Gray, Judge of the Superior Court; T. Batchelder, County Clerk; S. H. Wilson, Sheriff; Jo D. Sproul, District Attorney, and A. F. Jones and J. C. Osgood.

President Mattison made a brief reply, in which he thanked the people of the town and expressed the appreciation of the delegates.

Politics in this session will be confined almost entirely to the election of grand officers. There is not one item of business which more than another is food for discussion among the delegates or a topic for curbstone conversation. There is not even a prospect of interest over the place for the next session—in fact, where the next session will go is a mystery, for no town has bid for it but Sonora, and Sonora is believed to be out of the question, because of her lack of facilities and the difficulties of getting there. Such a condition of affairs is somewhat of a novelty at the Grand Parlor.

The question of establishing a chair of history in the State University will cause a ripple, but every one knows just what will happen. Humphries of Mission Parlor No. 37 will argue against it on the ground of expense and because the Regents themselves would probably establish the chair if the Native Sons should present the matter to them in the proper light, so it will go to some committee—that is, of course, unless something happens.

Candidates for Office.

As for grand officers, while the fight is not openly fierce, still friends are working very hard for friends. Frank Mattison, grand president, will become "past"; R. C. Rust, the first vice president, will take his place, and Frank L. Coombs and Lewis F. Byington, second vice president and grand orator, will follow the time-honored custom and each go up a notch.

H. Kahn of Hesperian No. 137 is not believed to hav much chance against Henry Martin for treasurer, but Martin's friends are not idle.

The fight for grand orator is growing more complicated. It is beginning to look like McNoble of Stockton, and in this connection the story is current that Cutler, seeing this, would withdraw if he saw a chance of being elected once more as a grand trustee. Some years ago, in the fight between R. C. Rust and Frank L. Coombs for the same place, Coombs withdrew under promise of re-election as grand trustee and then to be made grand orator the year after. This programme was carried out and now it is understood that Cutler would like a repetition of the plan. The adherents of the candidates for grand trustee declare they will not stand for it, however. They say their fights have all been organized and Cutler cannot, after making a strong fight for grand orator, inject himself into any other. The situation is interesting.

For grand outside sentinel there are Joseph Goldman of Yosemite No. 24, J. Emmet Hayden of Mount Tamalpais No. 64 and M. G. Perkins of Athens No. 195. There may be a hard fight over the office. For grand trustee there will be running Charles E. McLaughlin of Quincy No. 131, K. R. Knowland of Halcyon No. 146, G. G. Radcliff of Watsonville No. 64, Homer Prindle of San Jose No. 22, W. D. Wagner of Arrowhead No. 110, P. V. Long of Golden Gate No. 29, James L. Gallagher of Alcatraz No. 145, J. A. Devoto of Alcalde No. 154 and M. T. Dooling, Will D. Shea and C. O. Dunbar, who are now grand trustees. By far the liveliest fight, however, is the three-cornered one between Colonel Charles Boxton of National No. 113, Charles H. Stanyan of Stanford No. 78 and S. V. Costello of Pacific No. 10. Boxton and Stanyan are handicapped, because this is their first appearance as delegates to the Grand Parlor. Costello is an old delegate. He says he is the man.

The Goo Goos met about noon, had a joyous session and elected officers. High Ruler Dick Barton presided, and after some little Goo Goo talk the following were elected for the ensuing term: High Ruler, Dick Barton; high scratcher, Bill Attridge; wise guy, Steve Costello; chief moocher, Jim Devoto; grand grabber, Charles Stewart; grand bouncer, Pat Lunt.

Death of C. J. Belloli.

SAN JOSE, April 23.—Clement J. Belloli, a prominent and popular young business man of this city, died to-day as the result of an operation for appendicitis, which was performed yesterday. He had been ill but four days. Deceased was a Native Son and had been elected as a delegate to the Grand Parlor at Oroville. He was 26 years of age.

WHISKY SAVED MANY PERSONS FROM DROWNING

Why the Attempt to Blow Up Welland Canal Lock Failed.

Conspirators Discovered Through Their Too-Free Indulgence in a Tonic for the Nerves.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., April 23.—If Karl Dullman, John Nolin (not Nolan, as was first reported) and John Walsh, the dynamiters who last Saturday morning tried to blow out a lock on the Welland canal at Thorold, had not been so free in their use of whisky the chances are that a good many of the people of the village of Merriton and the country round-about would have been drowned. The men did their planning when they were sober, but when the time came for their last and most dangerous move they were drunk. As a result they did their work carelessly and used topers' judgment in their selection of a time to put their plans into execution. They lowered the dynamite into the lock at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, when they could be plainly seen from a distance. Had they waited until midnight and gone to the scene sober they would no doubt have blown out the lock. Persons familiar with the region say that had the lock at Thorold been opened the rush of water from the surface level above would have swept the town of Merriton out of existence, destroyed a section of Thorold and devastated a vast area.

The Canadian authorities are at present as much in the dark as to the motive of the dynamiters as they were on Sunday. They are also without positive knowledge of the identity of the prisoners. Three theories have been advanced—that the men were hired by Boer sympathizers, that Fenians instigated it and that the men were hired to do the job by enemies of the Connor syndicate, hoping the destruction of the Canadian waterway would prevent for this season the passage of any grain through Montreal. The latter theory found support as it was suggested, and to-day every one along the Canadian border, the detectives and other officers included, expressed their belief in this solution.

Preposterous as it sounds, still, the officers said, it was a shade less ridiculous than the other theories. Referring to the cause to-day, Chief Young of this place said:

"There is not the slightest doubt in my mind that the men were tools for some body of men. The force behind it all may not be learned, but if it is I feel satisfied that there will be a sensation which will cause talk for a long time."

REMEY TAKES CHARGE OF ASIATIC STATION

Hoists His Flag Over the Brooklyn and Relieves Rear Admiral Watson.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—According to cable advices to the Navy Department Rear Admiral George C. Remey assumed formal command of the Asiatic station at Yokohama last Friday. He hoisted his flag on the Brooklyn and relieved Rear Admiral Watson of the command of the naval forces on the Asiatic station.

It is assumed that in accordance with the orders of the department Rear Admiral Kempff assumed command of the second division of the Asiatic squadron at the same time. He will use the cruiser Newark as his flagship and will confine his operations to Chinese waters.

SAD CAREER OF CHAPLAIN SHIELDS ENDED

CHAPLAIN DAVID H. SHIELDS.

PHILADELPHIA, April 23.—David Haddington Shields, a post chaplain in the United States army, died suddenly today in the Pennsylvania Hospital. The Coroner has ordered a post mortem examination to determine the cause of death.

Shields, who is supposed to be about 47 years of age, went to a hotel this morning ostensibly to take a Turkish bath. While there he was taken suddenly ill and an ambulance was called, which took the sick man to the hospital, where he died.

A letter to the Coroner from Dr. John I. McKelwey states that death was probably due to pneumonia and alcoholism, with a history of an alleged injury to the head.

The sad story of Rev. Mr. Shields' downfall, which has culminated in his death, is well known to the citizens of San Francisco.

The unfortunate minister was appointed a chaplain in the army two years ago. He was stationed at Alcatraz when charges were filed against him of conduct prejudicial to the good order and discipline of the army. It was shown at the trial that he had been intoxicated on several occasions in the presence of enlisted men and civilians and he was found guilty. The findings of the court-martial were approved by the Washington authorities and the chaplain was dismissed from the army on February 1. Shortly thereafter he was found unconscious on the water front, suffering from want and exposure as much as from the effects of alcoholism. He was treated at the City Receiving Hospital, when Mrs. Dr. d'Ancona, the wife of the Supervisor, became interested in his case. She made arrangements whereby the ex-chaplain was sent to his family in Fort Wayne, Ind. What became of Rev. Mr. Shields from the time he was started homeward from this city was unknown until the news of his sudden death in Philadelphia was received in the above dispatch.

Counterfeiting Tools Found.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

BOISE, Idaho, April 23.—United States Marshal Ramsey to-day, near Weiser, secured a complete counterfeiting outfit with the exception of the molds. The outfit was cached in the willows along the creek and was discovered by the farmer owning the land. The Marshal has also learned that a section foreman recently found two plaster-paris molds alongside the track, one for $5 pieces and the other for $10. They were broken and had evidently been thrown from the train. These molds were found near the place where the other articles were cached. This section for six months has been flooded with spurious money, and while some men have been sent to prison for passing it, the authorities do not believe they have the principals.

PASTORS TELL OF THE FOREIGN MISSION WORK

First Business Session of the Ecumenical Conference Held in New York.

Results Accomplished by Missionaries in the Philippines, Turkey, Hawaii and Elsewhere Set Forth.

NEW YORK, April 23.—The first business sessions of the Ecumenical Conference on Foreign Missions began simultaneously at 9:30 o'clock to-day in Carnegie Hall and the Central Presbyterian Church. Walter B. Sloan, secretary of the Inland Mission of China, led the devotional exercises in Carnegie Hall, and the Rev. James Cunningham, M. A., of the Memorial Presbyterian Church of Wansworth, London, conducted the exercises at the Central Presbyterian Church. At Carnegie Hall the Rev. Dr. Augustus H. Strong, president of Rochester Theological Seminary, delivered an address on the "Authority and Purpose of Foreign Missions."

At the conclusion of Dr. Strong's address the Rev. J. Hudson Taylor, founder of the China Inland Mission, spoke on "The Source and Power in Foreign Missions." Robert E. Spier, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Presbyterian Church, also spoke on foreign missions.

The meeting in the Central Presbyterian Church was addressed by Rev. James I. Vance of Nashville, Tenn.; Rev. Henry T. Chapman, secretary of the United Methodist Free Churches in England; Rev. Paul Deschwinitz, secretary of the Board of Missions of the Moravian Church, and Rev. Dr. H. C. Mabie, secretary of the American Baptist Union. Rev. James Cunningham, M. A., of London, England, presided, and contributed a few words to the discussion of the theme for the day on "The Authority and the Purpose, the Source and Power and the Supreme and Determining Aim in Foreign Missions."

Rev. I. B. Wolf, Rev. J. Wilkie, Rev. L. W. Scudder, Rev. Dr. Parker of Northern Indiana and Rev. J. E. Abbott of Bombay addressed the meeting upon missionary work in Farther India.

The meeting at the Madison-avenue Reformed Church was devoted to a discussion of missionary work in Mohammedan lands. Rev. James L. Barton, president of the American Board of Missions in Turkey, spoke of the situation in the Ottoman empire. Rev. William Jessup spoke upon mission work in Syria. L. H. Hutton of the Presbyterian Missionary Board spoke on missions in Arabia, J. Hargrave Ridgeford on early efforts of missionaries in North Africa, and John Giffan, a missionary in Egypt of the United Presbyterian church, on Egypt. George Washburn, president of Roberts College in Constantinople, and Dr. Grace Kimball of Vassar College, formerly missionary to Turkey, spoke briefly on Turkey. Dr. Edward Riggs on Greece and Rev. C. T. Wilson on Jerusalem and mission work in Palestine.

At the Broadway Tabernacle to-day several missionaries gave a general survey of the mission work in the islands of the Pacific. Bishop John Hurst of Washington spoke on the Philippines. Rev. Canon Edwards of the Exeter Cathedral, London, and secretary of the London Bible Society, then spoke on the work which the Bible Society has done in the islands of the Pacific. He said that the society had spent over twenty years in compiling a New Testament in the language of the Filipinos, but Spain had not allowed them to do any missionary work in the islands, hence they had not been able to make any use of the work, but now that they had the United States to deal with the society would allow the American missionaries to use this work. He also said, referring to the United States: "England rejoices in your joys and delights in your prosperity."

Rev. Dr. Wardlaw Thomson of London and Rev. John C. Payton of the New Hebrides told of the work in those districts. Rev. J. R. Callandach, D. D., of Dorn, Holland, spoke on the Dutch mission work in Java, Borneo and Sumatra, and was followed by Rev. O. H. Gulich, a native of Hawaii, and Rev. W. E. Cousins of Madagascar.

OFFICERS FOR LEAGUE OF REPUBLICAN CLUBS

Many Names Have Already Been Mentioned, and a Lively Contest Is Expected.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

LOS ANGELES, April 23.—From present indications before the biennial convention of the League of Republican Clubs convenes, Friday, April 27, much interest will have been aroused in the selection of a president and secretary of the State League for the ensuing term.

It is now known that Colonel George Stone, the present president, does not again wish the honor. While the Los Angeles contingent has no special candidate the names of General W. H. L. Barnes, George A. Knight and George C. Pardee are locally mentioned. The candidate that has the greatest following and who is being groomed by the Republican League of San Francisco is their popular member, G. A. Newhall. His candidacy, as far as Los Angeles is concerned, may receive much consideration. The honor of secretary may fall to Al Linley, who is backed by a number of Northern delegations. One of the undeveloped struggles will be the selection of the thirty-four delegates to represent the State League in the National League Convention that meets in St. Paul, July 17 and 19. Each district will be allowed four delegates, with six delegates at large.

The younger blood of the league is determined that only workers and active men shall fill any position within the gift of the convention. All is in readiness for the reception of the delegates. The executive committee reports to-night that 1350 delegates have been chosen from the 255 clubs that have reported. The official count of members in the State as reported by the club officers now reaches 26,000. A score of clubs will report during this week. San Jose will send 200 delegates and workers, as that town is in the fight for convention honors, and from the looks of things the plum will go there. A still hunt is being made by two other towns.

SAMPSON DECLARES HE STILL RANKS SCHLEY

Says the Published Report of His Rival's Victory Is News to Him.

Special Dispatch to The Call.

BOSTON, April 23.—The news of Admiral Schley's alleged victory was given to Admiral Sampson by The Call correspondent to-day. He said:

"Most of this is entirely new to me. I never heard of it before. A representative of a New York paper did call a few days ago with a brief, condensed account of these 'exposures' of Mr. Crowninshield and myself. I simply told him there was nothing for me to say; that these things were settled long ago.

"What I wish somebody would explain to me is this—I see it repeated constantly in this clipping. What is meant when it says, 'Schley ranks Sampson'?"

"Then he does not?" was asked.

"Why, I hope not," exclaimed the admiral, in a tone which left no doubt of his view upon the point.

"Do you believe that the supplement and the alternative referred to were put before the President as stated?"

"Possibly; I cannot say. I have seen the President several times lately. Not very lately, though; not that I would necessarily have referred to it. I am not aware that I am a party to any feud."

"Then you do not regard this reported attack upon you as being detrimental to your standing and prospects in the service?"

"No, I do not."

"And you do not believe that President McKinley's friendship and support have been in any measure lessened or impaired by the incident?"

"No, I certainly do not," responded the admiral.

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