

GEARY DEMONSTRATES BELL'S FOLLOWERS Asserts That Their Los Angeles Conference Is in Contempt of Direct Primary

Meets Tom Fox From Sacramento, but With No Idea of Talking Politics

By GEORGE A. VAN SMITH

Let it be known that when it comes to the enumeration of the blood-and-bones-ready-to-die-in-the-cause champions of the direct primary law, Tom Geary, sometime congressman and potential candidate for the democratic nomination for governor, is not to be given the overlook.

If democracy will pause in its impetuous flight long enough to get some good advice from Geary it will not go down to Theodore Bell's state convention at Los Angeles, there to select a ticket for the suffrages of the democrats of California and partisan electors of whatever breed that may desire to vote against the government.

No, sir, such a convention and such selection of a state ticket would be in violation of most of the letters and all of the spirit of the direct primary law. Besides all that, the Los Angeles convention is expected to select Theodore Bell for the head of a democratic state ticket, and that would violate the rest of the letters of the law, to say nothing of the feelings of a considerable number of Democrats, who wish Bell no bad luck, but hope he may break a leg.

GEARY HEARS THE ECHO Geary is touted strong for the gubernatorial nomination by the old line democrats who went down and out before Bell's mace at the Fresno convention in 1908. His boom has been gathering rapidly for several weeks.

Among those who will contribute toward making the musical program a success are Miss Edna Walsh, M. J. Lawless, Batt Scanlan, Mrs. Daisy Keane Gillogley and Miss Frances Buckland. The entertainment will close with the song in chorus, "Who Fears to Speak of '93?"

DEMANDS CONVENTION Geary insisted that the time was not ripe for the consideration of gubernatorial timber by democrats. The republicans, he said, had staged a very pretty little comedy, with the speaking parts in capable hands.

"I shall we, who have been fighting for many years for the direct primary, be the first to stultify ourselves," asked Geary. "For years the democrats have been crying for the enactment of a direct primary law. We have talked and worked and fought for the enactment of a law that would free us from the boss dominated convention. We have it now. Shall democracy be first to violate that law in both letter and spirit?"

"Here is suggested something worse than the evil which we fought to wipe out. This is to be a convention without the authority of law. The delegates are to be appointed without even an indirect reference to the people. I have not heard that the democrats in our county are preparing to participate. I believe in giving the direct primary law a fair test."

BOURBON CAMP SPLIT All is not lovely in the bourbon camp. The old line democrats, the former organization insist that they will have nothing to do with the Los Angeles conference or its works. It is a safe bet that they will not be invited to the Los Angeles conference and alien numbers to interfere with its deliberations.

The Los Angeles conference will convene. If there is no hitch in the program it will name Theodore A. Bell for governor, and with him the complete state ticket. Bell's most enthusiastic enemies declare that he purposes to essay in California the role that William Jennings Bryan has played for the national party since 1896. Bell's most enthusiastic friends insist that the rebellious regulars have been bought up by the railroad to prevent the election of Bell, which they contend is an odds on bet.

The republican camp is expected to take on an air of hostile Saturday. The first step will be made in the Lincoln-Bonwell league in Huroy county committee, which has been called to assemble Saturday morning. The organization and is not expected to create much interest compelling excitement before Monday or Tuesday. Herrin is in southern California and Alden Anderson is in Sacramento giving his personal attention to the fences in what he considers one of his home bailiwicks.

CURRY WILL LIE LOW If the Curry plans do not go awry the secretary of the county board of gubernatorial honors will not result in much noise for a long time. Old timers in the political game admit that they have never seen in California a personal organization like that perfected by Curry. No county has been overlooked. In Alameda county George Reed, who has been a mogul of the organization for years, is directing the Curry fight in Huroy county.

Ralph Bull, the big man of the Lincoln-Roosevelt league, is at the head of the Curry organization. The Curry organization is engaged upon only one job. That is the nomination of Charles F. Curry for governor.

APPROVES APPLICATIONS FOR TWO NATIONAL BANKS [Special Dispatch to The Call] WASHINGTON, March 2.—The comptroller of the currency has approved the application of B. T. McCullough, L. McAlay, B. F. Crow, J. J. Carroll and P. W. Witten to organize the First National Bank of Crow's Landing with a capital of \$25,000. The comptroller also approved the application of Charles St. Clair, A. M. Souza, Robert S. Kernahan, W. F. Draper and J. A. St. Clair to organize the First National Bank of Newman, with capital of \$25,000.

KNOCKED DOWN BY AUTO—While Mrs. S. Leonard, 215 Eleventh avenue, was crossing Sutter and Leavenworth streets Tuesday afternoon she was knocked down by an automobile driven by Doctor Ward, 322 Sutter street. The doctor lifted her into the machine and drove her to St. Winifred's hospital, where she attended her injuries. She refused to prosecute him.

Judge F. J. Murasky Who Will Deliver Oration on Emmet



CELEBRATION OF PATRIOT'S BIRTH

Knights of the Red Branch Will Honor Irish Hero and Dedicate Hall

The date of the dedication of the new hall of the Knights of the Red Branch, 1133 Mission street, has been set for tomorrow evening. The same night they will celebrate the one hundred and thirty-second anniversary of the birth of Robert Emmet, whom they have chosen as their patron and model.

The oration of the evening will be delivered by Judge F. J. Murasky, and Rev. Philip O'Ryan will preside. There will also be an excellent musical program. Emmet's dying speech will be read in connection with a brief history of his life.

ORIENTAL LABOR IS BARRED BY RANCHERS Orchardists Will Employ No Brown Skinned Help

REDLANDS, March 2.—Thirty orchardists of Oak Glenn, the mile high apple growing district east of Redlands, have attached their signatures to the following pledge:

"We agree against the future employment of any Hindus, Koreans or Japanese in Oak Glenn and vicinity, as a protection for our homes and families."

DAYLIGHT ROBBERY A NEW EXPERIENCE Up to Date Methods Used at Petaluma

[Special Dispatch to The Call] PETALUMA, March 2.—Petaluma is not often visited by robbers and a daylight robbery was unknown until today, when the boarding house of Mrs. N. Bierkel was entered and the room of William Colbert, foreman of the Lechman & Jacobi winery, was robbed of a sum of money and a diamond pin. The loss is over \$200. A former convict named Edward T. Hawley is under suspicion and as he has disappeared City Marshal E. A. Husler has notified Sheriff J. K. Smith of this county, also the police department of San Francisco, to apprehend him.

ODD FELLOWS PLAN TO OBSERVE ANNIVERSARY Will Celebrate Founding of Order 91 Years Ago

[Special Dispatch to The Call] PETALUMA, March 2.—At a meeting of Petaluma League lodge No. 39, I. O. O. F., it was determined to celebrate on an elaborate scale the ninety-first anniversary of the Odd Fellowship April 26. Each year this date is ritually observed and is preceded by the attendance at divine worship of all the branches of the Odd Fellows and Rebekah lodges at some local church Sunday evening. An elaborate entertainment will be held at Odd Fellows' hall.

GOLDEN GATE PARK 'GETS ALBINO GOPHER

White and Pink Curiosity Secured by Museum [Special Dispatch to The Call] PETALUMA, March 2.—An albino gopher was caught today by Charles Hallmuller and has been secured by the museum in Golden Gate park, San Francisco. The animal is pure white, has pink eyes and pink feet. No one remembers ever having seen one in captivity before, but traps have been set in the place where this was found, as others have been seen.

RATE FIGHT IS WON BY EXPRESS COMPANIES

STOUEX FALLS, S. D., March 2.—Judge Garland of the federal court today rendered a decision which is a complete victory for the express companies doing business in South Dakota. He holds in substance that the act of the legislature did not give the board of railroad commissioners authority to make the schedule of rates complained of by the express companies, which was a general reduction of 20 per cent from the rates in effect January 1, 1909.

GIRLS INJURED WHEN BIG AUTO IS WRECKED

EL PASO, Tex., March 2.—Running at 50 miles an hour, the touring car of Postmaster J. A. Smith collided with a heavy wagon late today and was demolished. Miss Gene Rodden was fatally injured, and Miss Rosemary Fullham, said to be a relative of the late baseball magnate, was badly hurt.

TRAINS HURLED TO CANYON BY SNOW

Swept Over Precipice After Being Crushed by Avalanche at Wellington

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stood and the trains dumped into the canyon. He was so exhausted from his long fight against the snow that it was several hours before he could give a coherent story.

Bit by Bit Wentzel's disjointed utterances were pieced together into a connected narrative. The avalanche came without warning. Wentzel, who was at W. R. Bailets' hotel, ran out to see the billows of snow settling over the tracks where the train had stood.

Later he saw men carrying women and children from the partially buried coaches which had been carried down the side of the gulch. Bailets' hotel, the saloon east of it and the store on the west were untouched.

Relief for Survivors SPOKANE, Wash., March 2.—Two relief committees were organized at Wallace, Ida., today, to look after the injured and destitute, caused by the avalanches along the Burke valley. The first is to look after the families in need of aid and the second to collect money.

The Federal mining and smelting company this morning donated \$1,000; the Bunker Hill and Sullivan mine \$500. Close to \$2,000 has been raised in Wallace to aid the stricken families. No more bodies were found today. About 150 men are still at work at Burke removing the debris from the railroad tracks so that traffic may be resumed.

People along the valley continue to move from the danger zone. A number of funerals were held today and it is expected the last will be held tomorrow. All the injured are well cared for and no further details have been reported, although Mrs. R. H. Pascoe and Al Neuman are in a critical condition.

A half dozen slides have occurred at Sunset Peak, nine miles from Wallace, and as many more at Beaver Creek, 12 miles distant. One at the Four Timbers mining company's plant near Sunset Peak last night buried B. R. Creedon and William Shannon, who were at work in the blacksmith shop. They managed to dig themselves out without serious injury.

All the prospectors are leaving that section until the danger of slides is passed. Lived in Pleasanton OAKLAND, Feb. 2.—George L. Beck, who is reported in northern dispatches to have been killed, with his wife and three children, in the wreck of the Spokane express, is believed to be W. A. Bechtel, formerly of Pleasanton, who do work for the Great Northern Railroad.

Bechtel's family moved with him from Pleasanton, but he is known to have a brother still living somewhere in California.

Left Train Before Slide SEATTLE, March 2.—John S. Rogers of this city was one of the snowbound passengers on the Spokane Express who was wrecked at the Skychomish and walked out to Skychomish. Rogers left Wellington the night before the disaster and arrived in Seattle last night. He gave a graphic account of the conditions of the passengers for relief and of conditions about Wellington prior to the avalanche.

"Wednesday morning we stopped at the east port of the Cascade tunnel," said Rogers. "We remained there until Friday, getting no meals at the bunkhouse, two meals a day. "Friday night we left the east portal and a few hours later, as we afterward learned, an avalanche from the mountain side wiped out the station and the bunkhouse, killing two men. We pulled through the tunnel as far as Wellington, which is about half a mile beyond the west portal.

"Conductor Pettit was in charge of our train and he proved a hero throughout those trying days. We all ate at Bailets' hotel. There was plenty of food, but only enough coal to maintain the heat in our coaches which was absolutely necessary because of the sick people aboard. For this reason we abandoned a plan to run our train back into the tunnel.

"Sunday I saw a slide come down to the east of the hotel, carrying timber with it in a resistless wave of snow. Sunday night there was a slide at the east portal which filled a 50 foot gulch across the track.

"Previous to that we had made the best of things. We visited from coach to coach, joked with the sick and did our best to keep everybody reassured. Conductor Pettit was foremost in everything of that sort.

"The menace of that great snow cap was a pall on all of our spirits. It was the most enormous accumulation every known in the mountains, according to Bailets. During all this time it had snowed continuously, with terrific winds driving the drifts.

"Monday night eight of us decided to wait no longer and set out to walk to Skychomish. We arrived there this morning, and while waiting for a train learned of the disaster we so narrowly escaped."

Men's Underwear

Spring weights, sweater neck or button front, \$1 and \$1.50; B. V. D. Athletic Underwear, 50c and \$1 a garment.

New Shirts Just in—beauties—pleated and plain, cuffs attached or separate—fine assortment at \$1.50.

New Ties Narrow shapes for the new close fitting collars—solid shades, cross stripes and novelties in Knit Ties, 50c.

Collars Belmont, Chester, Halley, Harbison, Columbia, Perry, Gordon and all new and popular shapes, in both Arrow and Silver brands, in quarter sizes, 2 for 25c.

Johnston's Mens Furnishing Goods 916 MARKET ST. OPPOSITE FIFTH

Known Dead, Injured and Missing in Avalanche

SEATTLE, March 2.—The following list of casualties in the Wellington avalanche has been given out at the local office of the Great Northern railway: PASSENGERS KNOWN TO BE DEAD

R. M. BARNHART, Spokane. E. LEMMAN, Hunters, Wash., and MRS. ADA LEMMAN, his wife. WILLIAM MAY, Chemainus, B. C. JAMES MCNEVY, Seattle, a well known attorney.

MISS NELLIE SHARP, Spokane. FRANCES STARBETT and LILLIAN STARBETT, children, sisters, Chemainus, B. C. A. R. VAIL, Trinidad, Wash. EMPLOYEES KNOWN TO BE DEAD

TRAINMASTER A. R. BLACKBURN. ENGINEER J. O. CARROLL. BRAKEMAN WILLIAM DORETY. BRAKEMAN R. R. DUPY. BRAKEMAN CHARLES JENISON. BRAKEMAN J. KELLY.

A. E. LONGGOY, secretary to Superintendent O'Neill. ENGINEER T. L. OSBORNE. LEWIS WALKER, cook on Superintendent O'Neill's car, all of Everett, Wash. PASSENGERS MISSING

MR. AND MRS. G. L. BEOK, Pleasanton, Cal., and three children, Emma, Marion and baby. JOHN BERRY. R. H. BETHEL, civil engineer, Seattle; well known in New York and Cuba. ERNESTO BINATOLO, Portland, Ore. A. BOLES, Moberly, Ont. J. BROCKMAN, Waterville, Wash. PATRICK BRUE, Burlington, Wash. H. D. CHANTRELL, Vancouver, B. C. NICK COLE, Burlington, Wash. ALEX CHISHOLM, Rossland, B. C. SOL COHEN, Everett. MRS. ANNA COVINGTON, Olympia, Wash. GEORGE F. DAVIS, Seattle, motorman, and 3 year old daughter, Thelma. GUS EBERT, Seattle.

MRS. ELLIOTT, Seattle. C. E. ELLINGE, Seattle. I. FISHER, Rossland, B. C. GILFORD GAT, Burlington, Wash. MIKE GOGHLEEM, Burlington, Wash. JOE GUIMMANESTI, Burlington, Wash. LUIGI GUIMMANESTI, Burlington, Wash. GEORGE HERON, Seattle. MRS. L. M. LATSCH, Seattle. JOHN MACKIE, Seattle. A. G. MAHLER, real estate dealer, Seattle. BERT MATHEWS, Cincinnati. JAMES MONROE, Seattle. MISS KATHERINE O'REILLY, Spokane. R. G. THOMPSON, Vancouver, B. C. REV. J. M. THOMPSON, Presbyterian clergyman, Bellingham, Wash. JOHN TIST, Burlington, Wash. E. W. TOPPING, Ashland, O. SOTARIS B. VASLI, Seattle.

EMPLOYEES MISSING EXPRESS MESSENGER BEAGLE. FIREMAN BENNINGTON. MAIL CLERK RICHARD C. BOGART. BRAKEMAN WILLIAM E. BOREL. CONDUCTOR CAMPBELL. EXPRESS MESSENGER H. J. DIEHL. L. LA DUE. PORTER DUNCAN. MAIL CLERK JOHN FOX. BRAKEMAN MAT GILMORE. FIREMAN DAN C. GILMAN. MAIL CLERK GEORGE HOEFER. ENGINEER J. F. JARNAGIN. BRAKEMAN JEWELS. FIREMAN JONES. BRAKEMAN KENZEL. CONDUCTOR ED LINDSAY. BRAKEMAN MACDONALD. ENGINEER FRANK MARTIN. CONDUCTOR PARZYBOK. CONDUCTOR J. L. PETTIT. BRAKEMAN W. E. RAYCROFT. BRAKEMAN STAWMYER. HIRAM TOUSLEE, Spokane. MAIL CLERK JOHN TUCKER. TWO UNKNOWN MAIL WEIGHERS. STENOGRAPHER, Car A-16. PORTER, Car A-16.

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Removal Sale of Furniture

Discounts 25 to 50%

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INSURANCE FRAUDS FOUND IN LODGES

Fraternal Orders Used as a Blind to Swindle Eastern Companies

[Special Dispatch to The Call] MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 2.—National officers of several fraternal insurance companies are in the Twin Cities investigating what they believe is a wholesale conspiracy to defraud the companies by "graveyard insurance."

On what they have already found the fraternal men claim that a regular system of fraud has been practiced in getting fraternal insurance through membership in local lodges.

They believe the evidence points to persons who have had office in the lodges and have been responsible for passing on candidates. The frauds said to be found are various. In some cases the persons insured are claimed to be parties to the fraud and they have secured insurance by false age statements. In other cases the insured persons claim total ignorance. The belief is that the names were used by the conspirators, who would get policies issued to persons in feeble health or advanced years and collect in case of death. The fraudulent practices have been going on for several years, according to information given out by the investigators to Insurance Commissioner J. A. Hartigan.

The Knights and Ladies of Security are deepest concerned in the investigation and it is estimated that they have 200 policies out that have been secured by fraudulent means. At least 20 have already been canceled. The court of honor, Springfield, Ill., has probably 100 policies under investigation. Other orders found to be concerned more or less are the Independent Order of Foresters, the Ladies of the Maccabees of the World, the Ladies of the Modern Maccabees, the Loyal Mystic Legion, Hastings, Neb.; the Modern Brotherhood of America, Mason City, Ia.; the Modern Woodmen of America, the supreme tribe of Ben Hur, the Woodmen of the World, the Mystic Tolders, Des Moines, Ia., and the Mystic Workers of the World, Fulton, Ill.

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Baldwin's Great Advertising Test Sale Nearing Close

Only 3 Days Remain in Which to Take Advantage of This Money Saving

Sale Closes Promptly Saturday Night Store Open Evenings--310 Sutter St.

Act Quickly if You Would Participate in This Genuine Advertising Test Sale

In deciding to test the advertising strength of various newspapers on the bay we have brought out some very interesting facts and feel greatly repaid for the large concessions given to the many new customers of the store. We are also in receipt of many new names of prospective purchasers. Our proposition is simple and void of confusing problems and hampering conditions. The money-saving to be had here is fully explained and is indisputably bona fide.

ONE PRICE--PLAIN FIGURES All our instruments are marked one price in plain figures, and you can easily figure the exact saving to you.

Special Premium Offer \$2.00 for \$1.00

Should you, in addition to your coupon, decide to pay any cash when selecting your piano, we will give a receipt for \$2.00 for every dollar that you pay up to \$25.00.

EXAMPLE Bring Coupon and get credit for \$50.00. For Coupon and pay \$5.00 and get credit for \$45.00. Bring Coupon and pay \$10.00 and get credit for \$40.00. Bring Coupon and pay \$15.00 and get credit for \$35.00. Bring Coupon and pay \$20.00 and get credit for \$30.00. Bring Coupon and pay \$25.00 and get credit for \$25.00.

Good for Fifty Dollars As first payment on a new piano, if presented before March 5th, with two names and addresses of friends having no piano, or who have a silent piano which might be exchanged toward a modern Player Piano.

The Baldwin Company INCORPORATED 310 SUTTER STREET Above Grant Avenue

Open Evenings--310 Sutter Street

Read the particulars in the coupon, bring us two names of friends who are without pianos, that we may mail them catalogues and our special factory proposition.

Declaration of Policy Not to Be Impeached "No other house can, no other house shall, nominate lower prices for the same piano quality than will be found here."

This statement will be conclusively proven to you after you have investigated the rare bargains we now offer. Remember, the time limit of this advertising test sale is fast approaching.

Come and see the great values to be had while there is yet time. You do not have to buy, and we do not ask you to unless you are fully satisfied that it is to your own interest to do so.

We attribute the great success of our growth to the fact that our customers find better piano values here than elsewhere. THIS ADVERTISEMENT WILL NOT APPEAR AGAIN.

The Baldwin Company INCORPORATED FACTORY WAREHOUSES 310 SUTTER STREET, Above Grant Avenue, San Francisco. OAKLAND--1075 Clay Street, Near 12th Street.

SUFFERING AND DISTRESS ACCOMPANIED EACH MEAL

The origin of many ailments was for a long time a perplexing problem in medical science, until L. T. Cooper, in a common sense way, evolved the theory that the stomach is the source from which nearly all bodily ills emanate, and, such being the case, should the organs be treated to correct the evil--simple reasoning as to cause and effect.

Having located the true cause, he then sought the practical means of effecting a remedy. By earnest study, unremitting labor and a determination to overcome all obstacles, he eventually reached the goal of his ambition, formulating a preparation which has become famous in its meritorious qualities.

The principle, like all masterful ones, is simple. The nutritious elements of food must be prepared in some form which will assure their uniform distribution throughout the system