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PRICE ONE CENT

Irrigation Is a Great Thing to Grow Crops. Trying to Drown Sorrow By Irrigating It Always Has the Same Effect

NEW YORK SENATE ADOPTS DIRECT NOMINATIONS

Ferris-Blauvelt Bill Will Become a Law

GOV. DIX IS PLEASED

Passage of Measure in Upper House Was Accomplished on Close Party Lines

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 4.—The Ferris-Blauvelt direct nomination bill which passed the Assembly Sunday morning was adopted in the Senate tonight with certain important amendments by a vote of 27 to 19. All the republicans voted in the negative and were joined by Senators Loomis of Buffalo, and Saxe, of New York, democrats. Senator Duhamel, independence leaguer, voted with the democrats.

The passage of the bill was the culmination of a series of conferences which occupied the senators of both parties almost the entire day. The bill now goes to the Assembly for concurrence in the amendments and the program is to dispose of it tomorrow and adjourn sine die. With few members present the Assembly marked time all day awaiting action by the other House. Urgent messages have been sent to all missing members who are favorable to direct nominations to be on hand at 11 o'clock tomorrow.

When Gov. Dix heard of the Senate's action he said:—

"I am very much gratified that direct primaries by means of a wholesome primary law so ardently desired by the people and by the voting population of the state now seems probable. I hope the action of the Senate will be followed by an equally encouraging vote in the Assembly. I cannot conceive why a measure of this character should not pass unanimously in both houses as both parties in their platforms emphatically declared in favor of direct nominations."

Chairman A. J. Levy of the Assembly Judiciary committee, who figured prominently in drafting the bill, said:

"This bill as we have amended it is absolutely statewide and in entire keeping with our party pledges. It applies to every office, including every form of party committee except candidates for governor and other state officers. In the rural parts of the state it enables citizens to become enrolled in December, 1911, either by personal application or by mail and the names of enrolled voters are required to be published in the month of January succeeding.

"The city and county committees will be chosen by the unit of representation known as the election district with provision for a sub-committee of designation in New York city to be made up of not less than three members of the county committee from each assembly district. The Judiciary, congressional and senatorial party committees will each be made up of three representatives from each assembly district, and each representative will be entitled to a one-third vote for every 1000 voters or major fraction thereof polled for the gubernatorial candidate of the particular party in the last preceding election, unless such district is wholly within a given county. In the latter event the committeemen may cast one vote.

"The state committee will be elected directly at the primaries on such unit of representation as may be fixed by the respective parties. Should a candidate for this committee fail to receive a majority the delegates to the state convention are empowered to make the necessary selection.

"Primary districts in cities and villages of over 50000 will consist of two adjoining election districts and in smaller places of a single district.

"There will be an official ballot with party emblems, no name to appear but once. Party funds may be spent only for meetings, printing, postage and kindred legitimate expenses.

"Two primaries will be held uniformly throughout the state, one in the spring, the other in the fall. Existing committees are permitted to designate party committees for the first primary which will be held next spring.

"An independent nomination requires a petition with signatures of not less than 4 per cent of the total vote and this must include at least 5 per cent of the vote of the party to which the nomination is accredited. "One week's time is given to get up this petition.

"The bill has been framed to meet every requirement of the Levy election law. It will not apply to the approaching election as it will not go into effect until November 15."

WEATHER FORECAST

Probabilities for This Section for the Next 24 Hours.

For eastern New York and Western Vermont fair, cooler tonight with frost. Friday fair.

CITY OF TRIPOLI BOMBARDED BY ITALIAN FLEET

Fire of Warship Returned With Vigor by the Turks

NOT READY TO SURRENDER

Shelling was Interrupted to Give Garrison Opportunity But There Was no Response

Tripoli has been bombarded twice by the Italian fleet. The first shot was fired soon after 3 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Shelling was resumed early yesterday morning, after a quiet night. There was a steady but slow fire from the warships until dusk Tuesday evening, and shots also came from the forts in the town. The battleship Benedetto Brin and the armored cruisers Giuseppe Garibaldi and Francesco Ferruccio drew up in line opposite the harbor.

There was no sign of life in the city, which appeared to be deserted, but the Turkish flag flew from the castle and forts. The first shots were directed toward Charchatti fort, and later Kerkereche fort was shelled. No sooner did the first shells burst over Tripoli than the garrison seemed to awake. It returned the fire with vigor. A heavy cannonade was kept upon both sides for a few minutes, and then firing became desultory. So far as could be seen no warship was hit.

At 4 o'clock Vice-Admiral Faravelli ordered his ships to cease firing to permit the town to surrender, but no sign of surrender was given, and after the lapse of a few minutes the ships began again. This time great havoc was wrought. Fortifications were razed to the ground, the forts suffered severely, and the lighthouse to the northwest was destroyed by shells from the Garibaldi. There was no means of knowing what the loss of life was in Tripoli, but ample opportunity was given to the defendants to escape.

Early yesterday morning, the first division of the Italian fleet under Admiral Faravelli, resumed the bombardment. The Turkish garrison still occupied a position behind the forts, and responded with a few shells, which fell short. The Italian commander endeavored to avoid damaging private dwellings in the city, but some of them were destroyed, and the governor's palace and three forts at the entrance of the port are in ruins. The consulates and churches have not been damaged.

The second division of the fleet, under Vice-Admiral Thaon di Revel, has approached close to Benghazi and Derna. A bombardment of these ports, it is understood, has been ordered to begin today. It is denied that any bluejackets will be landed in the immediate future. Such a landing may possibly be decided upon after the arrival of the expeditionary corps. Before commencing the bombardment of Tripoli the Italian squadron removed all mines and made a careful revision of the hydrographic chart to insure safety to the coming transports. This operation lasted several days, and probably explains the real reason for the delay in bombardment.

It is reported from Rome that negotiations for the surrender of Tripoli will be entered into today. It is also uncertain whether any Italians landed, but the first contingent of the expeditionary force has left Italy, and, according to reports from Malta, the occupation of Tripoli will begin today or tomorrow with the landing of contingents from the warships. The postoffice and the Italian consulate at Malta are accepting mails for Tripoli, and the consul has promised the newspaper correspondents that they will be allowed to land in Tripoli tomorrow. While Italy is thus carrying out the program of establishing herself in Tripoli, the Turkish government is in a helpless tangle. The ministry is virtually nonexistent, dissension between the Young Turks and the men of the older regime rendering the adoption of any definite line of policy impossible. For the moment all talk of mediation of peace negotiations has been relegated to the back-ground. The situation on the Albanian coast is very obscure. There are many unconfirmed rumors of naval fights and bombardments.

DR. WEBSTER IS INDICTED

Charge is Murder—Given Until Next Monday to Plead.

Oregon, Ill., Oct. 4.—Dr. Harry E. Webster, confessed slayer of his third wife, Bessie Kent Webster, was indicted by a grand jury for murder late today. He was arraigned immediately afterward and given until 1:30 o'clock Monday afternoon to plead.

If the usual motion to quash is denied, the prisoner will plead not guilty. The court will then set a date for trial after which the attorneys for the defense will ask for a change of venue to Lake county.

NO NEW TRIAL FOR MRS. AVERILL OF ST. ALBANS

Must Serve 12 Years at Windsor for Manslaughter

SUPREME COURT DECISION

Higher Tribunal Found No Error in Proceedings of Lower Court Which Tried Her

Montpelier, Oct. 5.—The supreme court of the state yesterday handed down 14 decisions, which with the 13 given Tuesday, makes a total of 27 for the present term thus far. Yesterday's decisions were for the most part of an unimportant nature.

The Franklin county petition of Josephine Averill, convicted in the county court of manslaughter for causing the death of her husband by shooting him with a shot gun at St. Albans last fall, and who is now in the state prison at Windsor serving a sentence of not more than 12 nor less than 10 years for voluntary manslaughter, was dismissed. No error was found in the proceedings of the county court and the respondent takes nothing on her exceptions. The court declared that the plea of surprise by the woman's lawyers is groundless.

The opinion was read by Judge John H. Watson who rehearsed the Franklin county case under which Mrs. Averill was convicted of manslaughter in the death of her husband and was sentenced to not more than 12 years at hard labor.

Petition for new trial was filed in April and heard at the May term. The question considered was whether a person indicted for murder can be convicted of involuntary manslaughter when the conditions justify it and Judge Watson rehearsed the various degrees under which a person can be sentenced in this state and especially the differences between murder, voluntary and involuntary manslaughter.

The petition is based on the respondent's surprise that the court gave any charge on involuntary manslaughter and her lack of opportunity to meet that charge. Judge Watson said that she should have been ready for the including of such a charge and there was no ground for surprise since this view of the case rested almost entirely on the testimony of the respondent. Consequently, she was at fault and her argument has no force.

In case of Frances J. Bishop vs. Readsboro Chair Manufacturing Company of Bennington county Judge Watson, reading, judgment was affirmed. The lower court's verdict was made for the plaintiff on two counts for \$95.66 on one and \$100 on the other for damages done her house by flying timber from piles stacked in the yard of the company and which were blown by a high wind through the windows and against the clapboards of the house. The evidence showed that the company was aware of the danger and had been asked to wire down the piles. The ruling of the trial court was without error.

REV. S. H. WATKINS RESIGNS

St. Albans Rector is to Take Up Work in New York City.

St. Albans, Oct. 4.—Rev. S. H. Watkins has tendered his resignation as rector of St. Luke's Episcopal church of this city. The resignation will take effect about the middle of November, when Rev. Mr. Watkins goes to New York city to take up work in the city missions. His special work will be as head of the department looking after the immigrants. He has been pastor of St. Luke's for the past seven years. During his incumbency he has played a prominent part in the public life of the city, having been chairman of the board of school commissioners for a number of years.

DIES FROM LAVA BURNS

Rev. J. E. Hall a Victim of a Volcanic Eruption in Japan

Washington, Penn., Oct. 4.—Details have just reached here of the death of the Rev. J. E. Hall, a well known local minister, who was killed on August 16, in a volcanic eruption at Asama Yama, Japan. Mr. Hall was one of a party of Americans who ascended the mountain to see the crater. As they were standing at the edge of the lava pit an explosion occurred. Mr. Hall was fearfully injured about the legs and died on the mountain-side.

750 FALL WITH GRAND STAND

Twenty Persons Hurt at Illinois State Fair Grounds

Springfield, Ill., Oct. 4.—Two sections of the bleachers at the racetrack at the state fair grounds collapsed this afternoon. About 750 people were precipitated to the ground, twenty being injured. Thomas Wing of Decatur may be fatally hurt. The injuries of the others were not serious.

STRIKEBREAKERS FORCED OUT OF M'COMB, MISS.

Non-Union Men Leave City in Guarded Train

THREATS OF DYNAMITE

Governor Experiences Difficulty in Securing Activity by Militia Against Strikers

McComb City, Miss., Oct. 4.—The Illinois Central strikebreakers left McComb this afternoon by order of the citizens. The train pulled out with sixty National Guardsmen aboard, who were ordered to shoot to kill at the slightest intimation of trouble. The train was preceded by a body of strikers and others, numbering perhaps 200, who took up a position in the woods where the train was to pass. No attack was made, however. The destination of the party of strikers was unknown up to a late hour tonight.

The situation tonight is still serious. The railroad officials admit that more than 1000 men are out here and that the strikers have served notice upon the Illinois Central railroad that foreign labor will not be allowed to take their places.

Ten National Guard companies have been sent here. Machine guns will arrive tonight or tomorrow. Alarming messages were flashed to the governor in such quick succession this afternoon that the troops must make a showing or there would be court martials. This caused the most rigorous military discipline to be enforced. Squads have been sent to arrest men who failed to report for duty at the first call and the orders are to bring them to McComb.

An attempt was made early this morning to blow up the shops, but resulted only in the destruction of a small section of the switching track. It was feared there would be a repetition of this attempt tonight and sentries have been doubled at all points.

The National Guard officers have warned the railroad officials not to send non-union men here, asserting that they cannot be responsible for the consequences.

NAME RHODE ISLAND TICKET

Waterman for Governor—Democrats Condemn Taft's Vetoes

Providence, R. I., Oct. 4.—Despite some expressions of dissatisfaction prior to the Democratic State convention here today by delegates who did not like the idea of having the State Central Committee draw up a ticket of state officers, this ticket was accepted by the convention. The nominee for governor, Lewis A. Waterman of Providence, also led the party last year. The other nominees are:

Lieutenant governor—Alberic A. Archambault of Warwick.
Secretary of State—Sayles B. Steere of Gloucester.
Attorney General—James A. Cahill of East Providence.
General treasurer—Albert M. Steinert of Providence.

The platform adopted by the convention condemns President Taft for vetoing "bills intended to correct the injustices of the present tariff law," describing the president's statement that he desired to await the report of the Tariff Board experts as "a flimsy excuse;" reasonable regulation of corporate business is demanded. The platform proposes a revision of the constitution of the state and favors the initiative and referendum, a corrupt practice act, election of United States Senators by direct vote and an income tax.

STOCK QUOTATIONS

The following noon quotations were received by the Bennington Security company from J. R. Williston & Co. of New York by special wire:

| | Yesterday | Today |
|---------------|-----------|---------|
| Atch | 102 1/2 | 103 1/2 |
| Amal Cop | 49 1/2 | 43 |
| Am C and Fdy | 45 1/2 | 45 1/2 |
| B R T | 73 1/2 | 74 |
| B and O | 95 1/2 | 95 1/2 |
| Ches and Ohio | 71 1/2 | 70 1/2 |
| D and H | 161 1/2 | 161 |
| Erie Com | 30 1/2 | 30 1/2 |
| Gt Nor | 123 1/2 | 123 |
| M K T | 28 1/2 | 28 |
| Nor Pac | 114 1/2 | 114 1/2 |
| Nor and Wes | 101 1/2 | 101 1/2 |
| Ont and Wes | 38 1/2 | 38 1/2 |
| Rdg | 138 1/2 | 138 1/2 |
| C M and St P | 106 1/2 | 106 1/2 |
| N Y Cen | 104 1/2 | 104 1/2 |
| Penna | 120 1/2 | 120 1/2 |
| So Pac | 106 1/2 | 106 1/2 |
| So Ry | 26 1/2 | 26 1/2 |
| U P | 159 1/2 | 159 1/2 |
| U S Steel | 59 1/2 | 59 1/2 |
| U S S Pfd | 108 1/2 | 108 1/2 |
| Int Pump | 27 1/2 | 27 1/2 |
| Wab Pfd | 23 1/2 | 23 1/2 |
| Am T and T | 133 1/2 | 133 1/2 |
| Int Met Pfd | 45 1/2 | 45 |

GIANTS CLINCHED CLAIM TO 1911 PENNANT

National League Season Was Settled Yesterday

CUBS HAVE NO CHANCE

McGraw's Men Could Lose All Remaining Games and Still Win the Flag

The National league pennant winners for the season of 1911—the New York team.

To all intents and purposes, the National league championship season ended yesterday with the foregoing result. All that remains now is the playing out of the schedule, which calls for games up to October 12. With one or two possible exceptions, the positions of the clubs will be the same at the close of the season as now. The Giants won their 95th game yesterday and could drop all their nine remaining games while the Cubs were winning all their remaining five and still win the pennant.

To make sure of victory yesterday over Brooklyn Manager McGraw sent in Mathewson, his star twirler and the hero of the world's series of 1905, when New York defeated the Athletics largely through "Matty's" great work. As a result the Brooklyners were blanked while the Giants scored twice.

New York's previous championships were won in 1888 and 1898 under James Mutrie and 1904 and 1905 under John M. McGraw, the present manager of the team.

The standing today is:—

| To Play | W. | L. | PC |
|--------------|----|----|-----|
| New York | 9 | 95 | 50 |
| Chicago | 5 | 89 | 60 |
| Pittsburgh | 3 | 84 | 67 |
| Philadelphia | 6 | 79 | 69 |
| St Louis | 9 | 73 | 50 |
| Cincinnati | 5 | 68 | 81 |
| Brooklyn | 11 | 60 | 83 |
| Boston | 8 | 40 | 106 |

National League Results.

At Brooklyn—New York, 2; Brooklyn, 0.

At Philadelphia—(First game) Boston, 7; Philadelphia, 3. (Second game) Boston, 7; Philadelphia, 1.

At St. Louis—Chicago, 9; St. Louis, 1.

Games for Today.

New York at Brooklyn.

American League Results.

At Washington—Washington, 4; Philadelphia, 2.

At Cleveland—(First game) Detroit, 2; Cleveland, 0. (Second game) Cleveland, 8; Detroit, 6.

At New York—Boston, 6; New York, 4.

At Chicago—(First game) Chicago, 14; St. Louis, 6. (Second game) St. Louis, 2; Chicago, 1; called end of 8th, darkness.

American League Standing.

| To Play | W. | L. | PC |
|--------------|----|----|-----|
| Philadelphia | 5 | 93 | 60 |
| Detroit | 4 | 88 | 62 |
| Cleveland | 4 | 80 | 72 |
| New York | 4 | 76 | 74 |
| Chicago | 6 | 75 | 74 |
| Boston | 4 | 75 | 50 |
| Washington | 3 | 64 | 87 |
| St. Louis | 6 | 42 | 106 |

Games for Today.

New York at Philadelphia.

Washington at Boston.

WELL ATTENDED CONCERT

Entertainment by Bennington Citizens Band Generously Patronized

There was an attendance of nearly 400 people at the concert and dance given by the Bennington Citizens' band at Foresters' hall Wednesday evening and as a result of its efforts the organization will clear between \$75 and \$100.

The concert program was given by a mandolin, banjo and guitar trio and it can be safely said that no entertainment of a similar nature and half so good has been given here in years. While the three musicians demonstrated their ability to execute correctly the works of the great composers, most of the selections were familiar airs with variations, a feature that made the evening more generally enjoyable. That the efforts of the artists was thoroughly appreciated was evidenced by the generous scores. Following the program there was dancing to music furnished by Goldsmith's orchestra.

BOSK IS IMPROVING

Bennington Ball Player Will Recover From Injury.

The condition of "Johnnie" Bosk the former Bennington pitcher, who was badly hurt as a result of being hit on the head with a pitched ball in a game at Fitchburg, is somewhat improved and it is now expected that he will recover unless there are new developments for the worse. Bosk was given a benefit at Fitchburg Saturday and the sum of \$450 was cleared for him. Clinton defeated Fitchburg 11 to 1.

BANK CLERKS WHO TOLD ON MORSE BLACKLISTED

District Attorney Wise Says Not One Can Get a Job

ADVISES PROTECTIVE UNION

To Back Up Employees Who Decline to Break Laws at Corporations' Orders

New York, Oct. 5.—United States District Attorney Henry A. Wise, speaking last evening before an audience made up almost entirely of bank employees taking one of the courses at the American Institute of Banking, caused some sensation by saying that not one of the employees who went on the stand to tell what they knew in the Charles W. Morse case had since been able to find employment in any of the banks of this city. He followed this by suggesting that a league be formed whose members, in union fashion, would strike whenever a fellow-employee lost his place for refusing to share by however little, in the commission of any act in contravention of the banking laws.

EARLY MORNING FIRE

Double Tenement in Southwestern Section of Village Destroyed.

The two tenement dwelling house at Dewey avenue and Weeks street, which was owned by C. E. and R. Dewey, was totally destroyed early this morning by one of the most spectacular fires seen in this vicinity for some time. The fire, the origin of which is unknown, broke out shortly before 2 o'clock and within one hour only the foundations remained standing, all the houses in that vicinity having in the meantime been seriously endangered by the flying embers. The loss is partly covered by insurance.

Box 27, at the corner of Elm and Washington streets, a distance of over a quarter of a mile from the scene of the fire was sounded shortly before 2 o'clock. Nearly all the fire companies responded and when the Bradford Hook and Ladder company arrived on the scene, it being the first to make the run, the house was a roaring mass of flames. A brisk wind was blowing, which fanned the flames into a veritable furnace.

The other companies were not long in arriving and within a comparatively short time had water on the building. The nearest hydrant is located at Washington avenue and Weeks street, about 1000 feet from the house, and as no one company carries enough hose to cover this distance, the companies were forced to double up.

It was evident that the house could not be saved and the firemen directed their energies to saving the adjoining property. The wind carried the sparks for a considerable distance.

Elijah Dewey, one of the owners, said this morning that he did not know of the fire until this morning, which he discovered when he went up to direct a few minor changes about the house, which was recently vacated by Geo. Gilbert, who has removed to Troy. Mr. Dewey came in to the village this morning and engaged two men to clean up about the place and started back with them. When he neared the site of the house all he found was the foundation and the charred remains of the structure.

POSITION AS STAGE MANAGER

Edward Donnelly Will Be With Mrs. Fiske for Present Season

Edward Donnelly, a former well known resident of Bennington, has severed his connections with the Coburn players and has just signed a contract whereby he becomes stage manager for Mrs. Fiske. Mr. Donnelly will begin his new duties at once and will spend 12 weeks in New York City and eight weeks in Chicago. This position is regarded as especially desirable in theatrical circles and the news will no doubt prove welcome to his friends here.

While with the Coburn players this summer, Mr. Donnelly won much favorable comment for his work in character parts.

HEALTH BOARD COMPLIMENTED

Chairman of State Board Was Here This Week.

Harrie C. White, who has been ill in the town hospital for contagious diseases for the past six weeks, has been released from quarantine this week and returned to his home at North Bennington. He has been perfectly well for some time but remained at the hospital so that there could be no possibility of infection.

Dr. C. S. Caverly of Rutland, chairman of the state board of health was here Tuesday and complimented the town board of health and Health Officer Stillson on their good work in confining the outbreak to a single case.