

KANSAS CITY WON

SELECTED AS THE CITY IN WHICH DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION WILL MEET

JULY FOURTH IS THE DATE

VOLE ON LOCATION WAS OVERWHELMINGLY IN FAVOR OF THE GATE CITY

HAS A SPLENDID HALL

It Will Accommodate Twenty Thousand People, With Standing Room for a Few Thousand More—Eloquent Speeches Made in Presenting Claims of the Cities Seeking Honor of Entertaining Delegates.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—The next national Democratic convention will be held at Kansas City July 4. This was the decision of the Democratic national committee, which met at the Hotel Raleigh today to fix the time and place of holding the convention. Milwaukee was the only other city which competed for the honor of entertaining the convention, and the poor showing made when the vote was taken (the result being Kansas City 49, Milwaukee 9) caused general surprise.

The claims of the rivals as to hotel accommodations, railroad and telegraphic facilities were presented in open session by representatives of each city, and subsequently in executive session.

Gov. W. J. Stone, on behalf of Kansas City, and National Committeeman E. C. Wall, on behalf of Milwaukee, explained the financial inducements which the city each represented was willing to make.

Each offered the committee \$500, but in addition Kansas City was willing to furnish hotel accommodations for the members of the committee and the hall, with decorations, and music free of expense to the committee.

One of Milwaukee's strongest arguments was the political effect which the holding of the convention in that city would have upon the German-American voters in their allegiance to the Republican party.

It seemed to be taken for granted by at least two speakers that Bryan would be renominated and that the Chicago platform, in substance, would be reaffirmed.

Opposition to trusts, expansion and imperialism, together with every mention of Bryan and the Chicago platform, aroused enthusiasm, but during the open session of the committee there was no allusion to the issue of free silver.

Three dates for holding the convention were proposed—May 9, by Mr. Townsend, of Oregon; June 14, by Senator Tillman, of South Carolina; and July 4, by Mr. McGraw, of West Virginia.

A speech by ex-Senator Gorman, in favor of holding the convention in Kansas City, was held in the city of Kansas City, Mo., as the place for holding the national Democratic convention.

without a column, the roof being supported by great steel girders over a span of 150 feet of breadth. Its general seating arrangement is modeled somewhat upon the plan of the Metropolitan opera house, New York. The floor space is divided into arena, balcony, honey and roof garden, boxes-skirting the arena and the arena balcony. The stage is situated in the center of the arena. The total seating capacity is nearly 20,000, and with standing room the building is capable of holding more than 25,000 people. The arena alone seats 4,000.

To each side of the arena and under the first balcony numerous committee rooms, which have their separate street entrances. The building has no stairways, the upper seating being reached by inclined planes. Separate exits are used for the balcony and roof garden. It is estimated that the hall can be emptied at the rate of 5,000 people a minute.

Convention hall has, since its dedication, a year ago today, housed some of the largest audiences that ever gathered under roof in this country. Its acoustic properties have received special praise. Hon. William J. Bryan, who last June addressed the head camp of the Modern Woodmen of America in the hall, said later:

"It is hard to conceive how Convention hall could be improved upon for the purpose of large public gatherings." Maurice Grau, whose grand opera company sang here November last to record breaking grand opera audiences, said:

"It is a wonderful structure, complete in all its details, and has no equal in America," while Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, who a month later faced in this hall some of the largest crowds that he had ever addressed, said from the platform:

"I came 1,000 miles to find the best hall I have ever spoken in." Convention hall has already been wired to afford ample facilities for press correspondents reporting the convention, and spacious rooms set apart for the use of the telegraph companies will afford accommodations for an army of operators.

Kansas City being a central point, its telegraph lines radiating in all directions, and the capacity of these lines being equal to the facilities in any part of the country, the service should be prompt.

INDIANA POPULISTS. Name a State Ticket and Adopt a Platform. INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 22.—Populists of Indiana, at a state convention, today named the following ticket: Governor, A. G. Burkhardt; Tipton; lieutenant governor, C. M. Walters; Indianapolis; secretary of state, Dr. W. C. Carmichael; county auditor, John Wales; Hancock county; treasurer, W. H. Kunz; Loganport; attorney general, G. T. Barger; Shelby county; reporter of the supreme court, Charles E. Huffman; Clay county; superintendent of public instruction, Prof. William P. Beasley; Knox county; state statistician, A. L. Grindle; Stark county; national editors, Samuel Walker, Hancock county; A. H. Rowley, Columbus; members of the national committee, N. H. Motesinger, of Portland; A. G. Burkhardt, of Tipton; and Thomas S. East, of Madison county; supreme judge, First district, S. M. H. Rowley.

Resolutions were adopted favoring government ownership; "same treatment of gold and silver at United States mints; present ratio of 16 to 1;" election of presidents, vice president and supreme judges by direct vote; initiative and referendum; opposition to trusts; municipal ownership; additional pensions; recognition of the United States as a creditor of the world; and the issue by the general government, without the intervention of banks, of such value of full legal tender paper currency as may be sufficient for the needs of the people.

The committee on resolutions reported also in favor of the retention of the Philippines under the national flag, and of opposing the sale of intoxicating liquor, but, after a heated discussion, both planks were stricken out.

TO OVERHAUL CHINA

UNITED STATES WILL SEND A FLEET OF WARSHIPS INTO CHINESE WATERS

TSUNG-LI-YAMEN IS SURLY

DOES NOT HEED WARNINGS THAT MISSIONARIES MUST BE PROTECTED FROM ASSASSINS

GERMANY TO CO-OPERATE

Collective Note Sent by the United States and Other Powers Has Had No Effect Upon the Chinese Authorities, and Frowning Cannon Are to Be Substituted for the Pen and Parchment Pleas.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says: "The United States government proposes to send some warships into Chinese waters shortly, as the tsung-li-yamen does not heed the collective note sent by the United States minister and the other powers' ministers a fortnight ago, in which they demanded that measures be taken to 'insure the safety of missionaries. Germany designs to send ships for the same reason."

IMPRESSIVE SCENE.

Pope Blesses Fifteen Thousand Italian Pilgrims.

ROME, Feb. 22.—There was an impressive scene in St. Peter's when the pope gave his blessing to 15,000 Italian pilgrims, who filled the vast basilica. The appearance of Pope Leo borne on the sedia gestatoria evoked a tremendous outburst of enthusiasm. The air resounded with "vivas." After praying at the high altar, the pope, carried in the chair, listened to the singing of anthems, in which the congregation joined with fervor. It was then borne through the midst of the crowd and pronounced the benediction.

BRAZIL ROYALISTS.

Utilize a Celebration to Demonstrate Against Republic.

RIO DE JANEIRO, Feb. 22.—The Royalists used the celebration of the birthday of Viscount de Preto, premier under Dom Pedro II, to make a demonstration against the republic. They unveiled a bronze bust and held banquets. Eulogistic articles appeared in their leading organs.

BRITISH CONSUL MOBBED.

His Son Wounded and Consulate Sacked by Mussulmans.

BEYROUT, Syria, Feb. 23.—A mob of Mussulmans has wounded the son of the British vice consul, Abela Abdou, and has sacked the consulate. Troops have been dispatched and the consul general has gone to the scene of the disturbance.

Martinique Riots.

FORT DE FRANCE, Martinique, Feb. 22.—Agitators in bands of forty or fifty are traveling about the island endeavoring to stir up the resumption of work. The night before last an incendiary fire was kindled in the town of Francfort, and today there was a fresh fire at La Trinite, where three ladens, each laden with thirty tons of cane, have been sunk.

St. Winter Must Remain.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Feb. 22.—The political situation remains unchanged. The governor sympathizes with Sir James Winter in the desertion of his followers, and will adopt the course prescribed by international usage. Mr. Bond would not take into his cabinet Mr. Morine, the revolutionary leader, who assisted him in defeating the ministry. Mr. Bond is, therefore, unable to form a cabinet. Sir James Winter must therefore remain at the head of the government until affairs are adjusted.

Britons Slay Chinese.

RANGOON, British Burma, Feb. 22.—A British official attached to the boundary commission, named Hertz, while touring the hills-Chinese territory with an escort, has engaged and routed two considerable forces of hostile Chinese from Myittha, near the village of the Chinamen and seventy Chinese.

Austria's New Ministry.

VIENNA, Feb. 22.—The new ministers made their first appearance in the lower Reichsrath today. The premier, Dr. Koerber, expressed the hope that the relations between the representatives and the government would prove beneficial to the advancement of legislation. The premier was cordially received.

D. A. R. REGENTS.

List of Those Elected for the Various States.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Today's meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution was devoted almost entirely to routine matters. A motion to exclude all speakers from the Grand National meeting as read to the society precipitated a lengthy discussion. The motion was finally adopted.

Nominations for, and election of vice presidents general, occupied the afternoon. The result will be announced tomorrow.

The constitution provides that state regents will be elected when the congress is in session. Most of the states have complied with the provision. The regents so far elected are as follows: Alabama, J. H. Morgan; Arizona, Mrs. Hugh Price; California, Mrs. John F. Swift; Colorado, Mrs. W. F. Slocum; Connecticut, Mrs. Sarah T. Kinnel; Delaware, Mrs. Elizabeth C. Churchman; District of Columbia, Mrs. Charles H. Alden; Georgia, Mrs. Robert Pennington; Illinois, Mrs. William Talcott; Indian Territory, Mrs. Walter A. Duncan; Indiana, Mrs. James M. Fowler; Iowa, Mrs. Charles E. Armstrong; Kansas, Mrs. Katherine S. Lewis; Kentucky, Lucrécia Clay; Maine, Mrs. Helen F. White; Maryland, Mrs. J. Pembroke Thom; Massachusetts, Miss Sarah W. Daggett; Michigan, Mrs. Robert Pennington; Minnesota, Mrs. D. A. R. Monfort; Missouri, Miss Alice Lovel; Missouri, Mrs. George H. Shields; Montana, Mrs. David G. Brown; New Hampshire, Mrs. Josiah Carpenter; New Jersey, Miss E. Ellen Batcheller; New York, Mrs. Samuel Verplanck; North Carolina, Mrs. Edward D. Laton; North Dakota, Mrs. S. A. Lounsbury; Ohio, Mrs. Moses M. Granger; Oklahoma, Mrs. Cassius M. Barnes; Oregon, Mrs. J. W. Gard; Pennsylvania, Mrs. Thomas Roberts; Rhode Island, Mrs. George M. Thornton; South Carolina, Mrs. Clark Ware; South Dakota, Mrs. Andrew J. Mellor; Tennessee, Mrs. James S. Plicher; Texas, Mrs. Sydney M. Fontaine; Utah, Mrs. Clarence E. Allen; Vermont, Mrs. Julia J. Eddy; Virginia, Mrs. Hugh Nelson Page; Washington, Mrs. James S. Speck; Wyoming, Mrs. Francis E. Warren.

Receptions were tendered the visiting dignitaries today at the home of Mrs. A. L. Barber and at the Shoreham hotel, by Senator and Mrs. Lindsay. Senator Depey received the members of the New York delegation.

OVER THE FALLS.

Man Supposed to Be John Lazarus Jumped to Death.

NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y., Feb. 22.—A man between fifty and sixty years of age, supposed to be John Lazarus, of Mount Carmel, Pa., jumped from the Goat Island bridge into the upper rapids this afternoon and went over the falls. He came on a Lehigh Valley excursion train at noon, stopped at the express office and forwarded three bookshelves and a violin watch to Dr. J. S. Lazarus, Bloomberg, Pa. He wrote a letter which he dropped into a box, checked his grip and overcoat at the railway station, walked hurriedly to the government bridge and jumped into the river. Two policemen saw him jump.

DAN RICE DEAD.

Veteran Circus Clown Expires at Age of Seventy-Seven.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—Dan Rice, the veteran circus clown, died at Long Branch today after a lingering illness, aged seventy-seven years. Mr. Rice has been in a lingering illness for several months. He suffered from Bright's disease, but was able to get out driving until a week ago, when he took to his bed. His real name was Daniel McLaren. He was born in New York. His father nicknamed the boy Dan Rice, after a famous clown in Ireland. Mr. Rice made three independent fortunes. He was a comparatively poor man. With his own shows he traveled over the whole West, and also abroad. Mr. Rice leaves a widow in Texas. During his last illness he was writing a book on his life, and had about completed the closing chapter when he was stricken.

SUFFERED BY GAS.

Edwin Vance Lost His Life Trying to Save Another.

DECATUR, Ill., Feb. 22.—Edwin C. Vance, manager of the Union elevator here, and son-in-law of E. M. Pratt, head of the firm, died of gas suffocation today in an unsuccessful attempt to save the life of Irvine C. Edgar, a laborer. Edgar was discovered at the bottom of a blank tank in a helpless condition. Vance went into the tank to rescue the man, but was immediately suffocated by gas.

BULLETIN OF IMPORTANT NEWS OF THE DAY

Weather Forecast for St. Paul: Snow Flurries; Cold Wave.

1—Cronje Asks Armistice. Convention City Fixed. United States After China.

2—Washington Is Honored. Police Stop a Dance. Sons of Revolution Meet. Northwest News.

3—Minneapolis Matters. Opponents of Imperialism.

4—Editorial. McCoey After Sharkey. Ice Sports in Plenty.

5—Sporting News. News of the Railroads.

6—Live Stock Markets. Clark Case Hearing. Washington Day Banquets.

7—In the Field of Labor. City Political Gossip. St. Paul Social News.

8—OCEAN LINERS.

NEW YORK—Arrived: Steamer Teutonic, Liverpool; Ems, Genoa.

LIVERPOOL—Arrived: Celtic, New York; Waeleand, Philadelphia.

GLASGOW—Arrived: Anchoria, New York.

QUEENSTOWN—Sailed: Germania, from Liverpool, New York; Rhyndlaw, from Liverpool, Philadelphia.

TODAY IN ST. PAUL.

METROPOLITAN—"The Sign of the Cross," 8:15 p. m.

GRAND—"McFadden's Row of Flats," 8:15 p. m.

Palm Garden—Vaudeville, 2 and 8 p. m.

Summit Lodge, A. F. and A. M., Masonic hall, Laurel avenue.

Teachers' association meets, Central high school, 4:15 p. m.

Charter commission meets, city hall, 8 p. m.

Handball tourney, Maclester vs. St. Paul Athletic and Rowing club, 8 p. m.

Address on "The Uncaught Criminal," Rev. W. D. P. Bliss, state capitol, 8 p. m.

Lecture, "Mirabeau and the French Revolution," George R. Wendling, People's church, 8 p. m.

CRONJE DECIDES TO FIGHT

First Asked an Armistice for Twenty-Four Hours, Which General Kitchener Refused.

HE WAS THEN NOTIFIED TO COME IN

He Refused, Saying There Had Been a Misunderstanding, and That He Would Fight to the Death

—Boer General's Position Reported to be Hopeless—British Occupy Barkly West—Canadians Make a Gallant Charge at General Cronje's Laager—Believed That Cronje Is Making His Final Stand—Ladysmith Relief Expedition Progressing.

CAPE TOWN, Thursday morning, Feb. 22.—In reply to Gen. Cronje's request for an armistice of twenty-four hours to allow him to bury his dead, Lord Roberts told the Boer cadet that he must fight to a finish or surrender unconditionally.

Gen. Cronje's position is reported to be hopeless. The British have occupied Barkly West.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—The Daily News has the following dispatch from Modder River, dated Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 21:

"The Boer forces under Gen. Cronje are estimated at 8,000 men. At 12 o'clock he asked an armistice of twenty-four hours, which was refused. Later he sent a messenger to say he would surrender. Lord Kitchener told the Boer commander to come into camp. Cronje refused, saying there had been a misunderstanding, and that he would fight to the death.

"The bombardment was then reopened, and our lyddite shells set fire to the Boer wagons. We continued shelling the laager through the night, and in the morning resumed with Maxims and rifles, principally from the north side.

"On Sunday there was much waste of life in attacking, and the same result will be achieved without it. During Monday night seven Boers made an attempt to break through the lines, but they were captured, and their leader was killed. Four were carrying letters. It is believed there was one other who got through.

"Other prisoners say that Gen. Cronje marched from Magersfontein here without outspanning, a distance of thirty-three miles. Had he succeeded in escaping it would have been one of the finest performances in the annals of war.

"The Canadians made a gallant charge at the laager, but were driven back with loss. Gen. MacDonald and Gen. Knox are slightly wounded.

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Gen. Cronje is seemingly making his last stand. He is dying hard, hemmed in by British infantry and shells from fifty guns falling into his camp. In the third day of the fight the Boer chief asked for an armistice to bury his dead.

"Fight to a finish or surrender unconditionally," was Lord Kitchener's reply. Gen. Cronje immediately sent back word that his request for an armistice had been misunderstood, and his determination, then, as before, was to fight to the death. The battle went on.

This was the situation of Gen. Cronje Thursday evening, as sketched in the scanty telegrams that have emerged from the semi-silence of South Africa. Officially Lord Roberts wires that he has scattered the advanced commandos or reinforcements that were striving to reach Gen. Cronje. It is regarded as singular that Lord Roberts, writing Wednesday, should not mention the appeal for an armistice on the previous day, and also that the war office should withhold good news if it has any.

Without trying to reconcile even the scanty materials at hand, it seems plain that Gen. Cronje is in a bad, and even a desperate situation, and that the British are pressing their advantage.

RACE BETWEEN FOES. While the attack on Gen. Cronje proceeds there is a race for concentration between the Boers and the British.

The engagement with Gen. Cronje's 5,000 to 8,000 entrenched men is likely to become an incident in the battle between the masses. The scattered fragments of Boer power are rapidly drawing together to attack Lord Roberts.

While Gen. Cronje's position is reported to be hopeless, it is believed that he is making his final stand.

REPORT FROM ROBERTS. The war office has received the following dispatch from Gen. Roberts, dated Paardeberg, Wednesday, Feb. 21:

"Yesterday afternoon I was satisfied by a careful reconnaissance in force of the enemy's position that I could not assault it without very heavy loss, which I was most anxious to avoid. Accordingly I decided to bombard him with artillery, and turn my attention to the enemy's reinforcements. The Boers were driven off in all directions, losing a good many killed and wounded and about fifty prisoners, who say they arrived from Ladysmith two days ago by the railroad. They also said it was our artillery fire which caused them to abandon the kopje they were occupying. Our loss was two officers, Capt. Campbell, of the Ninth; lance-corporal, Lieut. Houston, of the artillery, and four men, all slightly wounded.

SUPPLIES FOR KIMBERLEY. The war office has issued the following from Lord Roberts:

"Paardeberg, Feb. 22.—Methuen reports from Kimberley that supplies of food and forage are being pushed on as fast as possible. There will be enough food to start the De Beers mines in ten days. By this means great misery will be alleviated. Hospital arrangements there reported perfect. He hopes Pretoria and the adjoining country will soon be settled.

BOERS EXPELLED. The Times has the following from Paardeberg, dated Feb. 21:

"We have expelled 600 Boers from an isolated kopje about a mile southeast of Gen. Cronje's laager."

CRONJE IN A TRAP.

PAARDEBERG DRIFT, Orange Free State, Tuesday, Feb. 20.—Gen. Cronje's relative positions of the combatants are likened to chess players, one of whom from time to time adds pieces to the board, while any loss to the adversary is irreplaceable.

PARLEY WITH CRONJE. The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Telegraph says:

"Gen. Cronje's request for an armistice was a mere device to gain time to dig trenches. Kitchener, however, gave him half an hour to consider whether he would surrender unconditionally or fight to a finish. The Boers then said their position had been misunderstood, and they would fight, and the battle was resumed."



Congress—When You Have Mastered That I Will Give You the Money Question.

—Chicago Record

ST. PAUL TO GET IT IN 1901

100 of one point. So the honors greatest credit belongs to Minnesota.

At the Auditorium this afternoon the following papers were read:

"Selling and Working of Butter," Grant Mallory, Freeport, Ill.

"The Future Prospects for Home and Foreign Markets," Maj. Alvord, Washington, D. C.

"What Are Bottles and Are They the Fault of the Bottlemaker?" T. Mortenson, Willow Creek, Io.

"The Cause of Mold and How to Prevent It," general discussion.

The following officers were elected at tonight's session:

President—George Haskell, Lincoln, Neb.

Vice President—L. Griffin, South Dakota.

Secretary—E. Sundendorf, Illinois.

The selection of the next meeting place is left to the executive committee, which is practically decided in favor of St. Paul, Minn.

THREATENED LYNCHING.

Maryland Mob in Pursuit of a Negro Offender.

ABERDEEN, Md., Feb. 22.—William Baker, a colored man, living near here, is surrounded in a swamp by a crowd of white farmers and will doubtless shortly be captured and roughly handled for an assault said to have been committed by him upon a sixteen-year-old daughter of Edward Bradford late yesterday. The engineer of a passing train saw a negro dragging a white girl into a thicket as his train sped past. He dropped off a note at the station and a posse immediately started in pursuit.

Indoor Lawn Tennis.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.—The indoor lawn tennis tournament for national supremacy was continued today in Seventh regiment armory. The singles were reduced to good players, while only three sets are the doubles to fight out the struggle for the championship. The surprise of the day was the defeat of J. P. Parrot, the New York expert, who won the Newport all comers last season, by Beals Wright, of Harvard. He decided to default to his next opponent and return to Boston immediately.

Mining Engineers.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—At today's session of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, Messrs. A. H. Brooke and P. C. Schrader read papers on the newly discovered gold mining regions of the Cape Nome district in Alaska.

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