

# DEMOCRATS PLAN TO INDORSE HEARST FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

### Ostensible Mission of Delegates Is to Send Representatives to Kansas City, but in Reality to Pander to Absurd Ambition of Examiner's Proprietor.

### Democrats Object to Prostitution of Their Party, but Indications Are the Yellow Journalist Will Receive Indorsement.

#### THE PLATFORM.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, June 13.—It is reported that the platform adopted by the Los Angeles Democracy will be presented to the State convention and will no doubt be adopted. It is as follows:

The Democratic party of Los Angeles County in convention assembled announces its unflinching adherence to the Democratic principles embodied in the Chicago platform of 1896 and its unabated confidence and trust in the qualities of courage and leadership that have in advance marked William J. Bryan as its leader in the campaign of 1900. It pledges to the party and to him its zealous support in the great conflict now impending, in which it is to be determined whether this republic is to live free, upon the broad foundation of the principles of the Declaration of Independence, or whether in abandoning that safe ground upon which our fathers established it, it shall follow the perilous path of world empire and dominion, upon which other great republics of the world have traveled to their destruction; and better to insure the perpetuity of our republic, we favor such political policy as shall give the people a direct voice in the determination of fundamental political questions.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, June 13.—The Democratic State Convention which will meet in this city to-morrow is destined from every present indication to pass into the history of the State as a political farce. Delegates have come to Sacramento from every part of California, ostensibly to elect delegates to the national convention, but in reality to pander to the utterly absurd and futile ambition of William R. Hearst, the proprietor of the Pacific Coast representative of "yellow journalism." The Democratic convention even before it has met has degenerated into a clique of self-seeking flatterers who are striving to inflame the imagination of the Yellow Kid into a hope of an ambition that will never be realized in order that his purse strings may be loosened. Not long ago the name of William R. Hearst was suggested in a spirit of coarse humor for the Vice Presidential nomination on the Democratic national ticket. The joke passed through the East and by a curious circumstance became a matter of seriousness to the employees of Hearst on this coast. It is their intention, therefore, to subordinate every other object of this coming convention to their plan of securing for Hearst the indorsement of the State convention as a Vice Presidential nominee.

Some of the most prominent Democrats in the State have been made special commissioners of the yellow sheet for the occasion. An employee of the Examiner is here to manipulate the scheme to success. Delegations are being importuned to submit to the nonsense of Mr. Hearst's employees. And while a stubborn resistance will be made by some of the leading Democrats of Califor-



nia, there is every likelihood that the proprietor of the yellow sheet will win the absurd notoriety which he is seeking.

To-night the opposition to the plan of the yellow journalists has assumed a peculiar phase. Democrats who object to the prostitution of their party say that they have not the slightest doubt that Hearst will receive the indorsement of the convention. They are quick to add, however, that the indorsement as a matter of course means nothing, as Hearst has absolutely no chance of receiving the coveted nomination. In selecting William Jennings Bryan as its Presidential nominee, the national Democracy has placed upon itself the necessity of choosing an Eastern man as a Vice Presidential candidate. Whatever identity Hearst may have in Democratic councils, it is essentially of the West, his Eastern connections not being recognized by the national party.

Politicians of every caliber recognize this fact, but they are willing to submit to the importunities of Hearst's employees, notwithstanding the fact that their acquiescence degrades their party in the State and makes of their convention a farce.

The single interesting feature of this convention, therefore, will be the indorsement of William R. Hearst for an honor which he cannot win. His personality has quite overshadowed every other issue of the convention. There appears no doubt now that the four delegates at large to the national convention will be Stephen M. White, James G. Maguire, M. F. Tarpey and James D. Phelan. D. A. Ostrom has been making a stubborn fight, but he must share the fate that nearly every other northern man has suffered at the hands of Democracy, and he will be compelled to return home with another defeat registered against him.

Among the southern delegates there is a very pronounced but unorganized opposition to Mayor Phelan of San Francisco. While this antagonism to Phelan is widespread it is not effective and will not accomplish the defeat of the Mayor of the metropolis. In the district delegations there are but few serious contests, as the honor of going to Kansas City is not eagerly enough

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, June 13.—It is practically settled that the following ticket will be selected to-morrow:

CHAIRMAN, E. C. Farnsworth, Tulare; secretary, D. W. Carmichael, Sacramento; sergeant at arms, G. W. Griffin, Yolo.

DELEGATES AT LARGE.—James D. Phelan, San Francisco; Stephen M. White, Los Angeles; J. G. Maguire, San Francisco; M. F. Tarpey, Alameda.

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT DELEGATES: First Congressional District—J. S. Sweet, Santa Rosa; J. Q. White, Mendocino. Second Congressional District—D. W. Carmichael, Sacramento; E. W. S. Wood, Stockton. Third Congressional District—James A. Keys, Suisun; Robert M. Fitzgerald, Oakland. Fourth Congressional District—Curtis Hillier, San Francisco; Charles Edelman, San Francisco. Fifth Congressional District—Jasper M. McDonald, San Francisco; J. H. Henry, San Jose. Sixth Congressional District—R. F. del Valle, Los Angeles; John McConigle, Ventura. Seventh Congressional District—William McFadden, Orange; other delegate in doubt.

#### PHELAN READY TO MAKE CONCESSIONS

He and His Supporters Anxious to Avert Contests in the Convention.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, June 13.—A marked feature of the situation here to-night is the concessions which Phelan and his supporters stand ready to make in order to avert contests in the convention. It is known that a hundred political knives will be raised against Phelan by outraged Democrats if war is declared, hence the efforts to preserve the peace.

Already politicians are remarking that Gavin McNab is shielding the Mayor from the vengeance of Democrats. If Phelan is permitted to represent his party at the Kansas City convention he may owe the recognition to the indulgence of Gavin McNab and Jasper McDonald.

#### BIG AND LITTLE DEMOCRATS PRESENT AT THE CAPITAL

Harmony Earnestly Desired, but There Are Apprehensions of Trouble.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, June 13.—The reunion of Democrats to-night in the lobbies of the Golden Eagle and Capitol hotels, is regarded as significant by the party leaders. Many of the big and little guns of the Democracy are here, among them Stephen M. White, Daniel Ostrom, James D. Phelan, M. F. Tarpey, ex-Governor Budd, A. Caminetti, R. Porter Ashe, Seth Mann, Gavin McNab, J. D. Dockweller, Jasper M. McDonald, J. D. Maxwell, Judge Conley, Dr. R. Beverly Cole, Senators Braunhart and Sims, R. F. del Valle, Thomas McCaffrey, W. H. Alford, Charles Edelman, M. C. Hassett, Curtis Hillier, R. M. Fitzgerald, Martin C. Marsh, W. G. Downing.

The talk on the surface is peace. Harmony is spoken of as something earnestly desired, but beneath the surface there are threats of revenge. Apprehensions are felt that the combinations will be broken by the candidacy of Daniel Ostrom of Yuba for delegate-at-large. He was not admitted to the chosen circle of the four favorites, but since his exclusion he has displayed skill and energy in his efforts to gain the favorable recognition of his fellow Democrats. It is obvious that the success of Ostrom will mean the defeat of the weakest member of the four. Serious measures have been brought forward to save Phelan from slaughter. The Mayor, perceiving the danger that threatened him, lined up at the Capitol



Sons of Democracy Start for Sacramento.

bar and talked politics.

M. F. Tarpey is serene, but not overconfident. He said to-night: "I am not in any combination, I have not consulted with White, Maguire or Phelan in regard to my candidacy. I have not entered into any compact. When the Fresno delegates indorsed me and pledged their support to me for delegate at large I decided to enter the contest. I fancied that I would like to attend the National Democratic Convention at Kansas City. I believe that the convention about to assemble will elect me, but I will not go away broken hearted and disappointed if I should not be chosen."

Indications to-night lead to the belief that there will be no contests to vex the convention. A compromise has been effected in the Thirty-eighth Assembly District of San Francisco. Leo Kaufman, leader of the faction that was excluded at Native Sons' Hall, gets one-half the delegation from the district and Charles W. Fay, who made the fight for Phelan, gets the other half. It is fresh in the minds of the public that Kaufman and his associates were charged with bribery and corrupt means and actually prostituted civil service to gain control of the district. So many ugly charges were made in the contesting document filed with Seth Mann, chairman of the State Central Committee, that leading Democrats, dreading a scandal, advised Fay to give up half the delegation. It is the talk to-night that a compromise will be effected in the Forty-fourth by the admission of both delegations and the allowance of half a vote to each delegate from that district. It will be remembered that forger was charged in the Forty-fourth. The delegates who were the victims of the forgery offered to submit positive proof of the charges. Friends of Phelan, not desiring to meet such accusations on the floor of the convention, advised a compromise.

It is settled beyond doubt that E. C. Farnsworth of Tulare will be chosen chairman of the convention. Gavin McNab led the wires six weeks ago for the selection of Farnsworth. There were reasons other than Farnsworth's resemblance to Bryan which suggested the indorse-

ment of the Tulare statesman. Farnsworth was a candidate for the nomination of Justice of the Supreme Court in the Democratic convention two years ago. His friends then expected support from Phelan, which was never given. It was deemed advisable therefore to select a chairman with a memory. If Phelan's friends attempt the name of "wild hog" in this convention the chairman may recognize a protest against the proceeding.

George Patton came up from Los Angeles with the notion that the delegates were invited here to have him preside over the convention. He was assured of support from various sections of the State. Word was passed along the line that ex-Senator White preferred Patton to Farnsworth.

Gavin McNab listened to the rumors, but never lost confidence in the success of his Tulare County friend. To-night it dawned upon the vision of Patton and the patrons of Patton that Farnsworth, backed by McNab, was invincible. Therefore a suggestion was made to the slated chairman that Patton should be given first place on the committee on resolutions. Then it transpired that Farnsworth, with the knowledge and consent of McNab, had agreed to confer the honor attaching to the position of chairman of the platform committee on that ornamental Democratic warhorse, W. H. Alford, late of the San Joaquin Valley but now of the metropolis, and of the metropolis favored as he holds a lucrative place in the City Hall; it is noted that Alford has claims other than those presented in his handsome shape. He is reputed to be the possessor of a very large degree of the friendship and confidence of Colonel William J. Bryan and consequently is entitled to recognition in making the platform.

Mr. Patton of Los Angeles is in no sense discouraged. It is true that his prospects for chairman of the convention and leader of the committee on resolutions have gone glimmering, but he has saved his credentials and will be heard in the convention.

There will not be much of a platform, anyway. The sentiment of the delegates is against committing the party in California to any fixed principles. Some resolution of a general character, the catchy campaign platitudes, will be adopted. R. F. del Valle, an able and accomplished statesman from the orange groves, who always comes to the rescue of a party in distress, will jump in to-morrow and offer the platform recently adopted by the Los Angeles County Democratic Convention.

#### CONVENTION HALL IN READINESS FOR DELEGATES

Plenty of Flags, Shields and Bunting to Inspire and Cheer the Democratic Heart.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, June 13.—The Agricultural Pavilion, corner of Fifteenth and M streets, which last month resounded with the eloquence of Republican orators and loud cheers for William McKinley, the standard bearer, will re-echo to-morrow with the cries of Democracy. Delegates from all sections of the State will assemble in the famous building and repeat the scenes that attended the session of their rivals. Delegates at large and district delegates will be elected to represent California Democrats in the National Convention of the party called to meet in Kansas City on July 4.

The appearance of the pavilion has undergone a slight change in decorations. On the sounding board immediately behind the chairman's desk is a striking likeness of William J. Bryan. The picture surmounts the wings of a gilded eagle and the decorer in hanging the picture tried to symbolize the Democratic standard bearer flying into office on the wings of victory. On either side of the picture is a trophy of American flags. Potted palms and streamers of red, white and blue bunting heighten the effect. The 200 yards of white canvas and bunting which has been used in walling in a portion of the structure gives the pavilion a cool and inviting appearance. The ugly rafters of the building are hidden by a stretch of canvas, which makes a fine background for the colored streamers that are stretched from the apex to all sides of the pavilion. An immense Japanese umbrella in the center of the temporary roof adds to the effect. The canvas walls are covered with shields, upon which are painted the seal of every State in the Union.

Arrangement of Seats.

The delegates will have very little trouble in finding their seats, as gaily painted shields containing the name of each county are strung around the hall. The delegates will be seated according to districts, but the arrangement of the seats has been so cleverly perfected that all counties will be within view of the chairman and the sound of his voice. George Boyne, the well-known decorator of Sacramento, is responsible for the striking appearance of the convention hall and Talbot H. Wall is for the arrangement of the seats and other important features.

There is every probability that E. C. Farnsworth of Tulare will be the temporary chairman of the convention. It is a county that D. W. Carmichael, a well-known real estate dealer of Sacramento, will be temporary secretary. He will have as his chief assistant J. V.



THE THREE JIMS—THE YELLOW KID'S SPECIAL COMMISSIONERS.

### Southerners Opposed to Phelan, but the Toy Mayor and Chief Yellow Kid Commissioner and White, Maguire and Tarpey Will Be the Delegates at Large.

### Senator Ostrom of Yuba, the Only Candidate From the North, Sacrificed to Save Mayor Phelan.

delegates of Sacramento to fittingly entertain the delegates of the Democratic Convention has completed all its labors and now awaits the crowning of its work. Neal's Band has been engaged by the committee to play national airs in front of the Golden Eagle Hotel at 9:45 o'clock to-morrow morning. After rendering their selections the musicians will repair to the convention hall and play inspiring airs. After the temporary chairman is elected Mayor George H. Clark will deliver a short address of welcome to the assembled delegates.

Senator D. A. Ostrom of Yuba is making a determined effort to be chosen delegate-at-large to the national convention. He arrived early on the scene to-day and was engaged throughout the afternoon and evening buttonholing delegates and asking their support. The ex-Senator feels certain that he will win. A rumor floating around that he had withdrawn was nulled by him as a canard. He said that he was in the fight to a finish and not until he was beaten would he be out of the running. He claims to have the solid backing of the Yuba delegation and asserts that he will be supported by the delegates from Sutter, Amador and San Bernardino counties. In conversation to-night Senator Ostrom said he based his candidacy on geographical locality; that he did not set up any great claim for excellence or superiority, but that he was a thorough Democrat. Senator Ostrom act as pages.

#### New State Committee Is Demanded.

CALL HEADQUARTERS, SACRAMENTO, June 13.—There was a general interchange of views among leaders of the party to-night on State Central Committee affairs. It transpires that vigorous arguments on the subject were submitted at a conference of prominent members of the party in the Capitol Hotel. The result of the deliberations was a determination to demand that the convention name a new committee to manage the campaign. The Call's information is to the effect that the plan for selection of a new committee will be carried out. Senator Sims of Santa Rosa and Hill of Los Angeles are mentioned as candidates for the chairmanship of the new committee. The Call learns that Senator Sims will be chosen.

#### Will Come by Mayor Clark.

The committee appointed by the res-

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