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OHIO REPUBLICAN CONVENTION TO BE HELD EARLY IN FEBRUARY

Senator Foraker Addresses a Letter to Chairman Brown Asking That the Call be Made Requiring the Election of Delegates to the Convention by Primary.

Indorsement of a Candidate for Foraker's Place Will Probably be Allowed to go by Default in Order to Permit the Taft and Foraker Forces to Fight It Out Without Any Outside Interference.—Harry Daugherty, the New-est Entry into the Senatorial Race is Likely to Cut Quite a Wide Swath.—He Practically Says He Will Make the Fight.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Senator Foraker yesterday addressed a letter to Chairman Brown of the Republican state central committee of Ohio asking that its call for the Republican state convention require delegates to be directly chosen at duly authorized primary elections. The letter follows: "Dear Sir—In accordance with the announcements heretofore made I respectfully request that the Republican state central committee shall, in its call for the next Republican convention, explicitly provide that all delegates to that convention shall be directly chosen at duly authorized primary elections held in accordance with the statutes of the state applicable thereto. Trusting that you may bring this matter before the committee at the proper time, and that it may take favorable action on this request, I remain, "Truly yours, "J. B. FORAKER."

Toledo, Dec. 10.—The only comment Walter Brown, chairman of the Republican state central committee, would make after reading Senator Foraker's letter regarding the selection of delegates to the state convention by direct primaries, was: "We will be glad to consider any suggestions of interest from men of the standing of Mr. Foraker."

Earlier yesterday Mr. Brown stated that he would issue within 10 days a call for a meeting of the state central committee to fix the time and place for holding the Republican state convention.

Toledo, O., Dec. 10.—If Senator Foraker desires to test the sentiment of Ohio republicans on the presidential question, through a direct primary vote for state delegates, he will be accommodated.

ble eagle was one of the rejected coins from which the "trust" phrase was omitted.

Commissioner Vorys, ex-Governor Herrick, Attorney General Ellis and John R. Malloy will be home today.

While all the visiting Ohioans, except Critchfield and Malloy, are Taft men, there was no general conference at Washington of the Taft leaders of the state. No plans for the state convention were agreed upon. Nevertheless it was said that two questions have been pretty thoroughly threshed out. These are:

First.—The Republican state convention most probably will be held Feb. 4 and 5.

Second.—It is unlikely that the convention will indorse a candidate for United States senator.

Commissioner Vorys all along has favored as early a convention as was conveniently possible. With the usual 10 days' notice of the call for the meeting of the state committee and 30 days' notice of the call for the state convention, the first week of February is about the earliest date now possible.

Both sides of the Taft-Foraker presidential contest realize that a contest for the senatorial indorsement with a large field of probable entries, would complicate the main issue and prevent a clear trial of strength in the choice of delegates to the state convention for the purpose of deciding whom Ohio is for president.

If the convention omits to indorse a candidate, it is argued that all the senatorial aspirants will work that much harder for the election of a Republican legislator.

However, these aspirants may not be content with the proposed postponement of the contest to the next December's Republican joint caucus of the senate and house and may seek to upset the plan.

The first announcement of a tentative candidacy for United States senator to succeed Foraker has been made by Harry M. Daugherty.

Upon his return from Washington he was confronted with reports that he made a formal declaration while in Washington. He said: "Yes, I have noticed the newspaper announcements of my candidacy for the United States senatorship, which in a sense was a surprise to me. This subject was discussed quite a little during last week while I was in Washington. My trip to Washington was not on any political mission, but being there at a time when there was so much politics in the atmosphere, I was naturally attracted to it."

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SUICIDE CLAUSE IN POLICIES MUST STAND

Columbus, O., Dec. 10.—The decision by the Muskingum Company Circuit court, annulling the suicide clause of insurance policies in the case of the Knights of Maccabees against Caroline A. Ruedel, Tuesday, was reversed by the supreme court, Tuesday. The court sustained the suicide clause, relieving insurance companies from liability where the insured man kills himself.

YOUTSEY TESTIFIES

Life Prisoner Tells His Story on the Stand in Prison Garb

Georgetown, Ky., Dec. 10.—Henry E. Youtsey, who is serving a life term in the penitentiary for complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel, was the chief witness in the Powers trial today. He wore his prison gray on the witness stand and retold his sensational story of the killing implicating Caleb Powers, and former Governor Taylor in the conspiracy.

PLAIN TALK

Used by Huges in Firing Man Against Whom Charges were Filed

Albany, N. Y., Dec. 10.—Gov. Hughes has ordered the removal from office of John P. Ahearn, president of the borough of Manhattan, on the charges preferred against him by the City club of New York.

The condition of disrepair and neglect which President Ahearn permitted to obtain in the streets of Manhattan borough, especially those paved with asphalt, is the principal ground upon which Governor Hughes bases his action, but he alludes also to "grave abuses in the administration of the bureau of public buildings and offices, one of the departments under Ahearn's jurisdiction."

The governor takes pains to call attention to the fact that personal corruption was not alleged or proved against the borough president.

A. E. WILLSON BECOMES GOVERNOR OF KENTUCKY

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 10.—Governor A. E. Willson, republican, delivered his inaugural address and took the oath of office, as governor of Kentucky, at noon today. Fifteen thousand visitors are in Frankfort to attend the ceremonies. Mayor Hume of Frankfort presented Governor Beckham, the

retiring governor, a testimonial on behalf of Frankfort citizens.

WILL INQUIRE INTO PRESENT FINANCIAL SYSTEM

Washington, Dec. 10.—Resolutions of the democratic senators, calling for an investigation of the financial operations of the treasury, were today sent to the committee on finance under assurances of Chairman Aldrich that the committee would report the resolutions this week, calling for an inquiry into the present financial system.

FOURTEEN WORKMEN INJURED IN AN EXPLOSION

Cleveland, O., Dec. 10.—Fourteen workmen were injured today, two probably fatally, in an engine explosion following the bursting of a high fly wheel in the mill of the American Steel and Wire company. The explosion practically wrecked the building.

HINES JURY AT DAYTON HAS BEEN COMPLETED

Dayton, O., Dec. 10.—The selection of a jury to try Layton Hines, a negro, for the murder of Anna Markowitz, was completed today.

KENTUCKY POST OFFICE DYNAMITED AND ROBBED

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 10.—The post office at Central City, Kentucky, was dynamited early today. The loss is \$1,500.

NOBEL PEACE PRIZE DIVIDED, THIS YEAR

Christiania, Norway, Dec. 10.—Nobel peace prize has been divided between the Italian, Ernesto Moreta and the French candidate, Louis Renault.

FIGHT IS RENEWED

Trial in Conference Did Not End the Youngstown Affair.

Youngstown, O., Dec. 10.—Rev. Dr. C. H. Tinsley, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, who got some notoriety through a trial for heresy by the conference in Cleveland early in the fall, received yesterday thirty persons who had severed their connections with Epworth Methodist church to join his.

These thirty had been refused letters from Epworth church. Their desire to leave, they explain, arose from the fact that Epworth's pastor, Dr. S. F. Wood, was instrumental in having the charges brought against Dr. Tinsley. It is said that other members of Epworth church, displeased because the conference returned Dr. Wood to that charge, will take like action.

MORE BODIES TAKEN FROM MONONGAH MINES

One Hundred and Forty-five Were Recovered Up to Noon Today—Rescuers are Able to Reach All Parts of the Mine—Scenes in the Mining Region Become More Heartrending With Each Day.

Monongah, W. Va., Dec. 10.—Seventy-six bodies have been taken from the ill-fated Monongah mines this morning, and work of recovering the victims is progressing steadily. It is expected that at least one hundred will be taken out today.

The miners, found to not have been at work on day of disaster and who are safe, has lowered the list of casualties to 385. Deeper and more hopeless depression now seems to have seized the town of Monongah. Many bodies are being buried direct from the mine entrance, while others were buried yesterday either from the residences or from Catholic churches.

At noon today the bodies of 145 of the men, who met death in Nos. 6 and 8 mines had been taken out and it was said at that time that by the night a majority of those not buried under the debris would be removed. Rescuing parties are able today to reach all parts of the mine.

GENERALS ATTACK RUSSIAN WAR MINISTRY, FIERCELY

Stoesel, Fock and Reism Who are on Trial for Surrendering Port Arthur Claim the Fortress was Ill Equipped, Under Provisioned and Poorly Armed and Lay the Blame on the War Ministry.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 10.—Generals Stoesel, Fock and Reism, who are charged with joint responsibility for surrendering Port Arthur to the Japs turned their defense today into a furious attack on the war ministry. They will be sentenced to death if convicted.

In denying their guilt the accused commanders say the fortress was so ill equipped, under provisioned and poorly armed that an effective defense was impossible. They attribute its shocking condition to the war ministry.

WILL BAR FEDERATION MEN FROM THE MINES

Goldfield Operators Arrange to Open Mines Again Thursday With Non-Union Miners and Trouble May Result—Troops Now in the Camp Will be Distributed Through the District for Guard Duty.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 10.—The mines of Goldfield are to be reopened Thursday next. The wage scale is to be reduced. No members of the Western Federation of Miners will be given employment. Meanwhile men will be brought here to the number of 500 to take the places of the strikers.

Such was the decision of the executive committee of the Mines Owners' association reached yesterday. The change from Wednesday to Thursday was made to allow time to get men from other points to replace the strikers. Officers of the mine owners assert that they are depending largely on deserters from the federation. They will permit men belonging to the American Federation of Labor or affiliated unions to go to work, and will not bar men belonging to any labor organization except the Western Federation and the Industrial Workers of the World.

The streets of Goldfield are crowded with men and the air is filled with many wild rumors. C. H. Mackinnon, president of the Goldfield miners union, said that he did not believe there would be any violence.

Gov. Sparks will come to Goldfield Thursday. The troops now here will be scattered through the camp and will practically guard the mines. The card system as used at Cripple Creek will be introduced. Frank A. Keith, general manager of the Tonopah Mining Co., and other prominent mining men from other camps are here in consultation with the Goldfield owners.

A street brawl took place on Main st. today when a member of the Western Federation of Miners called a soldier a vile name. John Davis, who was walking with the officer, grabbed the offender and held him until another officer arrived. An attempt to draw weapons was prevented by bystanders.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 10.—The situation in Goldfield this morning was that the mine owners announced definitely, that they will reopen the mines, Thursday. They will pay \$4.50 for work below ground and \$4 for that above ground instead of \$5 and \$4.50, as heretofore. To meet this wage reduction they declare they will compel the merchants of Goldfield to sell their goods thirty per cent cheaper.

Work will be offered to anyone not connected with the Western Federation of miners. Governor Sparks will be on hand before an attempt to reopen the mines is made. It is probable that the troops of regulars will be moved into the heart of the camp before them. So far their services have not been needed, and, if they are needed at any time, it will be when the mines are reopened. But officials of the union say there will be no necessity for them, even then.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 10.—Colonel Reynolds, in command of the troops, sent here on request of the mine owners that he send soldiers to their mines. Thursday, to guard them for re-opening. They declared they feared the mines would be dynamited, but Colonel Reynolds took the position that there has been nothing to justify this belief and held that it would be impossible for him to send troops unless actual violence is done.

EVANS' BIG FLEET IS ASSEMBLED FOR CRUISE

Last of the Sixteen Big Fighting Vessels Arrives at Hampton Roads Today and From Now Until Monday Every Effort Will be Made to Have the Big Ships Ready for the Start to the Pacific.

Old Point Comfort, Va., Dec. 10.—The double-starred flag of blue, emblem of the commander-in-chief of the Pacific bound battleship fleet, flung to the breeze from the main truck of the battleship Connecticut today, and Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, formally assumed his position as leader of the greatest naval movement in the history of the American people. It was assembly day for the fleet, which is to set sail next Monday, and of the 16 great fighting machines ordered to skirt the southern-most end of all America and inaugurate a new naval era in the Pacific ocean. There were but two laggards.

Kentucky also is the oldest vessel among the 16, having been laid down with her sister, the Kearsage, in 1895, in the beginning of the war with Spain. Nine years ago in an ancient period in modern battleship construction, so great have been the strides in American naval architecture.

The Minnesota and the Kentucky are both to drop anchor in Hampton roads today, and then the historic fleet will be complete. The new Maine, which two short years ago was the flagship of the commander-in-chief, but is now thrown back to the eleventh place in the list, came in yesterday, making 14 battleships at anchor off here.

The ships are disposed in two long lines leading in a crescent which begins just off the Old Point pier and points toward Norfolk.

the auxiliary fleet, present a noble picture and add one more impressive naval event to the history of Virginia's far famed roadstead, where the battle of the Monitor and the Merrimack thrilled the world and set a new standard for future navies to build by. Crowds of sightseers from all parts of the country are assembled here to witness the final preparations and the departure of the fleet. The families of most of the officers are also among the visitors, and the week is to be crowded with social events of both formal and informal character, the principal function to be a naval and military ball the evening of Friday, the 13th.

Admiral Evans arrived Monday morning from Washington accompanied by Captain Ingersoll, his chief staff, and Lieutenant Chandler, his flag secretary. As his flag was broken out from the main truck when he repaired aboard the Connecticut, there were the customary salutes from the flagships of the various divisions and Admirals Emory and Sperry were soon en route to the flagship to pay their respects. The commanding officers of the artillery station here, Fort Monroe, also paid their respects to the admiral.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 10.—Sixteen majestic battleships the bulk of the American navy, lie at anchor at Hampton Roads today, ready to begin the 14,000 mile cruise. Before starting, Admiral Evans will hold a conference with his three rear admirals and sixteen captains. He will also make a personal inspection of each ship.

President Roosevelt, from the Mayflower, will send the great fleet on its voyage.



EMPEROR FRANCIS JOSEPH OF AUSTRIA. Francis Joseph, emperor of Austria and king of Hungary, was born Aug. 18, 1830, and came to the throne in 1848. Austria and Hungary under his reign have enjoyed an era of progress and prosperity.