

PROMISE SURPRISES

"Allies" Claim to Have Something up Their Sleeve

TAFT MEN ARE OBDRURATE

They Are Going to Demand Everything and They Are Going to Fight for It, Too—Allies Hold a Long Conference.

Chicago, June 9.—Armed with the declaration of Secretary Taft that there must be no compromise in any contest, the Taft men went into the meeting of the Republican national committee today to fight for everything they can get out of the Louisiana contest.

Senator Lodge, who has been acting as committee man by proxy, was not a member today. Committee man McCoy of the Philippines got onto the job himself and Senator Lodge is completing his speech as permanent chairman of the convention.

Walter L. Cohen, the negro who heads the so-called "black and tan" contestants, declared that since 1900 the Republican vote in Louisiana has fallen off from 14,000 to 3,900, with a prospect that if the committee recognizes the Taft faction this year, the Republican candidates' names will not be printed on the official ballot.

While the committee was listening to contests, an extended conference of the management of the allies was in progress in Senator Hemlinway's room in the Annex. This conference, which began yesterday, so far has had an unproductive result, but the managers promise some surprises before they get through.

United States Senator Dick arrived today to take a hand in Foraker's fight for the nomination. He insisted that Foraker's fight is serious and that he will be a factor when the convention meets. "The action of the national committee on the southern contest is revolutionary," he said. "The Republican party is not accustomed to such tactics and I have no doubt the convention committee on credentials will reverse the committee's decision."

Taft's Gain Yesterday.

Sixteen more votes were gained for Taft today by the settlement of contests. Two of these came from Florida, six from Georgia and eight from Kentucky. These were all the contests heard by the committee. The settlement of the Kentucky cases engendered more ill feeling than has been manifested since the committee began its work.

When Senator-elect W. O. Bradley of Kentucky came out of the committee room after his defeat, he accosted Mr. Hitchcock with the following:

"I'm tired of this brace game you're running. I won't bolt the ticket myself, but I can't speak for Kentucky."

Mr. Hitchcock smiled and he replied: "I'm sorry, governor, but I don't see how we could both be pleased."

Representative William B. McKinley, manager of the presidential boom of Joseph E. Cannon, last night issued a brief statement in which he said:

"The action of the Taft people in the national convention simply demonstrates the weakness of their statements that they had enough votes to nominate Mr. Taft without the Southern delegates, or those involved in the contests. Our figures given out the other day are correct, and as the situation now stands, we have every reason to believe that no candidate will have enough to nominate him on the first ballot."

FORGAVE MURDERER IN HER LAST WORDS

Mrs. T. Pinotti of Boston, Shot By Her Husband Just Before He Committed Suicide, Died Today in Hospital.

Boston, June 9.—With words of forgiveness for her husband on her lips, Mrs. Terrell Pinotti, whose husband, a chef in a Boston restaurant, shot her yesterday before committing suicide, died today. Death was caused by blood poisoning and internal hemorrhage.

On account of the mystery surrounding the recent burning of Mrs. Margaret Parker's house in Ludlow, and her death in the fire, and for the sake of allaying any suspicion that might be aroused, the selectmen called for an inquest. Twenty or more witnesses were called, but only eleven were examined, the evidence given all confirmed occurrence and there being no indication of other than accidental cause for the fire and the woman's death.

F. L. Fish of Vergennes delivered the principal address at the dedication of the new town hall in Salisbury Friday evening.

ORANGE COUNTY COURT RESUMES SESSION

Jury Drawn in Suit by E. W. Cunningham Against the Bradford Fair Association—Ten True Bills Found.

Chelsea, June 9.—At the reopening of Orange county court yesterday afternoon a jury was empaneled in the case of E. W. Cunningham vs. the Bradford Agricultural and Trapping association. This is a case in remount. Frank S. Williams appears as counsel for the plaintiff and D. S. Conant and R. M. Harvey for the fair association.

The second case this term by jury trial was the Woodville Guaranty Savings company vs. Albert E. Rogers, et al. In this case, after the testimony was all in, the court ordered a verdict for the defendants. Messrs. Hosford and Wight of Woodville, and E. W. Smith of Wells River appeared for the plaintiff. R. M. Harvey of Montpelier, D. S. Conant and F. S. Williams of Bradford were the counsel for the defendants.

GOV. PROCTOR A GUEST.

Vermont Sons of Veterans Hold Meeting in Bennington.

Bennington, June 9.—At the 26th annual encampment of the Vermont division, Sons of Veterans, here yesterday it was shown that there were 22 camps in good standing, numbering 570 members in the state, and that the finances of the order were in good condition. Gov. Fletcher D. Proctor was an invited guest at a campfire at the soldiers' home last night.

Unique Feat in Cored Granite Monoliths.

Not the least among the feats in the rebuilding of San Francisco, is a piece of granite construction believed to be the only one in this country in which a granite monolith 18 feet long was cored out through its entire length, and erected with a steel reinforcing beam in the center. Four of these columns two feet in diameter were recently placed at the entrance to the First Federal Trust Co. building and Montgomery streets, San Francisco.

To Mr. Willis Polk, the architect, in charge for D. H. Burnham & Co. belongs the credit of the idea and the persistence of insisting on its being carried out in spite of the objections of contractors who feared to take the risks of breaking the columns at some stage of the work.

Nearly every contractor who was approached advised against the plan and some who were asked to bid on the work demanded as much as \$9,000 bonus handling the monoliths.

The McGilvray-Raymond Granite Co., however, finally agreed to undertake the work without bonus, and carried out every detail of the task from the quarrying of the columns upright in their beds in the company's quarry in Madera county, Cal., to the setting in place without a mishap or flaw of any kind.

It was made a condition of the contract that the columns should be quarried vertically and two sections over 30 feet deep and wide enough for two columns, were removed from the quarry, and stand now in position as in their natural bed.

After shaping and turning, before being drilled for the removal of the core it weighed eight tons. All the work was done at the company's quarry, with ordinary 1 1/2 inch steel drills—by hand. Each hole was drilled down to half the length of the column and a hole drilled from the other end to meet it. The process was repeated all around the core. Naturally it required highly skilled workmen for this particular work, but so accurate was the drilling done that each hole met midway of the pillar exactly, without the least "hog." When all the holes were drilled around the core, a flat drill was used to cut out the pieces of stone between the holes.

When all these connections were removed, the huge 8-ton pillar was carefully hoisted by a derrick, leaving the ragged core standing in its place.

Including all of the drilling required there were 300 lineal feet drilled in each of the monoliths, or 1,200 feet for the four columns.

In placing them in position each pillar was hoisted and carefully lowered over a "Y" beam of structural steel placed in position to receive it. The columns were raised from a horizontal to a vertical position with rope swings. In the bottom of each column, shoulders had been cut, and into these iron bars, to which were attached the elevators. The columns were hoisted to a height of more than fifty feet and slipped over the steel columns. After the weight had been released from the cables the elevators detached themselves and the cables were hauled out. All this was ticklish work.

At both top and bottom, the steel columns were bolted to the iron work of the building, and the space about them within the core was filled with cement.

WOULD TAKE PLACE AGAIN

If Vermont Came to Him By Unanimous Approval

OF PEOPLE OF DISTRICT

Venerable Senator Stewart of Middlebury Is Not a Working Candidate For Election as Senator, However.

Middlebury, June 9.—United States Senator John W. Stewart, who was appointed to his present position by Governor Proctor to serve until the Vermont legislature could elect a successor to the late Senator Redfield Proctor, today broke his silence regarding his possible candidacy for the same place at the hands of the legislature. His interview indicates that he is a receptive candidate.

Said Senator Stewart at his home here: "I have held every office a man could hope for at the hands of the people of the state, and I am not a working candidate for senator. However, if there is a unanimous sentiment for me through the district, I would accept."

A REMARKABLE OLD MAN.

Is William H. Holmes of Randolph, 97 Today.

Randolph, June 9.—Randolph has a truly remarkable resident in the person of William H. Holmes who today reached his 97th birthday. William Henry Holmes was born in Devonshire, England, June 9th, 1811 and was the youngest of five children, born to William and Elizabeth Stamm Holmes. He was educated at an academy in England and before he was 21 married Betsey Richards whose father was a gentleman farmer in that country.

In February, 1837 he came to Prince Edward Island where he was employed doing writing he being then and in later years an exceptionally fine penman, in a law office for four years and at the expiration of that time went to Boston, where he resided for many years, conducting a saddle and harness business on Tremont row.

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes had a family of eight children, of which four daughters are now alive, two of whom reside in New York and two in Boston. The wife died in 1886.

Fifteen years ago in October he purchased a house on the Highlands where he lived with his son's widow as since lived. "Holmes belonged to the Methodist church, and in 1850 he became a member of Park street church, where his membership still remains. In all matters pertaining to the duties of the church he has positive and definite opinions and still adheres with great firmness to the faith of his childhood. It is said that in all the years of his business in Boston he conscientiously followed his work with skill, never allowing any work to go out till it passed the test for thoroughness which he exacted. He was especially careful to show his disapproval of all forms of vice and evil practice never doing work for any who followed gambling which he used to denounce in no uncertain tones. Up to within a year he has been active and truly remarkable, his mind being bright and his extensive experience and travel added to the immense store of knowledge acquired by reading and study have made him a delightful conversationalist to whom his friends listened with pleasure and from whom they received much that was of benefit. Mr. Holmes is now unable to come down town, but still is able to be around his home and the grounds about it, on a pleasant day.

GOULD FAMILY GIVES CONSENT

And The Marriage of Mme. Anna to Prince De Sagan Will Be Attended by Brother George.

New York, June 9.—The marriage of my sister, Mme. Anna Gould, to Prince De Sagan is to take place with the full consent of all the Gould family," said George Gould today. "I expect to attend it while abroad."

IS VISITING IN VERMONT.

E. C. Bates, a Former Judge in the Philippines.

St. Johnsbury, June 9.—Honorable E. C. Bates, for many years a judge of the court of first instance of the Philippines, now of Berkeley, California, is at West Burke at present visiting his brother, William Bates. During the trip across the continent he was taken up with a heart trouble, but is now recovered.

DROVE MERCURY UP.

It Got as High as 80 Degrees in Shade at 1:30.

The mercury was being driven constantly up the tube from early morning afternoon today, until at 1:30 this afternoon a thermometer which may be considered far from radical registered at 80 degrees in the shade, making the second consecutive hot day, yesterday having been a warm one, too. Radicals went a degree or two higher.

Caledonia County Republicans. St. Johnsbury, June 9.—The Caledonia county Republican convention will be held in town on July 4.

OFFICIAL CALL.

For Republican County Convention in Montpelier July 7. The official call for the Republican county convention was issued today by the county committee and is as follows:

The Republican voters of Washington county are requested to meet in convention by their delegates at Army hall, Montpelier, Tuesday, July 7, 1908, at 1:30 p. m., to nominate candidates for three senators, two assistant judges of the county court, Judge of probate, state's attorney, sheriff and jailor, to be supported by the freemen of the county, at the next biennial election, also to elect a county committee.

Towns will be represented in convention on the basis of three delegates from each town and city and one additional delegate for each 50 voters or majority fraction thereof, as shown by the vote for governor in 1904.

Delegates will be chosen at a primary meeting called by the Republican committee in each town July 2, and will provide themselves with proper credentials signed by the secretary of the meeting at which they are elected.

They are requested to present such credentials to the county committee at Army hall immediately on their arrival in Montpelier on the morning of the convention.

Special convention rates to Montpelier and return from all stations in Washington county on the Central Vermont and Montpelier and Wells River roads.

J. H. Winch, C. H. Haines, C. O. Strickland, R. W. Putnam, C. P. McKnight, R. S. Currier, F. L. Hathaway, County Committee.

The representation shows Montpelier leading with 29 delegates and Barre City coming next with 19. Northfield and Waterbury have 11 each; Barre Town 8; Calais 7; Cabot, East Montpelier, Waitsfield and Warren six each; Berlin, Duxbury, Marshfield, Middlesex, Moretown, Plainfield, Roxbury, Woodbury and Worcester 5 each.

NOT A CANDIDATE.

Sheriff Sprague of Orange County Withdraws His Name.

Chelsea, June 9.—The political situation in Orange county is changed somewhat by the decision of W. H. Sprague to withdraw his candidacy for nomination as sheriff, which he does in the following letter:

"In fairness to all concerned, I am pleased to announce that an opportunity having presented itself for me to accept an engagement, the work of which will be more in line with my studies in preparing for admission to the bar, more agreeable and less conflicting than any official duties tendered in the present campaign, and for which I desire to express my sincere appreciation and gratitude. Respectfully, "W. H. Sprague."

CONVENTION OPENED IN ST. ALBANS TODAY

Vermont Congregationalists Now Have 22,055 Church Members, a Slight Decrease—Sunday Schools Gain.

St. Albans, June 9.—The 113th annual meeting of the Congregational convention of Vermont, together with the annual meeting of the Vermont Domestic Missionary society, at the Congregational church here this afternoon, at which time Mayor Atwood extended a welcome in behalf of the city and W. H. Crockett for the church and society. W. J. Van Patten of Burlington responded.

The annual report of the corresponding secretary, John M. Constock, was the first thing taken up. The report shows a total of 213 churches in the state, the same number as last year, with four dormant—those at Leicester, East Poughkeepsie, Rippon and Albany. Thirty-three pulpits may be considered vacant, although supplied by students during the summer. The others are regularly supplied with pastors.

The total membership of the churches is 22,055, a decrease of 29 since last year, although the additions exceeded the removals by 13. The discrepancy is due, it is thought, to more accurate count in some churches. Seventy-one churches showed no addition, but fifteen took in ten or more by confession. Among the number was the Barre church, which took in 23 by confession.

Total Sunday school membership was 19,172, an increase of 222 over last year. The total benevolent contributions for the year were \$91,618, a gain of \$10,451 over last year. Church property is now valued at \$1,970,956, which is \$113,900 larger than the year before.

WILL TRY TO SELL 11 PLANTS.

Receiver of Hardware and Wovenware Company of New York.

Brattleboro, June 9.—In connection with a proposition to sell the 11 factories operated by the hardware and wovenware company of New York, which was placed in the hands of a receiver several months ago, the stockholders of the S. A. Smith factory of this place, one of the company's plants, have voted to sell the factory for \$55,000, an offer that amount having been made.

A hearing on the petition of the receiver for permission to sell the 11 factories, which are located throughout New England, New York state and the west, will be held here today before U. S. District Judge James L. Martin.

The gross earnings of the Rutland railroad for the month of April amounted to \$210,525.35 a decrease of \$40,663.98 in comparison with April 1907. The operating expenses for the month were \$124,294.67. This is \$27,226.76 less than the same month last year. The decrease in the net earnings was \$13,130.22.

COMMANDERY SHOWS GAIN

Now Has Total Membership of 3,440 in Vermont

NEW ONE AT MORRISVILLE

At This Afternoon's Session in Burlington George H. Gorham of Bellows Falls Was Chosen Grand Commander.

Burlington, June 9.—The annual convocation of the Masonic Commandery was held today. An address was given by acting commander George H. Gorham of Bellows Falls. Grand Secretary H. H. Ross reported a total membership of 2,440, making a net gain of 140 for the year. A new commandery was instituted at Morrisville. The total number of commanderies is now thirteen.

Officers were elected this afternoon as follows: Grand Commander, George H. Gorham, Bellows Falls.

Deputy, Frank D. Dewey, Montpelier. Grand Generalissimo, Daniel S. Danforth, St. Albans.

Grand Captain-General, George F. Root, Newport.

Grand Senior Warden, Frank L. Clark, Rutland.

Grand Junior Warden, A. J. Lough, Montpelier.

Grand Treasurer, Charles W. Whitcomb, Proctorville.

Grand Recorder, H. H. Ross, Burlington.

LIQUOR WAS RESTORED.

Four "Dead Rat" Boarders Claimed Barrel of Wine Seized in Raid.

The four men who went up to city court yesterday afternoon and claimed the barrel of wine seized in the raid on the "Dead Rat," 400 North Main street, Saturday afternoon were rewarded, as Judge Scott ordered the barrel restored. The man, R. Gall, E. Bondi, D. Genralli and N. Colli, said they were boarders at the "Dead Rat" and that they had brought the wine for their own consumption, independent of what Mrs. Marietta Pachetti, the boarding-mistress, might serve for the daily repast.

The 21 bottles of ale and beer seized by the officers at the same time were condemned by Judge Scott after a hearing yesterday afternoon in the trial of State vs. Intoxicating Liquor. Mrs. Pachetti-Gudulli was declared the owner of the stuff and late in the day she was taken to the county jail at Montpelier, having failed to secure \$1,000 bail in two cases in which she waived examination. The woman says that her husband went away March 1 and has not returned.

FUNERAL OF R. B. CORDINER

Was Held from Church of the Good Shepherd Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Robert B. Cordiner was held yesterday afternoon, a prayer service being held at the house on Hill street, followed by the regular service from the Church of the Good Shepherd at two o'clock. The Rev. W. J. M. Beattie, rector of the church, officiated, and at the church two selections, "Nearer My God to Thee," and "My Faith Looks Up to Thee," were sung by Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Allen, Mr. Mitchell and Mrs. Pantano.

There were present a large number of friends, also Cian Gordon, No. 12, and the Glengie club, and the bearers were from those organizations, being William Paul, Samuel Gerrard, James Mortimer, William Cole, John McDonald and Daniel McLeod. There was a beautiful floral display. Interment was in Elmwood cemetery.

A brother-in-law of the deceased, William Alexander, came from Montreal to attend the service.

BARRE BUSINESS CHANGE.

Harry E. Cutler Buys Back Photographic Business from C. Bau.

C. Bau, the photographer, has sold his business to Harry E. Cutler of Burlington, who takes possession July 1. Mr. Bau came to this city six years ago from Greenfield, Mass., buying out at that time Mr. Cutler, who now resumes business in Barre. Mr. Bau sells for the purpose of getting a rest, he having no plans for the future. Mr. Bau has been very successful in his business since coming to Barre.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Shop stewards are requested to call for the Quarry Workers' Journals at the local office as soon as possible.

E. C. Cutler has sold his fancy driving mare, that took first prize at the Rutland horse show, to New York parties. Consideration, \$400.

The new pictures last night were as usual very good, especially "The Hanging Lamp," which was exceedingly funny. The song "Bonnie" made such a hit that almost the entire audience joined in with Mr. Roach and sang the chorus.

TIRED AND SLEEPY, BUT NOT DRUNK

Remarkable Trial in Several Respects Held at East Barre Yesterday, in Which Joe Beecher Was Acquitted.

Tired and sleepy after being up two nights on a fishing excursion, was the powerful defense that secured acquittal for Joe Beecher in a jury trial for intoxication, at East Barre yesterday. This defense was entered to counteract the claim of the state that Joe Beecher on June 1 went into Sargent's feed store at East Barre and took a snooze on the bags of meal, being intoxicated, it was alleged. If a man's been up two nights, why shouldn't he be sleepy and take a rest? demanded the defense. The prosecution couldn't answer, satisfactorily, to the jury.

The case was interesting because of its complications. A brother of the prosecuting officer was a member of the jury, while the presiding justice was the man who was first called to view Beecher as he was sleeping on the meal bags and who made an ineffectual effort to wake the slumberer. Yet the case went against the prosecution.

Whether Beecher had been fishing or not, the prosecution did not attempt to say; but it did insist that the man was intoxicated. Witnesses pro and con were enlisted. The defense denied the claim, saying that Beecher, who is foreman for Bianchi & Sons, went to Sargent's to buy some feed and that while waiting to be served fell asleep because of the previously mentioned fatigue brought on by prolonged fishing. He was arrested in the post-office by Deputy Sheriff Al. Hutchins a short time after Justice Diekey had attempted to rouse him from the slumber in Sargent's store. Grand Juror W. F. Cutler was the prosecutor, assisted by State's Attorney Gales, while Attorney M. M. Gordon defended.

The jury was out about ten minutes before bringing in an acquittal verdict. The six men on the jury were Herbert Southwick, Mert Cutler (brother of Grand Juror W. F. Cutler), Albert Desalnets, George Hutchins (brother of Deputy Sheriff Al. Hutchins), John Sullivan and George Al. Hutchins.

MAN AFIRE, ALSO AUTO

Gale Bennett Badly Scorched in Peculiar Accident

When Gasoline Ignited With a Flash and Enveloped Him in Flame—In Now in City Hospital—Auto Not Badly Damaged.

Serious injuries from fire were sustained yesterday afternoon by Gale Bennett, and he is now at the City hospital, where it was stated today that the patient was expected to make a rapid recovery as usual in such cases, although his arms, one side of his face and his head were scorched by the flames.

The injuries were the result of a most peculiar accident while he was engaged in cleaning his large Cadillac automobile at the garage in the rear of the Nichols building. He was using gasoline for the work when in some manner the oil became ignited. As Bennett was stepping over and intent on the work, he was in the very midst of the flare, which burst about him with the suddenness of a flash, and therefore had no chance to save himself. The oil on the machine made fuel for the fire, and his clothes immediately caught fire.

Startled by the attack and smarting with pain, he started to run for Main street, but was stopped by several men who were working about the garage, and was rolled in the sand of the road by them, while others threw sand on him and extinguished the fire. That was not accomplished, however, until he had been very painfully burned. His arms were the most injured, the flesh and skin hanging from the members. He was placed in an automobile and hurried to the hospital, where steps were taken to alleviate the suffering. He is resting comfortably today, and as he did not inhale any flame his recovery is expected in a short time.

After the fire on Bennett's person had been quenched, willing hands attacked the blaze which enveloped the automobile, using two hand grenades and a quantity of sand, getting the fire out before it had seriously damaged the machine, which is a new four-cylinder Cadillac. It took prompt work to save the machine and to prevent the fire from spreading to buildings nearby. The automobile was outside the garage and therefore apart from any wood, but the flames reached out in a threatening manner and crept up high enough to scorch a young tree nearby. The damage to the machine can be repaired easily.

The cause of the explosion is not known. There hadn't been a fire in the machine's engine for an hour or so, but the engine was very hot, it is said. Others think that a spark from a cigar might have been the cause, as men were smoking not far away. But the latter cause is hardly probable. It is said also that defective wiring may have caused a spark.

MONTEPELIER HIGH'S CLASS DAY.

Was Held Last Evening at East State Street Building.

Class day exercises of the class of 1908 at Montpelier high school were held last evening in the East State street auditorium. In spite of the incense heat a good sized audience was present. The following program was carried out: Address to undergraduates, Mary Taft; "A Village Mystery," Pearl Hill; class history, Robert Pierce; class prophecy, Ruth Deming; "Industrial Training," Adeline Gale; "White Angels," Helen Finn; class characteristics, Ruth Ellis; class poem, Annie Wheelock; class essay, Marion Willey; "A sisterly Scheme," Hilda Brooks; class oration, Clyde Worthen; class will, William Bailey. Following this the class song was sung. The graduating exercises will take place at the opera house tomorrow evening.

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TO-NIGHT IN BARRE.

Spaulding prize speaking, opera house. Aldermen, regular meeting. The Comique picture show, A. Temple block. Theatricals, 40 Main street. Masterson's theatre, Scampliff block.

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