

WASHINGTON LETTER

MATTERS OF GENERAL INTEREST FROM THE CAPITAL

Some highly important conferences have been held in Washington during the past week, conferences, which are likely to have a far-reaching effect on the fortunes of the Republican party. Secretary Taft and Wade H. Ellis, Attorney-General of Ohio, have been the chief conferees, and from time to time they have called in Senator Hopkins, who is to be the chairman of the Committee on resolutions at the Chicago convention, Senator Burrows, who is to be temporary chairman, Representative Burton, who is to make the nominating speech, and others including several men, who will second the nomination of Judge Taft.

Secretary Taft has shown his political friends and allies that he has a will of his own and that he has a keen appreciation of what he wants and does not want. For instance, he has firmly and emphatically rejected every suggestion that he permit the platform to be so drawn as to please the reactionary faction of the party and has insisted that without qualification it shall be a Roosevelt pronouncement, asserting emphatically and unequivocally that the party is committed to the Roosevelt policies, not only those which have already been framed on the statutes by a more or less reluctant Congress, but those which have not appealed to the last Congress, but which Mr. Taft will seek to have written on the statutes precisely as would President Roosevelt were his term to last long enough to accomplish that end. There have been some influential men in the party, who have insisted, that whatever might be the purposes of the Secretary, he ought to permit the platform to be so modified that it would not frighten the men, who are regarded as most capable of contributing generously to campaign fund but Judge Taft has been absolutely non-compromising and has insisted on standing on a platform which accurately represented his views.

So too in the matter of the tariff, Secretary Taft has insisted on a straightforward revision plank committing the party to a readjustment of the tariff schedules at a special session of Congress to be called immediately after March 4, 1909. It is violating no confidence to say that the Secretary would even like to see this attended to during the coming winter, but the leaders in Congress have pointed out to him that, in view of the filibustering proclivities of the Democrats, it is absolutely futile to undertake tariff revision in a short session of Congress. There will be nothing half hearted about the tariff plank which will follow closely the lines of the Ohio plank.

The question of the Vice-Presidency also has been discussed but both the President and the Secretary of War are disposed to leave the choice of candidate for second place to the convention. There is a rapidly growing eagerness on the part of available candidates to be nominated for second place on the ticket with Secretary Taft and the latest candidate to announce his desire for the honor is John Hays Hammond, the mining expert, who is reputed to be the largest salaried man in the world, having just contracted to work five years for certain mining interests at a salary of \$500,000 a year. There are many indications that Senator Dolliver of Iowa is growing in popularity for second place and it would not surprise some of the most astute politicians to see the Iowa man named. He is a Roosevelt man through and through and that is regarded as an all important characteristic.

Indications point to the selection of Mr. Frank H. Hitchcock as chairman of the national committee after its reorganization following the convention. Mr. Hitchcock will be particularly strong among the new members of the national committee from the south and west. His management

of the Taft interests has given complete satisfaction in every way and throughout he has demonstrated unusual ability as an organizer. Mr. Hitchcock has taken up his headquarters in Chicago where he will be on the firing line and will see to it that the allies make no inroads on his forces.

Speaker Cannon has requested Col. Hepburn, his associate on the commission created to supervise construction of the House office building, to remain in Washington as much as possible, as the Speaker is compelled to be away practically all the recess of Congress. Mr. Hepburn will settle any question that may arise and supervise the great amount of work yet to be done.

James Creelman, the noted journalist and magazine writer of New York is in Washington this week and declares that in the coming political contest he can see but two names, Taft and Bryan. "Judge Taft is the logical successor of President Roosevelt," he declared. "He is a broad-minded, genial, whole-souled man whose administrative ability no one can question. I do not think there is any likelihood of President Roosevelt being named at Chicago. He is good enough politician to prevent such a thing. He believes Taft is the man best suited to carry out the work he has begun, and I think that the people of the country are of the same opinion."

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Let all the sheepmen remember that wool sold for 8 cents under Cleveland's administration, good cows for \$12, good horses and mules for \$25 and \$30. Sheep men had to guarantee the freight when shipping their stock to Chicago for less than expenses of shipping.—Milan Republican.

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Last Sunday Montgomery defeated the Wabash Locals 10 to 5 in a very interesting and exciting game on account of the fact that Montgomery showed they were regular mud horses and could play a very respectable game under unfavorable conditions. Fuller pitched a good game allowing but one run in eight innings. Four runs were made in the first inning but after that the Locals were at his mercy.

Jonesburg in Flames.

Jonesburg was threatened with destruction by fire Tuesday night and was saved only by the bucket brigade formed by the citizens and farmers and who confined the fire to one side of the square.

The loss, due to the destruction of five buildings and their contents is \$50,000.

The fire started in Jones & McCullough's livery stable, which was destroyed. The flames then swept down that side of the square consuming the following places of business: Zerr & McCullough's butcher shop, Miss Ione Dull's millinery store, James Durmeir's wall paper and paint store, D. M. Heady's grocery and Dr. Deall's private bar.

The town is without adequate fire protection, and all that prevented the flames from sweeping across the street to another block was the herculean efforts of the citizen's bucket brigade.

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the country and in pamphlet form.

The award will be made and check sent to successful contestant about August 15th. Manuscripts must be mailed not later than July 15th to

Literary Bureau,
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Miss Alice Kirn has been elected assistant teacher of the Danville school, for the coming year.

Missouri offers the most remarkable specimen of what is called Democratic harmony. The party has six candidates for governor and two for the Senate, several of whom are bitter personal enemies and no two pull in the same direction.—Globe-Democrat.

Services at the Baptist Church next Sunday morning and evening at the usual hours. Everybody invited to worship with us.

Regular business meeting of the church Saturday afternoon, June 15, at 2:30, members requested to be present.

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