

FEAR ROOSEVELT.

Republican Leaders Afraid Of Break to Him.

Prepare Their Plans So As To Rush Things Through.

Want Taft To Be Nominated On First Ballot.

STAMPEDE WOULD RUIN SCHEME.

Republican leaders in Congress are now working earnestly on a plan to prevent any break at the Chicago Convention that might disrupt party harmony and endanger defeat at the polls in November, says a Washington dispatch to the Courier-Journal. Conferences have been held at both ends of the Capitol among such men as Senators Aldrich, Hale, Allison and Crane, and Representatives Payne and Sherman, of New York; Tawney, of Minnesota; Jenkins, of Wisconsin, and Smith, of Iowa. In fact, meetings of small groups from this list have been of almost daily occurrence for more than a week. They have been directed to one end—a nomination on the first ballot, by which they mean Wm. H. Taft. While no definite result has been reached they believe their efforts will be successful.

Most of the men figuring prominently in this movement were numbered against Taft early in the campaign, but party policy and the necessity for harmony, which have been manifest in Republican ranks since the disastrous results of the Blaine-Conkling feud, have weakened a demand that personal desires be subordinated to the will of the majority. That the efforts of the group of leaders back of the harmony movement have not been barren of results is indicated by the fact that to a number of the conferences have been called such men as Senators Hemenway, Penrose, Culom, Hopkins and Depew, and Representatives Parsons and Vreeland, of New York; Boutell and Mann, of Illinois; Burke, Dalzell, of Pennsylvania; Watson and Landis, of Indiana, and others who are backing the candidates of Vice President Fairbanks, Speaker Cannon, Senator Knox or Gov. Hughes.

The Roosevelt Sentiment.

No attempt is made to disguise the fact that the real impetus to such a concerted movement in the interest of Secretary Taft is the refusal of Roosevelt sentiment to be snuffed out and the danger of such sentiment spreading to an extent that might be difficult of control at Chicago. At the same time, it is said, the movement is not hostile to President Roosevelt, who admittedly occupies the position of command in the Taft forces. He has made it perfectly plain that nothing can come of the renewed calls for his renomination, which have been made in Texas, Utah and California, as he is prepared to reject any proffer of support, no matter how extended.

The uttermost limit of endeavor of the Republican leaders who are striving to harmonize party differences is to eliminate all candidates for the nomination except Secretary Taft, but it is not anticipated that all of the candidates readily will agree to this proposition. Supporters of Senator Knox particularly are said to oppose the plan, and one of the other candidates is holding out strongly that there is no immediate demand for agreement. At the same time there are leaders in Illinois, Indiana, Pennsylvania and New York who are parties to the movement, with the knowledge of the favorite son candidate from those States.

Fearful of Third Term Stampede.

The selection of Secretary Taft as

Senator Campbell Pays State In Full.

Senator J. Wheeler Campbell has received a receipt from the State for payment in full of the \$1,000, which he collected from the Illinois Central railroad at the time of the encampment of the State troops at Paducah. The full amount has been paid into the State Treasury and Senator Campbell now owes the State nothing. He held the money pending the settlement of the question to whom the money should be paid. When this was determined Senator Campbell promptly turned over the money to the Auditor.

the beneficiary of harmony action is made because of the fact that it is the only candidate who has sufficient instructed votes to promise an early nomination. The argument of the harmony faction is that if Taft should fail to secure the nomination on the first ballot and the allies were able to hold out against him it would mean a convention contest of many ballots. These leaders have little doubt that in such a contingency the Roosevelt third term sentiment would threaten a stampede and though they have little doubt that the President would not hesitate to squelch any proposition looking to his renomination, the effect of such a stampede can only be surmised. The possible dire results upon the campaign for the election of the candidate whoever he may be, is one of the arguments used to draw the so-called allies into the harmony programme.

Republican leader concede that their majority in the House is likely to be materially reduced at the fall election, and they fear that unless the faction are brought together before the Chicago Convention they might lose their majority altogether.

Boom Gov. Willson For Vice-President.

NEW YORK REPUBLICANS THINK HE WOULD MAKE GOOD RUNNING MATE FOR TAFT.

According to the President's friends in New York State, the vice presidential nomination may go to Gov. Willson, of Kentucky, or to a Republican west of Missouri river. Gov. Willson, it is known, has been very seriously considered in administration circles at Washington, but a good many of the President's counselors have the idea that he wants a far western man nominated for the vice presidency.

Friends of the President who have consulted with him on this subject said today that no vice presidential candidate had ever been selected from the great States west of the Missouri river, that the President was deeply impressed with this fact, and that George A. Knight, of California, would be an ideal candidate.

The Roosevelt Republicans said that the President has gone over the list of Vice Presidents since the foundation of the Government and has been impressed with the notion that the vice presidential candidate should come from west of the Missouri river.

Big Diamond Ring On Skeleton's Finger.

GREWSOME FINE IN DANVILLE THAT MAY TURN UP MURDER—NO CLEW YET.

While excavating for a large business house on the property of Richard Morrissy on Main street, in Danville, the workmen uncovered a human skeleton, on the third finger of the right hand of which was a large diamond ring.

This lot has been vacant as long as the oldest resident can remember, and as it was never used as a burying ground Mr. Morrissy is unable to understand why the body was buried there.

The body was incased with a kind of brick tunnel, but there was no evidence of a coffin of any kind. A careful examination disclosed the fact that the bones composing the neck were dislocated, which leads to the supposition that the person was the victim of foul play and came to a violent end and was put away in a past generation. Mr. Morrissy has owned the property a short time only.

Eagles Institute New Lodge at Paris.

FRANKFORT AERIE PERFORMS CEREMONIES—BIG CRWD FROM HERE.

The institution of the Paris Lodge of Eagles took place Monday night in the Elks building, with Judge J. H. Polsgrove, of Franklin county, as master of ceremonies. Eighty-three members were initiated, while Paul Hanley, George Duval, George D. Speaks and John Maker were candidates for degree work which was very elaborately carried out by the degree team of the Lexington Lodge. Visiting Eagles from Frankfort, Lexington and Maysville, including Circuit Clerk Bep Marshall, of Franklin county, and Wallace Muir, of Lexington, were present. Mayor James O'Brien was elected Worthy President of the lodge. After the installation of officers and the conferring of the secret work, a sumptuous luncheon was served.

STRANGER'S HOME.

Y. M. C. A. Fills Money For Many Lonely

GIVES THEM PLACE AND EVENING WITH FRIENDS—DOLLAR CAMPAIGN ON PAIGN OFF.

The stenographer of a firm in a southern city said: "Mr. Cummer, who is a man like me find a profitable place to spend his winter evenings?" "Don't ask your employer," he answered. "It is as good as impossible. I would do to sleep in, and miss my good old home and mother (this was his first experience among strangers.) I have hunted this place over for a respectable place to spend a few hours between supper and bedtime and I can't find one. I have tried the hotels, barber shops and stores, but I'm not wanted. The bowling alley will do one or two hours a week. There is only one place that makes it a business to welcome boys—that is the saloon. There we find sufficient comfort for the body but not for the soul. Why don't the good people of this fine, progressive city do something for the boys and young men?" "In what way?" asked the employer. "Why, by making men of them. Can saloons properly educate us in lines of good citizenship? Can they make us manly, strong and fit husbands for the daughters of Jacksonville? Are not the good people neglecting something? We want a gymnasium, swimming pool, baths, game rooms, class rooms, all under the management of competent instructors."

His employer answered: "I see you want a Young Men's Christian's Association. Then you shall have it."

This employer at once began an investigation of associations in other cities with this result:

"From observation I found that in general, progressive cities had a Y. M. C. A. The larger the building, built on modern plans and well equipped, followed by heavy membership, the better and more wide awake the city."

Mr. Cummer gave to the Jacksonville, Fla., building \$30,000 and said "it pays."

There are two questions which are being asked by many citizens of Frankfort following the announcement that a one dollar campaign is to be inaugurated soon to wipe out a debt.

The questions are natural ones and are, why is it necessary for a city the size of this to have a Young Men's Christian Association, and second why is it not self supporting?

To these questions the press committee in charge of this campaign have asked a member of the association to give an answer.

In answer to the first question the objects of the Association should be first stated by giving the Paris basis adopted in 1855. The Young Men's Christian Associations seek to unite those young men who, regarding Jesus Christ as their God and Savior, according to the Holy Scriptures, desire to be his disciples, in their doctrine and in their life, and to associate their efforts for the extension of His Kingdom among young men."

It is clearly evident from such a basis, which has been affirmed again and again, that the work of the association is distinctly religious. To the public it appears that the religious work is almost lost sight of and the so-called secular work. But religious work is necessarily quiet and can not be blazoned and advertised as, for instance physical activities. Nevertheless the religious work is predominant in the mind of practically every association official and every policy. Therefore whenever there is a young man the influence of such an organization is needed, for no matter how isolated a young man may be he is not without temptation and wherever there is a group of young men the need is greater, the larger the group the greater the need.

The objects of this organization being to properly relate young men to Jesus Christ and the fellow men, there is not a hamlet where the need does not exist. In a city the size of this there are perhaps two thousand young men between the ages of 16 and 30, many of whom are away from home and home restraints, such an organization is imperative, for where there is one to spend his spare moments securely sheltered from the alluring temptations of vicious resorts, unless a retreat be provided.

The average membership of the

Frankfort Association, the year round is 250, upwards of 60 of these young men spend a part of the day or evening within the Association enjoying more or its various activities. Is it worth while? President Roosevelt in substance said of the Association that, "It is worth all the money and effort expended if it did nothing else than offer a retreat where after night four young men could assemble amid wholesome surroundings."

The Association in Frankfort could double its membership and treble its daily attendance if the quarters were provided for the writer the rest upon the Young Men's Association to prove its worth through as it should rest upon other organization can accomplish what the Association can?

Answering the second question "Why is it not self-supporting? we must say that the annual membership fee would necessarily have to be \$15 instead of \$6 as at present and the minimum number must be 200. Manifestly, at \$15, we would lose a great many worthy young men who would not be able to pay the membership fee. The price must be made low enough to admit any young man desiring to become a member, or the very purpose of the organization would be defeated.

If it were made self sustaining it would soon become a rich man's club. One of the strong holds of the association is that it breaks down class distinction and quibbling over the differences in creed. All young men meet upon a common basis. As a mere business proposition, a business man can ill afford to refrain from encouraging and supporting the only organization in the city that every week day and night in the year offers the only moral restraint and uplifting influence to the young men to whom he must commit the major part of his business interests.

GOVERNOR'S MASCOT Fox Terrier Dog Spends Time In Executive Office.

PERSISTENT AND INDEFATIGABLE HUNTER FOR RATS—NEVER GIVES UP CHASE.

The Governor has a mascot. It is a fox terrier of good breeding and a surpassing propensity for rats. The dog has qualities that might be emulated by men, for he has persistency developed to the highest degree. The stops until he gets the rat, or is forcibly pulled off the chase by some person.

The other day the dog, which now spends all of his time in the general reception room just outside the Governor's private office chased a rat under a bookcase. The case happened to be securely fastened to the wall, and there was not enough space for the animal to get under after the rat. This did not deter "Billy," which is the dog's name, from trying to get that rat. He spent the entire day there, finally being reduced to licking the doors of the bookcase and begging everybody who passed to help him get the rat.

The dog belongs to one of the janitors about the building, Jim Coleman, who was a messenger for J. C. W. Beckham during the seven years the latter was Governor. Gov. Willson likes "Billy," and all the men in the Governor's office help him hunt rats.

The old State House is simply alive with rats, and they go chasing across the floor at any and all times. At night they have a lovely time and invade every part of the office. The rats and Billy are at constant war, and the dog is never happier than when he is allowed to come into the office and hunt for rats. When he finds one it is all off with the rat.

Dog Law Man Wants Place On Committee.

ED. CROAN IS CANDIDATE FOR DEMOCRATIC STATE CENTRAL PLACE.

Ed. Croan, of Bullitt county, is a candidate for Democratic State Central Committeeman in the Fourth Congressional district, to succeed Dr. Milton Board. Mr. Croan has twice represented this county in the Legislature.

Mr. Croan is the author of the dog tax law and is the man who put that measure through the Legislature.

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