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HAPPENINGS IN VERMONT

Local Items of Interest From All Parts of the Green Mountain State.

THE NEWS BY COUNTIES

From the Island in the Lake to the Passumpsic, Along Otter Creek and by the Shores of White River.

ADDISON COUNTY

MIDDLEBURY.

At the annual meeting of the Ladies' association for Home and Foreign Missions held at the home of Mrs. A. S. Harriman the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. I. M. Taylor; vice-president, Mrs. C. E. Harris; treasurer, Miss Goodrich; assistant treasurer, Miss Florence Eddy; secretary, Mrs. W. H. Brewster; program committee, Mrs. Hagar, Mrs. Lancaster, Mrs. Harriman, Mrs. Munroe; directresses, Mrs. Edward Seeley, Madam Thomas, Mrs. Dickey, Mrs. McKinney, Mrs. Twitchell, Mrs. Chaffee, Mrs. McQuivey and Mrs. Merritt.—The graduating exercises of the Middlebury high school will be held in the town hall Friday evening. Vittum's orchestra has been engaged. The following is the program: March, "Junior Republic," Eberle orchestra; prayer, the Rev. D. H. Corkran, D. D.; music, overture, "Welcome," Catlin, orchestra; salutatory and essay, Flora Louise Wilmarth; essay, "The Problem of the Rural School," Beth Inez Delano; music, "The Quaker Girl," Kiefert, orchestra; oration, "Resources of Alaska," Carleton Henry Warner; oration, "Vermont's Past," Darrell Douglas Butterfield; music, "The Roses of Panama," Berte, orchestra; essay, "The New South," Reta Loraine Forbes; essay and valedictory, Loise Belle Wright; march, "The Ameer," Herbert, orchestra; presentation of diplomas, John E. Weeks; benediction, the Rev. Richard B. Esten; music, "The Scorcher," orchestra.—Mrs. William Morcomb, Sr., Mrs. Luna Morrison, Mrs. Augusta Allen, Mrs. Emily Rogers, Miss Florence Eddy, Mrs. Bridget Wooster, Mrs. Lizzie Crannelly, Mrs. Joseph Nash, Mrs. E. E. Jones, Mrs. F. F. Turner and Mrs. Flora Morse have returned from Burlington, where they attended the annual meeting of the State organization of the ladies of the Grand Army.—Ottis Abbey, W. W. Martin, F. F. Jones, James Tracy and William L. Cady have also returned from the same city, where they attended the annual encampment of the G. A. R.—Randall Hammond, formerly of Middlebury, has bought the farm of Mrs. Carrie D. Vail in the Arnold district in Brandon.—There are unclaimed letters at the postoffice addressed to the following: David Burges, H. R. Woodward, Morris Miller, Joseph Trudo, Naha Barror, Carl Newall, C. H. Peterson, H. L. Williams and Mrs. Edward Pope.—The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist Church met with Mrs. H. A. Peck on Elm street Wednesday afternoon at 2:30.—Mrs. Margaret Gilmore has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Manley Winch and family in Fowler.—Mrs. Arthur Freegard and daughter of Whiting are in town.—Edwin J. Bush, a former Middlebury resident, but now of Portland, Me., was in town on his way from Portland, Me., to Portland, Ore. Mr. Bush started from Portland, Me., on April 23, and is due in Portland, Ore., January 1, 1915. He is traveling with a wheelbarrow and is selling post cards of himself and outfit to pay his expenses.—Miss Clara Desheall of New York is the guest of Mrs. J. Walter Sylvester.

The cattle shipment Monday consisted of three carloads.—Charles Bissett has gone to Burlington.—Philip Andrews has returned from Hardwick.—F. R. Stone, president of the Vermont State Firemen's association, has returned from Rutland, where he went on business in connection with the annual meeting to be held this year.—N. L. Rivers has returned from Vergennes, where he spent the past few days with his family.—A slight frost was reported from some sections of this county Sunday night.—The banns of marriage were announced for the first time at St. Mary's Church Sunday between Miss Emma Vincent and Arthur Forest of this village, and Miss Phillis Signor of this village and Davendo Rock of Vergennes.—Chief of Police Frank Warren and Officers Jerry Degray and E. G. Piper arrested William Corsey, George Forkier and Ben Arsnault Sunday evening for intoxication. Monday morning they were in Judge Dickens' court, where the former pleaded not guilty to the charge and was bound over to the December term of the Addison county court. Bail was fixed at $50, which he procured and was discharged. The other two pleaded guilty to the charge and were fined $5 and costs amounting to $10.04 which they paid.—Monday, market day, eggs brought 18 cents and butter 20 to 24.—Col. Edward Gooly has returned from Plattsburgh, N. Y., where he has been for two weeks.—Children's day was observed at the Methodist Church here Sunday. At the morning service Dr. Corkran gave a sermon to the young folks and in the evening there was a fine program rendered by the children. The church was well filled at both services.—The graduating class of the Middlebury high school attended the Memorial Baptist Church Sunday evening in a body when Dr. R. B. Esten delivered a fine sermon.—The moving of the old freight depot to its new quarters was commenced Sunday morning.—The work of the building of the macadamized road on Court street has been started and is well under way.—Harry Burns and Barnard Burns, sons respectively of John B. Burns and Thomas H. Burns, returned Saturday evening from Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass., for the summer vacation.

Chairman Fred M. Foote of the town committee called the democratic caucus to order Tuesday evening and afterwards was elected permanent chairman. W. H. Baldwin was elected secretary. The following ticket was elected, with the words at the head, "This ticket supports John H. Higgins for delegate to the national democratic convention at Baltimore." Delegates to the State convention, A. T. Calhoun, A. T. Stapleton, George Shambo, the delegates to appoint their own alternates; delegates to the district convention, John Higgins, F. M. Foote and J. M. Burke, with the power to appoint their own alternates. Browne of Rutland carried Middlebury by 11 majority.—Mrs. Jerry Degray, 38 years of age, died at her home on Willard street Tuesday afternoon after a long illness with a complication of troubles. She is survived by her husband, five children, a mother and two brothers. The funeral will be held at the home this afternoon at two o'clock.—The members of William P. Russell Circle, No. 5, Ladies of the G. A. R., met Monday evening to make arrangements for the celebration of the fifth anniversary of the circle, Monday evening, June 17.—The breaking of a journal on the through freight north Tuesday morning caused the morning train to be late. A freight car was derailed and the track blocked until the arrival of a wreck train from Rutland.—The last meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the season was held with Mrs. B. B. Brown on Court street yesterday afternoon.—An alarm was sounded at about nine o'clock Tuesday morning for a fire in a mattress at the Allen House on Washington street. The mattress was thrown out of a third story window and the danger was over.—The Cow Testing association meeting June 12 was attended by about 20. Richard Werner was appointed director to represent the Addison members.—Mrs. E. M. Severance of Proctor is in town on account of the serious illness of her father, O. P. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCauley, who have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burns of North Pleasant street for the past week, have returned to New York city.—The graduating exercises of the Middlebury high school will be held in the town hall Friday evening. Vittum's orchestra has been secured to furnish music.—Edward Wooster and Alexander Aunchman have returned from a 10 days' business trip in the northern part of New York State.—M. G. Grady has gone to Johnson for a few days.—Harry Epstine, who has been ill, is able to be about again.—C. W. Hurlburt is making

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WOMAN FAINTS AT DREARY PROSPECT

Marie Burch, Seven Times Wed, Cannot Marry for Three Years.

Chelsea, June 12.—In the case of State vs. Grace E. Cross, alias Marie G. Cook, alias Marie G. Burch, alias Marie G. Anderson, alias Grace E. Anderson, the respondent pleaded guilty to a charge of bigamy. It is said that the woman who has lived in various places during the past 14 or 15 years has had no less than seven matrimonial experiences. Her maiden name was Marie Burch and she lived in North Pomfret, Vt. The court sentenced the respondent to hard labor in the State prison at Windsor for not more than 3 1-2 years and not less than three years. The woman fainted shortly after being sentenced.

WINDSOR MAKES PROTEST.

Business Interests Opposed to Having B. & M. Station across River.

Windsor, June 12.—At a meeting of the business men of Windsor, presided over by Gilbert F. Davis, a committee was appointed to represent them at the hearing before the New Hampshire board of railroad commissioners in session at Blow-Me-Down House, Cornish, N. H. The committee, consisting of H. P. McClary, Bert E. Cole, Gilbert A. Davis, George D. Clough and S. A. Reed, will have witnesses to object to the board's granting the Sullivan county railroad, a subsidiary of the Boston & Maine, a right to extend its tracks through Cornish and Plainfield to West Lebanon N. H., on the east side of the Connecticut river.

The reasons for these objections are that it would be a great detriment to the business interests of Windsor to locate the railroad station on the Cornish side of the river and compel local people to go there to do the heavy business required. The committee will endeavor to bring about some compromise between the Central Vermont railway and the Boston & Maine such as has been effected at Brattleboro, so that a double track may be laid between Windsor and White River Junction and thus do away with building on the New Hampshire side.

LOVELL IS NOT RESIGNING.

Superintendent of State Prison Unaware of Origin of Reports.

Windsor, June 12.—W. S. Lovell, superintendent of the State prison, when interviewed regarding the reports which have been going the rounds of the State press that he intended to retire within a short time, said there was nothing in the reports. He further stated that he did not know where the rumors originated, as his work at the prison showed for itself what had been done and laid out to be done there, and that the board of prison directors, with whom the power of appointment lies, had not said anything to him about resigning. If any change is contemplated in the management of prison affairs, Superintendent Lovell knows nothing about it, and he deprecates any such reports at this time.

NEW SENATOR FROM NEVADA.

Reno, Nev., June 12.—Governor Tasker L. Oddie of Nevada to-day appointed George Wingfield of Reno, friend and business associate of the late Senator George S. Nixon, as United States senator until the meeting of the Nevada Legislature in January, 1913. At that time the Legislature will elect a successor to complete the unexpired term extending until March, 1913.

COMMITTEE GIVES TAFT EVERYTHING

Day of Victories for President in Arizona, California and Michigan Contests.

MINORITY POLLS FULL VOTE

Delegates Still to Be Seated Number 112 As Compared with 88 at Similar Time in 1908.

Chicago, June 12.—President Taft gained 40 more votes in the republican national convention to-day through the settlement of contest cases by the national committee.

It was a day of Taft victories exclusively. In the cases of the California, Arizona and Michigan contests, the Roosevelt forces made a fight and voted their full strength against the Taft delegates. In the California case they secured a roll call, losing 18 to 37; in the Arizona contest they failed to get a roll call and in the Michigan cases none was asked although they voted against seating the Taft delegates-at-large.

The contests settled to-day in favor of President Taft were: Arizona delegates-at-large, 6; California, fourth district, 2; Louisiana delegates-at-large, 8; first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh districts, 14; Michigan delegates-at-large, 6, Mississippi delegates-at-large, 4; first district, 2; total, 40.

Pearl Wight, national committeeman from Louisiana and the Roosevelt leader there, lost in the fight to seat the Roosevelt delegates from that State. An effort was made by Committeeman Harry S. New to end the long-standing differences among Louisiana republicans by officially recognizing the Loisel faction, now controlling the State republican organization there, but Mr. Wight headed off such action.

GOVERNOR OSBORN UNSEATED.

Governor Chase S. Osborn of Michigan and his Roosevelt delegates-at-large were unseated by the decision of the Michigan case for Taft. The contest over the fourth California district, decided for President Taft, furnished the most bitter exchanges of the day, Francis J. Heney leading the Roosevelt forces and insisting upon recognition for the Roosevelt delegates there.

The national committee had before it when it adjourned to-night 112 contested seats still to pass upon. Chairman Victor Rosewater, in a statement at the end of the session, said the committee was not keeping pace with the work of the last convention in 1908, but 88 contests remained to be decided on the Wednesday night preceding the convention. Members of the committee fear that the contests will run well over into the opening day of the national convention.

The remainder of the Mississippi contests and those from the States of Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Tennessee will, it is believed, be disposed of to-morrow.

UNIT RULE THE LAW.

Fred C. Bryan of Washington opened the case for the Taft delegates from the sixth California district. He said the Taft delegates had received the majority of votes in the fourth district. Under the California primary law, however, the "unit rule" applied to the whole State delegation.

Mr. Bryan stated that two Taft delegates, because they claimed to have a majority, declined to be bound by the Roosevelt vote in the State at large.

"The law provides does it not," asked Mr. Kellogg, "that all delegates shall be bound by the majority in the State at large?"

"Yes, it does."

Governor Hadley of Missouri asked Mr. Bryan if he thought the call of the republican national convention was superior to a State law.

"When the State law interferes with the party law, the national committee's ruling is supreme," said Mr. Bryan.

Mr. Heney presented certificates and affidavits showing that a confusion had existed in the voting registers and that later examination showed that Roosevelt men had received a majority of votes.

James A. Tawney declared the recognition of States, instead of congressional districts in seating delegates, would completely overturn republican principles.

BORAH WARNS OF DEFEAT.

Senator Borah declared the electors from each State were selected by state-wide vote.

"Can you give to a voluntary organization," he demanded, referring to the national committee, "greater power than is invested in a sovereign State? You are making it impossible for a republican to preside over this nation for the next four years. It is a greater question than the election of Taft or Roosevelt, it is a question of the perpetuation of the principles for which Lincoln lived and died."

Lowden of Illinois declared he believed the Taft delegates from the fourth district had a majority of votes and that they were entitled to seats.

Governor Hadley of Missouri, voting against the Taft delegates, said he did not believe the committee had the right to deny seats to delegates who had been selected by the State, no matter what method the voters had chosen to select them.

"It would be to deny the sovereignty of a State to attempt to dictate to it how it should select its delegates or to deny it proper representation."

The Taft delegates were seated by a vote of 37 to 16.

The Louisiana contests were next taken up and promptly disposed of, the Taft delegates being seated. The contests centered about the attempted party reorganization made last February by a sub-committee of the republican national committee.

BAY CITY ROW DESCRIBED.

The Michigan contest involving six delegates-at-large from that State was then taken up. The contesting Roosevelt delegates were headed by Governor Osborn, who was not present at the hearing because of an injury recently suffered. The Taft delegation was led by John D. McKay.

Governor Stubbs of Kansas, George L. Record of New Jersey, Frank Knox, William L. Gordon and other Michigan Roosevelt leaders were present to take part in the arguments.

Mr. Record said there had been two conventions in Bay City and that the State committee had taken upon itself the decision as to what county delegates should go on the temporary roll of the State convention.

"More than one hundred regularly elected delegates were forcible kept out of the hall," he said.

The Michigan case turned, he said, upon the Wayne county (Detroit) fight. There were two convention there also, he said.

The Wayne county delegation, he said, numbered 253 of whom he declared the Roosevelt forces elected a majority.

"If they later voted for Taft, it is up to the Taft forces to explain how they got them away," Record stated.

CALLS IT A 'STEAL ROLLEAR.'

Wm. D. Gordon declared the Taft people in Michigan had "tried to roll a 'steal roller' not a 'steam roller' over us." He said Michigan counties had sent a majority of Roosevelt delegates to the State convention at Bay City but "the infernal machine organized there by the Taft men," had thrown out 112 uncontested Roosevelt delegates without letting them into the hall.

Paul H. King, secretary of the republican State central committee, speaking for the Taft delegates-at-large, said he issued the call for the meeting of the republican State central committee and insisted that the temporary roll had been properly made up. He said that he made every effort to get proper tickets to all delegates, but admitted that some men were excluded who held tickets simply signed "admit one, Frank Knox."

"The Roosevelt attorneys have talked about a 'steam roller' and a 'steel roller,'" said Alexander Grosbeck, another representative of the Taft delegates. "They used in Michigan the same thing they are trying to use here, a 'hot air roller.'"

NO REQUEST FOR ROLL CALL.

The Taft delegates were seated by the national committee without any request from the Roosevelt forces either for a roll call or to seat the Roosevelt delegates.

The Mississippi contests were then called. The four Taft delegates-at-large and two from the first district were seated after which the committee adjourned. It is expected that the rest of the Mississippi cases, which are greatly similar, will then be consolidated and quickly disposed of.

VERMONT NOTES.

Burke delegates were elected by about 10 majority at the democratic caucus in Windsor.

The Windham and Bennington Association of Universalists held their annual meeting at Guilford Center yesterday.

The funeral of Rose Foster, the child killed Saturday at Rutland by an automobile, was held at St. Peter's Church Tuesday morning. Six little girl classmates acted as bearers.

Rutland is to have a society circus, the event being planned for the benefit of the teachers' pension fund. There will be no session of schools.

The new Congregational Church at North Pownal, replacing the structure destroyed by fire, was formally dedicated Sunday afternoon. It was in the basement of the old structure that James A. Garfield and Chester A. Arthur taught Sunday school while students at Williams.

Col. William W. Sprague, general agent of the National Life Insurance company of Montpelier for the counties of Caledonia, Essex and Orleans, died Monday at his home in St. Johnsbury of heart trouble. He served three years in the 15th Massachusetts regiment, and was taken a prisoner at Gettysburg and kept a year at Belle Isle.

Secretary Smith S. Ballard of the Vermont Automobile club is getting out the annual year book of the club which will be ready for issue in a short time. The book will contain a full synopsis of the automobile laws of this State and a transcript of the Canadian laws. It will contain the new highway map and also a list of automobile owners in Vermont. There has been a large increase in the registrations this year and they will probably number 4,000.

HIT POLE ON FIRST RIDE.

Michael Deloff of Pittsford May Die of His Injuries.

Rutland, June 12.—On his first ride on his newly purchased motor cycle, Michael Deloff of Pittsford received injuries to-day which may prove fatal. While he was going at top speed near Center Rutland his machine struck a telephone pole, and a motorman on a passing trolley car who saw him says Deloff was thrown 30 feet into the air. He was brought part way to Rutland on the street car and then transferred to an ambulance and rushed to Rutland hospital. His most severe injuries are internal. Deloff is unmarried.

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Boston	32	18	.640
Chicago	32	20	.616
Washington	30	21	.588
Philadelphia	25	20	.556
Detroit	25	27	.480
Cleveland	23	25	.479
New York	16	30	.348
St. Louis	14	36	.280

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
New York	36	8	.818
Chicago	25	20	.556
Cincinnati	27	22	.551
Pittsburg	24	19	.545
Philadelphia	19	21	.462
St. Louis	21	28	.429
Brooklyn	14	29	.326
Boston	15	31	.323

Finding that the privilege has been abused, Mayor Rinn of Allentown, Pa., has rescinded the permission granted policemen to enter saloons and get a drink when they wished to do so.

GOMEZ PROMISES PEACE IN 10 DAYS

Washington Believes President Honest in His Efforts to Suppress Rebellion.

U. S. FLEET RESUMES DRILLS

Warships in Cuban Waters Will Remain There for the Present Ready to Furnish Protection.

Washington, June 12.—In a statement to Rear Admiral Osterhaus, President Gomez has promised the suppression of the rebellion within 10 days. The state department believes President Gomez is honestly trying to suppress the rebellion and is determined to give him full opportunity to do so before even considering intervention.

An indication of this purpose was shown to-day, when, with the consent of the state department, the first division of the Atlantic fleet at Hampton roads, ready to sail at a moment's notice, was ordered to return to the routine early summer practice drills.

The warships now in Cuban waters will remain there for the present and their marines and bluejackets will continue to respond to calls for protection of foreign-owned properties but there will be no addition to that force unless the situation in Cuba becomes aggravated.

VICTORY FOR THE FEDERALS.

Havana, June 12.—There is little change to-night in the scene of the military operations in Oriente. The Cuban troops are still continuing the movement designed to surround the forces under command of General Ivonet. The most important action between the insurgents and the government forces has occurred in the vicinity of Daiquiri, 15 miles from Santiago, where the former were defeated with the loss of two of their leaders, some horses and a quantity of ammunition and rifles.

General Monteagudo has extended the period of grace to all insurgents wishing to lay down their arms to June 22. Small parties of rebels are reported to be taking advantage of this offer of amnesty. Wholesale arrests are still being made in all parts of the island and the number of suspects now in jail amounts to upwards of one thousand.

CONGRESS THANKS AMERICA.

Congress this afternoon passed a resolution of thanks to the American House of Representatives for giving the privilege of the floor to Col. Orestes Ferrara to plead the cause of the Cuban government. Rear Admiral Osterhaus to-day received an official visit from representatives of the national, provincial and municipal governments.

The negroes who were panic stricken by the demonstration Saturday night have resumed their ordinary avocations, apparently not fearing further molestation. The Americans residing in the country districts around Havana, who took refuge here during the past week, are beginning to return to their homes.

FIND VERMONT ROADS GOOD

Boston Auto Party Reaches Rutland Ahead of Schedule Time.

Rutland, June 12.—The 14 cars, carrying the members of the Boston Chamber of Commerce trade extension committee who are touring New England, arrived here this morning some minutes ahead of schedule time, having found the roads much better than expected between here and Brattleboro, where they spent last night.

Seven automobiles representing the Rutland Business Men's Protective association and five from the Fair Haven Chamber of Commerce, all gaily decorated with banners, met the party at East Clarendon, seven miles from Rutland, and escorted them to the city. The car of Governor John A. Mead, with the State executive and Maj. Harvey R. Kingsley, his secretary, as passengers, headed the welcoming party.

Officers of the Rutland and Fair Haven organizations dined with the Massachusetts automobilists and afterwards gave them a reception in a hall here.

MEAD OFF FOR CHICAGO.

Candidacy for Vice-Presidential Nomination Interests Vermonters.

Rutland, June 12.—Governor John A. Mead of this city, a delegate-at-large from Vermont, left Rutland this afternoon for Chicago to attend the republican national convention which is to be held June 18. Governor Mead's name will be placed before the convention as a candidate for the nomination for vice-president of the United States on the Taft ticket. Former Senator John L. Lewis of North Troy will make the nominating speech.

TAFT ASKS FOR $100,000 TO RELIEVE ALASKANS

Washington, June 12.—President Taft in a special message to Congress to-day asked for an appropriation of $100,000 to be expended by the revenue cutter service in caring for volcano victims near Kodiak, Alaska. The President's message read:

"Information comes of a reliable character that through the action of a volcano in the neighborhood of Kodiak, Alaska, more than a thousand people are rendered homeless and unless aid can be given them they are likely to suffer severely. I ask, therefore, an immediate emergency appropriation to be expended by the revenue cutter service under the direction of the secretary of the treasury.

"The danger is said to be in the neighborhood of large salmon canneries and should the streams of the country be clogged and poisoned, as is likely by the volcanic explosion, loss of life is certain to ensue unless relief is granted.

"I recommend that an appropriation of $100,000 be made for this purpose."

VASSAR RECEIVES $200,000.

Gifts Announced by President Taylor at Commencement Exercises.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 12.—Gifts aggregating nearly $200,000 were announced by President James M. Taylor at the commencement exercises at Vassar College. One gift, believed to be over $100,000, was made for the erection of a students' hall. The name of the donor is not made public. Mrs. Russell Sage added $75,000 to her original gift of $100,000 for the completion of the Olivia Joselyn hall in memory of her mother. There were 346 members of this year's graduating class to receive degrees.

DEATH OF FREDERIC PASSY.

French Economist and Peace Apostle Had Reached 91st Year.

Paris, June 12.—Frederic Passy, the French economist and peace apostle, died here to-day in his 91st year. The end came without any suffering at his home at Neuilly-Sur-Seine after a short illness.

According to his instructions his body is to be incinerated and his funeral is to be a simple one. His friend, the Rev. Mr. Wagner, the author, will recite the prayers.

The family this evening gave out the following extract from the will of the deceased: "I beg all not to enroll me in any politics, science, religion, party, sect or school. I am in the freedom of my feeble judgment of that grand universal church containing sincere souls and pure hearts who seek truth and justice. The world will only be saved on that day when it shall be penetrated with the necessity of self-respect, mutual love and the necessity of helping in the common struggle against forms of error and vice."

In connection with the suggestion that a Roosevelt bolt may throw the election of the next president into the House of Representatives, it has been discovered that the House as at present constituted would probably be unable to give either of the regularly party candidates a majority. The House would have to vote by State delegations, and is evenly split between two parties.

OLYMPIC TEAM SEEN IN ACTION

Heavy Rain Prevents Record Breaking—Athlete Introduced to Maynor Gaynor.

New York, June 12.—Nearly every athlete on the selected team which will represent the United States in the Olympic contests at Stockholm was at American League Park to-day and many of them were seen in action in the track and field competitions which were given for the benefit of the national Olympic fund.

All of the men were introduced to Mayor Gaynor and Col. Robert M. Thomnson, president of the American Olympic committee, both of whom addressed the athletes and wished them success.

Shortly before the games began a heavy rain storm deluged the grounds, precluding the possibility of record performances on either track or field. Craig of Detroit won the 50-metre dash in 5 1-5 seconds. Gissing of New York captured the 600-metre run and Kivlat of the Irish-American team took first honors in the 1,200-metre race. The finish of the 3,500-metre race was a striking one, Tewanima of Carlisle Indian school winning by four yards from George V. Bonhag, who was the same distance ahead of Berna of Cornell, these three being the only ones who covered the full course.

In the field events Ralph Rose of San Francisco was best at the shot putting, doing 51 feet 10 inches, with both hands. Horine finished third with a 6 feet 2 inches in the running high jump which Thorpe of Carlisle won, with a clean jump of 6 feet 5 inches. Allen of Los Angeles won the broad jump with 22 feet 2 inches. Duncan's best throw with the discus was 142 feet 11¼ inches and Champion McGrath sent the hammer 159 feet 4½ inches.

The Adams brothers, Platt and Benjamin, of the New York A. C., tied for first place in the standing high jump at 5 feet 3 inches and both declared that they had made arrangements to go abroad with the team.

PLANNING DEDICATION OF CROWN POINT MEMORIAL

Plattsburgh, N. Y., June 12.—L. M. Hays of Essex Junction, Vt., secretary of the Vermont Lake Champlain tercentenary commission, was here to-day to confer with the members of the New York commission relative to the dedication of the Champlain memorial at Crown Point on Friday, July 5.

Mr. Hays expects to be able to announce within a few days whom the speaker will be at the dedication together with the remainder of the program.

Saturday, July 6, the Champlain memorial will be unveiled here when the Vermont commission will be the guests of the New York commission.

JURY AWARDS STERLING $127.

Middlebury, June 12.—In Addison county court at 4:30 o'clock this afternoon, the jury in the case of Emery U. Sterling vs. Quinn M. Ford came in with a verdict for the plaintiff to recover $124.17 damages and his costs. The plaintiff sued to recover for services performed upon the defendant's farm. Another jury trial was started at two o'clock this afternoon, the case of Susie J. Jewell vs. Edward Gee, neighbors in North Ferrisburg. The case is based on a claim for damages by the plaintiff for having been bitten by an alleged vicious dog belonging to the defendant when the plaintiff went to the defendant's house to get milk.

ALMOST ANYTHING MAY HAPPEN NOW

Prominent Men on Both Sides Admit Situation at Chicago Acute.

TWO POSSIBILITIES RIFE

Bolt Talk Ever Present but Compromise on Third Candidate Holds Center of the Stage.

Chicago, June 12.—Apparently irreconcilable differences between Taft and Roosevelt leaders in the Republican party, borne on a rising tide of charges of bribery, theft and other accusation, to-night threatened to precipitate decisive developments before the opening of the national convention next Tuesday.

The charges of corruption were made in an open statement given to the press to-night by Director McKinley of the Taft bureau which directly accuses the Roosevelt managers of an effort to capture the convention by force.

Prominent men on both sides tonight admitted the situation had become so acute that almost anything might happen within the next few days. Among possibilities discussed in conference rooms, hotel corridors and party headquarters were two that continued to come up again and again.

The first of these was the possibility of a bolt of the Roosevelt forces and the organization of a "progressive party" if President Taft is to be renominated. The bolt talk was ever present during the day and once in a meeting of Roosevelt leaders rose to a point where William Flinn of Pittsburg, who was presiding, refused to let it go further.

NEITHER WILL SUPPORT OTHER.

The second possibility, and this seemed to hold the center of the stage to-night, was that of a compromise on a third candidate. A number of the leaders declared that now it was positively beyond question to expect the Taft or Roosevelt people to abide by the nomination of the other's candidate.

The situation was crystalized to a great degree by the action of the national committee in the contest hearings, particularly the California case, during the day. Roosevelt men criticised the work of that body with increasing bitterness.

The question of whether or not Colonel Roosevelt would come to Chicago, and what effect his coming would have upon the tense situation, came up at almost every turn of the endless discussions and arguments. Nearly all agreed that the arrival of Colonel Roosevelt would bring the situation to an immediate focus but the final outcome of such an event was disputed.

Late to-night after repeated conferences, the Roosevelt leaders announced that the mass meeting set for Friday afternoon had been postponed to Monday night; there was considerable speculation as to just why the date had been changed to the night before the formal opening of the convention.

The States that loomed large in the calculations of the Roosevelt leaders in case of a bolt were California, Oregon, Kansas, Nebraska, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, West Virginia, South Dakota, Minnesota, Wisconsin and North Dakota.

NO UNANIMITY OF OPINION.

The third candidate talk included Cummins and La Follette and then went on to the much debated "dark horse" possibility. A dozen names were mentioned in the latter connection but there was no unanimity of opinion among leaders in this regard.

Early in the evening Director McKinley issued a lengthy statement which, after claiming that Mr. Taft would be nominated on the first ballot, charged that the Roosevelt forces were planning "more desperate measures to prevent the inevitable."

"The effort to corrupt Taft delegates to the convention," said the statement, "has been under way for several weeks. It is common knowledge that seven weeks ago money was sent to two Taft instructed delegates in a southern State by telegram by a well-known Roosevelt leader now in Chicago.

"Within the last week two men, sent from New York to a southern State, have brazenly approached Taft delegates with offers of money in return for votes for Roosevelt. Other agents of a similar mission have made their appearance in several States recently.

"That a well-defined effort is on foot to buy the presidential nomination for Theodore Roosevelt is beyond question."

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The statement then charges that a plan is on foot to influence the local police force with a view to packing the convention hall with non-ticket holders and to "perpetrate in the hall a system of intimidation and terrorization which might easily culminate in a full-fledged riot."

"A plain campaign lie," was Mr. Dixon's retort to the McKinley statement and he refused to discuss it further.

Later in the evening the Roosevelt committee phrased its opinion of the national committee's action in to-day's contests in a lengthy statement. The Michigan case was characterized "as one of the most outrageous attempts at strong-arm tactics perpetrated by the Taft forces in a campaign marked by ruthless disregard of justice and fair dealing on their part."

"The rape of California," was the key phrase of the Roosevelt statement on the committee's action in the fourth California district.