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# *REPUBLICAN CONVENTION GETS UNDER WAY AS THOUSANDS JAM THE COLISEUM TO ITS CAPACITY*

**No Change in the Line-Up Was Discernible at the Opening and the Various Managers of Campaigns Confessed They Saw No Tangible Evidence of the Way the Wind Was Blowing.**

## FIRST BALLOTING IS EXPECTED TO COME MIDDLE OF THE WEEK

**There Were 10,000 People Packed in the Huge Building When the Convention Was Called to Order—Just Prior to Opening There Were Frantic Efforts to Buttonhole Delegates.**

Coliseum, Chicago, June 8.—The Republican national convention was called to order at 11:34 a. m., soon after Chairman Hays appeared on the platform. He was greeted with rounds of applause and shouts.

Chicago, June 8.—Hours before the doors were opened at the big Coliseum to-day thousands were waiting and hoping to get in for a look at the unbossed Republican national convention.

Only a fraction of those who applied for seats could be admitted, however, despite the hall's capacity of more than 10,000.

Political activities moved out of the hotel district and into the Coliseum itself with the assembling of the first session. It was the first opportunity for the various managers to meet the delegates altogether, and instead of buttonholing them singly and in groups, they went after them in delegations.

To-day's proceedings in the hall had little to do with the actual nomination, they were merely a routine but indispensable preliminary to the sessions to follow.

True, the preliminaries include the keynote speech by Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, temporary chairman, and that is the really big business of the first day. Whether the temporary organization with Senator Lodge as chairman is to be made the permanent one was still undetermined to-day.

The crisp, cool weather, which kept Chicago chilly all during pre-convention week, suddenly disappeared to-day and the sun came out with a blistering blast and flooded the town with a temperature which sent the thermometers bounding upward. Everybody agreed, however, it was better than the constant rainfall which covered the city during the convention four years ago.

While last-minute arrangements were being made, no change in the line-up was discernible and various managers frankly admitted they saw no tangible evidences of which way the wind is going to blow. They were still looking forward to the first ballots, which will come during the middle of the week, to develop, to point the way to courses of action.

The convention actually opened its first session at 11 o'clock, Chicago time.

Forty minutes before the convention was due to open, the band struck up and the delegations began getting into position. The hall was filling rapidly and many of the notables were arriving. There was a remarkable absence of confusion. The old timers said it looked almost as tame as four years ago.

Unlike former conventions, the old guard came early. In the old days they were the last to arrive, being held back by conferences. As many of the leaders took their seats without causing a ripple of excitement, the band played a mournful air.

There were many women delegates and alternates on the floor.

**Connecticut Up Front.**

The seating arrangements were altogether different from what they were four years ago. In the front rows were delegates from California, North Dakota, Arkansas, Connecticut, Colorado and Virginia.

The platform was slow in filling up. Apparently the leaders were in conference elsewhere to determine what was to be done on the question of permanent organization. The women delegates were eagerly sought by the scouts of the campaign managers and held quite a hand-shaking affair of their own. They seemed to be enjoying their first participation in a national convention. The band continued to blare off popular airs with regularity and the delegates and alternates continued to pour in at all the doors. The galleries were filled early with the fortunate hundreds who managed to get in to the disappointment of the unlucky thousands who lost out on the tickets. The opening moments were spent in informal conferences among the delegates on the floor and renewals of old acquaintances.

Generally the condition in the hall was remarkably quiet. Nobody seemed to have any more definite idea of how things were going to line up than they did last week.

Twenty minutes before the hour set for the opening the crowd was still streaming in. It was not till then that the electric lights were turned on, throwing into relief the thousands of American flags that comprised the only decorations. The floor was about half full at that time.

Up to the moment temporary Chairman Lodge left his hotel for the Coliseum there had been no final determination on the question of permanent organization and it was believed the chances were good of making the temporary organization permanent, thus avoiding two keynote speeches. Moreover, it would dispose of the danger of engendering ill feeling by a contest such as has been going on by supporters of Senator Beveridge of Indiana and Senator Medill McCormick of Illinois. Advocates of the two different organizations continued to wage their fight, however, and National Chairman Hays was understood to favor Senator McCormick.

**The Band Strikes Up.**

The audience began to show the first signs of animation when the band struck up "The Stars and Stripes Forever." Whistlers in some parts of the visitors' galleries accompanied the band. The first applause that swept the hall came at the conclusion of this national selection.

From the "Stars and Stripes" the band swung into "Dardanella" and there was immediate response with shuffling of feet and suggestion of shimmy from some of the negro delegates from Tennessee.

### ARRESTED ON MURDER CHARGE.

**Solomon Johns of Philadelphia Captured in Springfield, Mass.**

Springfield, Mass., June 8.—Solomon Johns, aged 36, colored, proprietor of a restaurant in Philadelphia, where he is wanted for the alleged murder of his wife June 1, was arrested here to-day.

**City Moonshiners Rival Mountaineers.**

"Yankee" John Barleycorn, a direct descendent of one of America's settlers—Indian whiskey—is dying in most approved alcoholic style, very, very hard.

William G. Shepard, in The Home Sector, gives some interesting data about the death throes of the last of the Barleycorns—in which he says that internal revenue men, who in days of yore participated in many bloody battles in the silvan dells of mountain strongholds adjacent to enemy's dugout that contained something besides hand grenades, nowadays search for "stills" in the crowded sections of the big cities.

He gives this story of a man from across the sea who was attempting to make Chicago wetter than gay Paree: "Not long ago a Frenchman rented an apartment in an old building in Chicago, and started to distill whiskey. In the making of whiskey there is a slushy, unsavory by-product formed by the cooked grain.

"This Frenchman's still, made of a kettle and a small coil, worked to perfection, but the problem of how to dispose of his by-product was a severe one.

"There was a chimney hole in the room. The house was steam-heated and he knew that the chimney was unused. So he put his boiled 'mash' into the stove pipe hole. It fell to the foot of the chimney, in the basement. For weeks he continued his practice, but suddenly, one evening, there was an exciting pounding at his door. He didn't open the door, but he heard a man shout:

"'There's something leaking into our rooms through the chimney hole. It smells like hell. Is it the same in your room, too?'

"'I'll come down to your rooms in a minute,' said the Frenchman.

"As soon as his neighbor had gone down the stairs the Frenchman put on his hat and coat and went away from that place forever. The mystery reached the ears of the police, and through them came to the attention of the government moonshine hunters."

### *RESOLUTIONS OF MANY KINDS PRESENTED*

**At Second Day's Session of the American Federation of Labor in Montreal.**

Montreal, June 8.—Resolutions covering political and economic conditions in the United States and labor demands upon the administration forces of that country were presented by the score when the American Federation of Labor opened its second day's session here to-day.

These resolutions demanded a "hands off" policy toward Mexico; Public ownership of railroads with democratic administration; re-affirmation of home rule for Ireland, appointment of a committee to lay foundation for an American labor party, lifting of the blockade of soviet Russia, re-establishment of trade relations with Russia and recognition of the soviet government, impeachment of Attorney General Palmer, condemnation of Postmaster Burleson, condemnation of industrial courts, repeal of railroad legislation enforcing compulsory arbitration and establishment of an educational system on management for the workers.

Another resolution presented by Abraham Lefkowitz of the American Federation of Teachers, asks for the "democratization of the school systems," by giving the teachers a voice in framing the educational policies of each community. The resolution also recommended that the schoolhouses of the nation be thrown open for use as public forums for political and economic discussions.

Owing to the absence of President Samuel Gompers, who left yesterday for Chicago, the convention will enact little business until Friday.

While the election does not come up until next week, opinion apparently was unanimous that Mr. Gompers will be unopposed for re-election for the 39th time.

The International Labor Press of America announced to-day that it had adopted a resolution endorsing the federation's non-partisan political policy. The press organization also announced the election of Matthew Woll of Chicago, as president. C. L. Dain, Boston, was elected fifth vice-president. The International Labor Press now has 300 union trade papers, members.

### AMERICANS WINNING.

**Several Drew Victories in Golf at Muirfield.**

Muirfield, Scotland, June 8.—Play in the second round of the British amateur golf championship opened to-day with a victory for the American contingent when Nelson N. Whitney of New Orleans defeated E. Martin-Smith, St. Georges, by a score of 2 up and 1 to play. Another outstanding match was the easy victory of J. L. Jenkins, championship holder since 1914. Jenkins defeated A. N. Roberts, Wallasey, 7 and 5.

Robert A. Gardner of Chicago, United States champion in 1915, who drew a bye in the first round, also entered the winning lists by defeating M. Burrell, Troon, on the home green after a close match.

### CHEAP NOMINATIONS.

**Candidates Pay Little for Running for Congress Positions.**

Washington, June 8.—Getting nominated for Congress is cheap despite the primary system, according to expense statements filed by candidates with Tyler Page, clerk of the House of Representatives. In about 30 states apparently it cost nothing, for not a single statement has been filed from them.

The admitted costs range from four cents to $5,000. Henry Spaan, an Indiana Democrat, wrote a couple of letters, hence the four-cent item, while E. W. Rothrock, a Pennsylvania Republican, spent the $5,000. Other candidates, scattered throughout the country, place the cost at 50 cents to a few hundred or thousand dollars.

### GEN. MARCH IN BELGIUM.

**American Was Given a Military Reception.**

Antwerp, June 7.—General Peyton C. March, chief of staff of the American army, arrived here to-day and was given a military reception by Belgian officials and American staff officers.

General March will inspect the American camp here to-morrow, leaving for Brussels at noon. He will start for Coblenz on Wednesday.

### PRICES DROP IN FRANCE.

**Country Is Getting Back to Work—Big Harvest in Prospect.**

Paris, June 8.—Declines in the cost of necessities of life, which are general throughout France, are outlined by several newspapers to-day, all of which declare that France is getting back to work and that a fine harvest is in prospect. Some say that the attitude of the public in buying only what is strictly necessary has had much to do with decreases in prices recently.

### SEVEN PEOPLE KILLED

**In Melees Caused By High Cost of Food in Vienna.**

Vienna, June 8.—Violent demonstrations occurred here yesterday, being caused by the high cost of food. Police intervened and several melees occurred. Throughout the city, seven persons being killed and 12 wounded. Many arrests were made during the day.

**F. S. Peck, Rhode Island, National Committeeman.**

Chicago, June 8.—National committeemen elected yesterday included F. S. Peck, Rhode Island.

## LOWDEN MASTER IN OWN STATE

Won Victory Over Mayor Thompson in Illinois Caucus Last Night

BUT HE MAY LOSE COOK COUNTY VOTE

Vote in the Caucus Was 36 to 23—Thompson Off National Committee

Chicago, June 8.—Governor Lowden goes into the Republican convention undisputed master in his home state as a result of his victory last night in the Illinois caucus over Mayor William Hale Thompson of Chicago, but probably will lose the 17 Cook county (Chicago) votes which Thompson controls.

The governor's slate went through after one test vote, in which his forces defeated those of Thompson, 36 to 23. Senator Lawrence Y. Sherman was chosen national committeeman to succeed Thompson and Senator Medill McCormick was named for the convention committee on resolutions which Thompson sought.

### DEMPSEY TRIAL ON.

**Champion Heavyweight Pugilist Is Charged With Evading Draft.**

San Francisco, June 8.—William Harris (Jack) Dempsey, champion heavyweight pugilist and his manager, Jack Kearns, charged with conspiracy to evade the selective military service, appeared for trial to-day in the United States district court here.

The indictment charged specifically that as a result of the alleged conspiracy Dempsey falsely swore that his mother, father and wife were wholly dependent upon him and that he thus obtained deferred classification.

Attorneys for the government have announced that Mrs. Maxine Dempsey, divorced wife of Dempsey, would be called as a witness for the prosecution.

### STOLE FROM FREIGHT CARS.

**Four Men Were Sentenced at Providence, R. I.**

Providence, R. I., June 8.—Jail sentences were imposed by United States District Judge Brown to-day on four who pleaded guilty to larceny from freight cars. George Fitzpatrick of Providence admitted stealing $1,500 worth of woolen suitings and was sentenced to one year and one day at Atlanta. Albert Baron pleaded guilty to stealing 6,000 yards of cotton cloth and was given four years in Atlanta; James Toto was sent to jail for 11 months, and Sylvester Morgera got eight months, both pleading guilty to stealing cigarettes and shoes.

### GALVESTON QUIET.

**Several Hundred Troops Are There and More Are Expected.**

Galveston, Texas, June 8.—Military rule prevailed in Galveston to-day as a result of Governor W. P. Hobby's order to Texas national guardsmen to take charge of the situation growing out of the protracted strike of longshoremen. Several hundred troops are here and other units are expected. The city is quiet.

Protests against the governor's proclamation placing the city under martial law continued to be made to-day. The city commissioners in addition to sending a protest to the governor, were reported to have instructed the city attorney to institute proceedings to deny a camp site to the guardsmen.

### SUGAR 30 CENTS.

**Fixed by New Foundland Food Control Board.**

St. Johns, N. F., June 8.—The New Foundland food control board, in taking over control of all sugar sales in this colony, has fixed the price at 30 cents a pound. The price will be stabilized at this figure until the end of the year at least. The board announced that its order was issued "to protect the public against the probable price of 40 cents a pound in a few months, which would have been inevitable if this step were not taken."

### GO ON SHORT TIME.

**Curtailment in Business Given as the Cause.**

Andover, Mass., June 8.—With the exception of a few departments the Marland mills plant of the M. T. Stevens and Sons company will operate only three days a week for the present, according to an announcement today. About 300 hands are affected. General curtailment in business is announced as the reason for the reduction in working hours.

### BOLSHEVIKS CLAIM VICTORY.

**They Say They Repulsed Polish-Ukrainian Attacks.**

London, June 8.—Repulse of Polish-Ukrainian attacks in the Kiev region and further south is reported in Monday's official bolshevik statement, from Moscow, received by wireless to-day. An engagement to the east of Bobruisk in which the soviet forces were successful is also reported.

## NEGRO ELECTED OVER WOOD MAN

Henry Lincoln Johnson Chosen National Committeeman from Georgia

WOOD DELEGATES TO CARRY ON FIGHT

Johnson Had Led Fight for the Lowden Delegates Before National Committee

Chicago, June 8.—Henry Lincoln Johnson, an Atlanta negro, who led the fight of the Lowden delegates before the Republican national committee, was to-day elected national committeeman from Georgia by the state delegation.

The Wood delegates, headed by Roscoe Pickett, the defeated candidate for national committeeman, announced that they would carry their fight to the credentials committee of the convention. Johnson, at the hearings, had told the national committee he would forego his hopes of being national committeeman if the Lowden delegates were seated.

Other committeemen elected or re-elected are:

Arizona, Allan B. Jaynes; Massachusetts, John W. Weeks; Missouri, J. W. Bableri; Mississippi, M. J. Mulvihill; New York, Charles D. Hilles; New Jersey, H. F. Kean; Oregon, Ralph E. Williams; Porto Rico, Robert H. Tood; Texas, H. F. McGregor; Virginia, C. B. Slemp; Washington state, Guy E. Kelly; Indiana, Joseph B. Keating, in succession to ex-Senator Hemenway, who declined re-election; Connecticut, J. Henry Roraback; Alabama, Oliver D. Street; Colorado, Dr. Hubert Work; Delaware, T. Coleman du Pont; Maine, Guy P. Gannett; Nebraska, R. E. Howell; New Hampshire, F. W. Estabrook; New Mexico, H. O. Bursum; North Dakota, Gunder Olson; Ohio, Rudolph K. Hinicks; Pennsylvania, Boies Penrose; Vermont, Earle S. Kinsley; Wyoming, Patrick Sullivan.

### *VT. CORPORATIONS TO ENCOURAGE HOMES*

**Randolph and Newport Have Concerns Whose Purpose It Is to Induce People to Own Their Own Homes.**

The Randolph Co-operative Savings and Loan association has filed articles of association in the secretary of state's office for the purpose of building homes and urging savings among the residents of Randolph. The capital stock must not exceed $100,000. No shareholder can have more than $1,000 at one time and the shares are $200 each. C. J. Stockwell, G. P. Lamson, D. L. Chadwick and over 40 others have signed the papers.

The Newport City Building association, organized for the purpose of building homes in Newport City, has been organized. The capital stock is $50,000. The papers are signed by B. W. Wilcox, C. A. Drown, H. O. Smith and several others.

### OSBORNE DONS "CIVIES."

**After Completing His Work of Investigation of Naval Prisons.**

Portsmouth, N. H., June 8.—Thomas Mott Osborne, formerly commandant of the naval prison here, to-day completed a report to the navy department on his investigation of naval prisons and detention camps on the Atlantic coast. He then put on civilian clothes for the first time in nearly three years.

During the war, Osborne was a lieutenant commander in the naval reserve. He resigned some time ago and his resignation was accepted, to be effective with the completion of his investigation.

Mr. Osborne said that he planned to continue in prison work as a consulting expert and to write a history of the Portsmouth naval prison and of Sing Sing.

### FORMER WATERBURY WOMAN.

**Mrs. Charles E. Wyman Was Widow of Well-Known Merchant.**

Waterbury, June 8.—Mrs. Charles E. Wyman, widow of the late Charles E. Wyman, for 30 years in the mercantile business here, died last evening at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank K. Graves of Apponaugh, R. I., where she had been residing for the past five years. The funeral will be held in the Methodist church in Waterbury Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

The deceased was about 80 years old and before her marriage was Lucretia Smith. Until the death of her sister, Mrs. H. O. Ward of Moretown, Mrs. Wyman divided her time between her home here and Mrs. Ward's. She is survived by her daughter and a son, Charles Wyman, living in the West, besides three grandchildren.

### DROPPED 19,800 FEET.

**Lt. John P. Wilson Claims Record for a Parachute Drop.**

San Antonio, Texas, June 8.—Second Lieutenant John P. Wilson of Charlotte, N. C., stationed at Kelly flying field, to-day claimed a new world's record for a parachute drop, 19,800 feet. Lieutenant Wilson made his leap yesterday, landing 18 miles from San Antonio. The former record is said to have been 14,000 feet, made by a French aviator.

### MUCH MARRYING IN BOSTON.

**One Hundred Couples Applied Yesterday for Legal Sanction to Marry.**

Boston, June 8.—A record in the number of marriage licenses issued here in one day was made yesterday. City Registrar McGlinnen announced today that 100 couples applied yesterday for legal sanction to marry.

## GRANITE BANK TO ENLARGE

Extensive Changes Planned and the Work Will Be Started at Once

ADDITION ON REAR, FRONT REMODELED

Customers' Lobby Will Be Three Times Present Size

The Granite Savings Bank & Trust company, the oldest banking institution in the city, has closed contracts for the enlargement and remodeling of its present banking rooms. When the present banking quarters were built in 1888, it was considered that they were modern and up-to-date, but owing to the large growth of the institution in recent years, the present quarters are much too small to accommodate its depositors.

An addition 25 feet deep is to be built in the rear, and a complete new steel-lined vault, equipped with the latest fire and burglar-proof equipment, will take the place of the present vault, which is to be torn down in order to provide additional room for the bank's customers. The directors' rooms will be on the second floor, leaving the entire first floor, including the new addition, for banking quarters. This arrangement will provide three times the present floor space for the customers' lobby. The entire front of the bank building will be remodeled and a new entrance built.

The customers' room, or bank lobby, will be finished in Tavernelle rose marble, imported from Italy, and the balance of the interior trim and finish will be in keeping with this treatment of the lobby.

The addition in the rear will extend back to the street line made by the changing of the bed of the Stevens branch. This addition will be one story high and of heavy construction. The front entrance will be changed to the north side of the present banking quarters and the same entrance will be used for the offices in the upper floors of the building. The entrance will be surmounted by a marquise. The lobby will be on the north side of the bank, instead of on the south, as at present, and there will be seven windows for the transaction of business.

The construction work will be started within a few days and will be under the supervision of Contractor A. B. Lane. As far as possible, the work will be done locally and by local men. Henry A. Mears of the Office, Bank & Library Co. of Boston is the supervising architect.

For the present the bank will occupy its old quarters, but early in July will take temporary quarters in the store two doors removed from the bank and in the L. M. Averill building on the south side.

It may be interesting to know that the bank started in business in 1885, in the little building on North Main street, owned by the late L. C. Wheelock and now occupied by the Barre Electric Co. The directors of the bank at that time showed sound judgment and keen foresight as to the future of Barre and in 1888 erected, together with Azro D. Morse, the granite block in which they are now doing business. The bank owns its own bank building and is thus in a position to remodel and enlarge and retain permanently its present location. Several sites for a new bank were considered, but it was thought that the present location would best serve the general public. Of the original directors, only one, the bank's first president, John Trow, is now on the board. His faithful interest in the bank and his sterling integrity, have been a large factor in the upbuilding of the institution. The bank has enjoyed a steady growth and has the largest deposits of any bank in the city, its present deposits being considerably over two millions of dollars.

Officials of the bank stated to-day that they have felt for several years that its customers were entitled to, and that the bank needed larger and more commodious quarters. They are now pleased to announce that this need will soon be a reality and that they can offer the public banking facilities which will be the equal of any in this section.

### MILLION IN MASSACHUSETTS.

**Henry Clay Frick's Estate Papers Filed At Salem, Mass.**

Salem, Mass., June 8.—The estate in Essex county of the late Henry Clay Frick, millionaire steel magnate whose summer residence was at Beverly, farms, was valued at $1,049,038 in the inventory filed yesterday with Judge Dow in the probate court here. Real estate in Beverly and Wenham was valued at $723,625, and personal property at $325,434.

### CENSUS RETURNS.

**Port Huron, Mich., Went to 25,944; a 37.5 Per Cent Gain.**

Washington, D. C., June 8.—Census returns announced to-day included:

Port Huron, Mich., 25,944, increase 7,081, or 37.5 per cent.

Marietta, O., 15,100, increase 2,177, or 16.8 per cent.

Eau Claire, Wis., 20,800, increase of 2,570, or 14 per cent.

Nanticoke, Pa., 22,614, increase of 3,737, or 19.8 per cent.

### EVENING MAIL THREE CENTS.

**Advance Made To-day By a New York Newspaper.**

New York, June 8.—The price of the New York Evening Mail was advanced to three cents to-day. The Evening Mail is the third New York evening newspaper to increase its price recently from two to three cents.

### *COUNTY CONVENTION OF CONGREGATIONALISTS*

**Started in Barre Congregational Church This Morning—Some County Church Called Dead Reported Very Much Alive.**

The 85th annual meeting of the Washington county association of Congregational churches opened this morning in the Barre Congregational church with about 50 delegates and visitors in attendance. Rev. James Ramage of Barre conducted devotional exercises and Rev. Frank L. Goodspeed, pastor of the Barre church, who presides as moderator of the meeting, welcomed the delegates to Barre.

Rev. James B. Sargent of Northfield, secretary of the association, gave the first address of the morning on "What Our Churches Are Now Dowing." He emphasized the fact that many churches, including several small ones in Washington county, which have been counted as dead, are very much alive. Mr. Sargent pointed out that strong leadership is not always the greatest need in struggling churches.

A representative from each church in the county was given five minutes to tell of the needs of his church, and the last address of the morning was given by Rev. C. N. St. John of Bethany church, Montpelier, on "How Can We eGt People to Attend Church Again?" Dinner was served at noon to the delegates in the church by members of the Woman's association of the church, and supper will be served by them following the afternoon session.

Deacon J. C. Griggs of the Barre church was elected secretary of the association for the coming year. A nominating committee was appointed this morning, consisting of Rev. James Ramage, Rev. M. W. Hale of Cabot and Mr. Moseley of Northfield. The committee on resolutions includes Rev. E. E. Hayes of Waterbury, J. C. Griggs and Rev. J. B. Sargent of Northfield.

The afternoon program will be as follows: 1:30, devotional, led by Rev. James Ramage; 1:45, roll call, reports of nominating committee and committee on resolutions and other business; 2, report of national council, Rev. Frank Blomfield of Berlin; 2:25, address, "The Congregational Responsibility for the Christianizing of the County," Rev. William A. Remele of Waitsfield; 2:40, address, "The Fellowship of Our Churches," Rev. Morton W. Hale of Cabot; 3 p. m., address, "The Fellowship of Our Ministers, How Can it Be Strengthened?" Rev. George A. Furness of Marshfield; 3:30 p. m., address, "This County's Opportunity in the State Fellowship," Rev. C. C. Merrill of Burlington; 4, discussion; 4:30, sermon by Rev. Edward E. Hayes of Waterbury; 5, Lord's supper.

At 6 o'clock supper will be served, after which the evening program will be taken up, as follows: 7:15, organ recital by Miss Gladys N. Gale; 7:30, devotional exercises, led by Rev. James Ramage; 7:45, addresses, "The Long Arm of This Country in Its Reach to India," "What It Has Been," Mrs. John X. Miller; "What It Should Be," Rev. John X. Miller. Mr. Miller has been the representative in India of the Congregational churches in Washington county for 47 years. At 8:30 the closing address of the convention will be given, "This Country's Relation to the World Wide Field," Rev. Frank C. Laubach, a foreign missionary.

### *DUNCAN TO RESIGN AS CUTTERS' HEAD*

**The Quincy, Mass., Man Made the Announcement at Montreal Last Evening.**

Montreal, June 8.—James Duncan of Quincy, Mass., first vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, whom President Wilson appointed recently to the interstate commerce commission, announced last night he would not resign from the federation executive council but that he would give up his position as president of the Granite Cutters' International Association of America.

### G. C. I. A. SENDS NOTICES

**Of Signing of Agreement to the Various Branches.**

Quincy, Mass., June 8.—Notices were sent out yesterday to the branches of the granite cutters' union of this city that the wage committee had signed an agreement on Saurday with the granite manufacturers' association for a new bill of prices. It agrees to $1 an hour, with an eight-hour day, such as the present working day is constituted, making $8 a day, the price asked by the union several months ago.

The agreement, which was signed on Saturday, will have to be ratified by a vote of the branches before it becomes effective, and notices to summon them were sent out yesterday by Harry Brooks, representing the union in the absence of the president, Alexander W. Russell, who is attending the convention of the American Federation of labor in Montreal.

### KEENE CUTTERS WORKING.

**On $7.20 a Day Basis Pending Definite Settlement.**

Keene, N. H., June 8.—Granite cutters at the Victoria White Granite company returned to work yesterday, having accepted a wage scale offered by the company pending the permanent settlement being negotiated by the Granite Cutters' International Association. The 60 cutters have been out on a strike since April 1.

The wage scale offered pending the settlement is as follows: Up to July 12, $7.20 per eight-hour day; July 12 to Sept. 1, $7.60 per day; Sept. 1, 1920, to April 1, 1922, $8 per day.

### BARRE SHARPENERS RATIFY.

**Short Meeting for the Purpose Was Held Last Evening.**

It took members of the toolsharpeners' union only a very few minutes last evening to ratify the new $8 agreement, the chairman calling for a show of hands, after which a motion for adjournment came. The special meeting was by order of a telegram from James Duncan.

## BARRE'S GRAND LIST LARGER

Gain of $3,833.34 Was Reported by the Assessors

197 MORE POLLS THAN LAST YEAR

The Gain Was One of the Largest Made in Recent Years

Despite some set backs Barre's 1920 grand list shows a material gain, the amount being $69,058.05, as compared with $65,224.71 last year, a gain of $3,833.34, while the poll list, which was expected to be stationary or somewhat reduced, makes the good-sized gain of 197, to 3,104. These figures were brought out in the annual report of the assessors submitted to the city council last night and by that body accepted and ordered printed.

The comparative statements of the two years as to the chief figures are interesting. They are as follows:

| | 1920 | 1919 |
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| Grand list | $ 69,058.05 | $ 65,224.71 |
| Real estate | 4,844,648.00 | 4,769,379.00 |
| Personal es. | 1,440,357.00 | 1,171,692.00 |
| Polls | 3,104 | 2,907.00 |

For the two years preceding last year, or during the war period, Barre's grand list decreased, and in 1919 the polls dropped off 146, as contrasted with this year's gain of 197.

Other statistics submitted by the assessors last night were: Exemptions, veterans or widows under provision of the law, $2,000; veterans' polls (8), $1,600; over 70 years (37), $7,400; disabled or poor (7), $1,400.

In closing their 1920 report, Assessors Martin Riley, N. B. Ballard and V. E. Ayers stated: "We take this opportunity of expressing our appreciation of the spirit of co-operation on the part of practically all the citizens of Barre in fairly appraising their property and in that way helping to make the magnificent increase in the grand list which has made a $4 tax rate for 1920 possible."

Possible further increases in grand list figures for another year were indicated by the reports of the building inspector submitted last night. These were: Granite Savings Bank and Trust Co., to make extensive changes in its banking house, 36 North Main street; Rafaele Clerici, garage at 41 Blackwell street; Paul Beckley, bungalow house, 25 by 30 feet, one story high, off Stowe street, together with a garage at the same location; Amicibo Punte, garage at 14 Howard street; A. S. Masi, two-story wooden store building south of 36 South Main street, building to be 30 by 40 feet. The building inspector recommended that the bank permit be referred to the street committee and the Masi permit to the street and fire committees, and those recommendations were ordered carried out, and the other permits were granted.

**Gas Co. Franchise Changed.**

In accordance with an action taken at the meeting last week, a resolution changing the franchise of the Barre Gas Co. so that a maximum charge of $2.50 per thousand cubic feet for small consumers and $2.25 for large consumers was adopted, the raise being 50 cents in each case and it being the understanding that all proposals for a raise from the present maximum of $2 and $1.75, respectively, would have to go before the state public service commission.

The police report for the month of May showed a total of five arrests, as follows: Intoxication, three; attempted rape; operating automobile without owner's consent. The report was accepted.

Fred D. Beckley's statement that the city is endangering trees and a bank wall by digging away the bank on Fairview street was referred to the street committee.

Partial payment on the South Main street bridge contract was ordered, the city engineer having checked up the progress made on the work. The amount of the warrant was for $1,440 and is payable to the New Hampshire Cement Construction Co. Other bills ordered paid were: D. M. Miles Coal Co., for gasoline, $195.44; street payroll, $535.83; water payroll, $137.61; fire payroll, $191.40; police payroll, $85.85; assessors, $92; city hall janitor, $20; Miss Gridley, $26.

### SPAULDING PRIZE SPEAKING.

**To-night Will Open the Annual Commencement Exercises.**

The public events of Spaulding high school's commencement will be started with the prize speaking contest in the Barre opera house to-night. A large attendance is assured. The alumni banquet will be held Wednesday evening, class day Thursday afternoon, the alumni ball Thursday evening and the graduation exercises Friday evening.

### RUTLAND MAN LOSES LICENSE.

**Franklin Johnson's Right is Suspended for a Month.**

Harry A. Black, secretary of state, has suspended for a period of 30 days the operator's license of Franklin Johnson of Rutland for failure to report an accident and for having had one. He has received the report of the conviction of Clayton Prentice of Winooski, who was fined $25 for operating a car carelessly and without a license, and the conviction of L. H. Pierce of Chelsea, Mass., in Barre city court for careless driving, the fine of $5 having been imposed.

### FIFTEEN AUTOS RUINED.

**In Fire Which Burned Out One Floor of a St. Albans Garage.**

St. Albans, June 8.—Fifteen automobiles and motor trucks were ruined in a fire which burned out one floor of the Foundry garage here late yesterday. The loss is estimated at more than $80,000.

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