POPULISTS ARE NOT HAPPY

Their State Machine is Badly in Need of Lubricating Oil.

PARTY MANAGERS STILL IN A TURMOIL

Edmisten's Efforts to Straighten Out the Muddle Only Seem to Engender More Friction and Discord.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, June 23.—(Special.)—While the republican state committee has been called to meet this week to decide on the question of a state convention, the fusion committees seem to be in a condition of masterly inactivity. The only sign of life so far evinced is in the populist arena of the three-ring circus, for which Chairman Edmisten has been sending out letters asking members of the committee whether they think they should be called together and whether they favor an early or a late convention.

The ways and means committee has been up against it pretty hard for some time in its efforts to gather money to extinguish the populist debt, the worst thing it has to contend with being the well-circulated story that there would be no debt if the campaign funds used to pay Chairman Edmisten's salary had been applied to other expenses. To counteract this Edmisten is out with an open letter explaining that although he initiated the renowned Pooh Bah in acting for four different committees under four different names, the salary he absorbed was paid in the name of only one of them.

Gist of Edmisten's Letter.

The essential part of his letter is:

It seems very difficult for those who seek to criticise me to understand that for acting as chairman for four campaigns I received a salary for but one campaign only; and I have devoted to the support of the committee as liberally as any man in the state. I have no apologies to make for my actions, and those who have put in their time fighting me while I was conducting the battles of the campaign in the interest of the party can keep up this course if they prefer. I shall continue to stand where I have stood during the trying times of the past, when the party was victorious; and no true-blue populist can find time or reasons to spend his energies in trying to create discord and dissensions within the party. This has been my method and practice and I shall make an effort to increase my efforts in this direction and bring together all factions and have them work unanimously for one purpose. This has brought us victory in the past and it will do it again, for it is clearly evident that republicanism is obnoxious to the voters of the state, and with proper means employed and a united effort by those who are opposed to the corporation party we can this year achieve another one of our old time victories.

Co-operation for the success of reform should be our motto. And then come together with a determination to name for office only men who command the respect of all. This will win. We should retire those who have proved by their records that they place first and above all else the interests of corporations, and who, when in power, send only corporationists to the national congress, and place such men in control of state affairs. It is time for the fusionists to awaken and see the contrast between the records made by the officials elected by them and those being made by the present state officers. From many sources come words of commendation of the fusion officials when comparing their actions with the actions of those now in power.

We should arrange for one of the largest state conventions ever held by our party, so our actions will be fully indorsed by the people. Ours is the people's party and they should guide its actions at all times.

It is my desire that we may transact the business of the committee thoroughly and satisfactory to all. I, therefore, would ask each state committeeman of the people's independent party to write me if he prefers to call the committee to meet; or, if he is in favor of setting the time and place of holding the state convention, by referendum vote. This can be done by a majority of those voting for a certain time and place and would be the expression of a majority of the committee. It is desired that this matter may be acted upon promptly by each committeeman. Direct all communications in regard to the same to me at Thedford, Neb. Yours for victory in the coming campaign,

J. H. EDMISTEN, Chairman.

Interesting War of Words.

In the meanwhile the chief organ of the Nebraska populists, the Independent, is engaged in an amusing tilt with the Hamilton County Register, edited by George L. Burr, who is on the payroll as Congressman Stark's private secretary. Editor Burr got back at the Independent's blacklist of deadhead aspirants for office and honors in this fashion:

Some of the newspaper boys seemed to think that the Register's protest against blacklisting Judge Stubbs or anybody else because he gave where he thought best, was argument against paying the debts of the Edmisten committee. It was not so intended. We were criticising the collection of "voluntary contributions" by threat. So far as the leading populists of Hamilton county are concerned, we can say that all gave liberally—fully as much as they were able—and the result showed that their efforts were well directed. They did not put a great deal of money in the hands of the state committee, because they did not approve of its method of expending it, and had no cash to throw away. We will be glad to see the Edmisten debt paid, but hope the fellows who have been pushing him on the party as state chairman will put up the big end of it, and that a man whom we can all feel proud of will be chosen next time. Never under Edmisten was Hamilton county able to get a speaker when it really needed one, and we are tired of having Jim Crow ranters unloaded on us when we do not ask for them, and when they cost us a lot of money for hall rent and hotel expenses, to say nothing of the votes we lose on account of their ignorant and unguarded statements.

Independent's Retort Courteous.

To this the Independent replies in the following characteristic vein:

Is it possible that the dignified and agreeable and gentlemanly Burr has become converted to the "fishwife school of journalism?" "Jim Crow ranters," forsooto! This will delight the speakers who have held meetings in Hamilton county at any time when Edmisten was chairman. And now they will mourn over the votes lost "on account of their ignorant and unguarded statements."

If Mr. Burr will make an honest confession he must admit that Hamilton county was wrested from republican control by school house campaigns and by these selfsame "Jim Crow ranters." He must further admit that since the populists of Hamilton have become addicted to the Burr habit of wanting "a speaker of national reputation—or none," that it has required a great deal of Burresque wirepulling to keep the republicans from recapturing it.

When it comes to making "still hunts," the republicans have better strategists and more money to conduct such a campaign. And they can give bigger "blow-outs" and import "bigger guns" than we can. But it doesn't require a "spellbinder" to make a convincing speech on plain principles, plainly enunciated and set forth with vigor and without fear of offending the "other fellow," yet without uncalled for abuse. There are several other counties in the same boat with Hamilton—and some of them have gone back to republicanism. They tried to beat the "shellman" at his own game.

There are plenty of populists and democrats in Nebraska who can make convincing speeches—even Mr. Burr himself has spoken in various counties of the state. Perish the thought that the fusionists of these places regarded him as a "Jim Crow ranter."

As far as "blacklisting" is concerned, the Independent has the utmost contempt for those men whom the populists have elected to lucrative offices and have refused to pay their share of the campaign expenses, while there are farmers who never held office and never expect to hold office who have from year to year expended from $10 to $50 in attending conventions and paying other necessary expenses. When every private secretary can get up and defy the state committee, regularly elected and employed by the party, run a campaign to suit themselves in their own county and openly defy the authority of the party, one of two things will have to be done. Either we will not try to run a state campaign, or we will try to get a new set of private secretaries, who will not come home, denounce the state committee, the state organ of the party and declare that the populist speakers are a set of "Jim Crow ranters." Certainly one of these two things must be done. The Independent leaves it to the old workers in the state to decide which they will do.

Custer County Fusionists Astir.

Tremendous efforts are being made by fusionists in Custer county to harmonize all anti-republican elements for united action in the forthcoming campaign. In that county the middle-of-the-road populist movement gained considerable strength last year and, although the vote polled was not disastrous to the other tickets, it was nevertheless large enough to excite fear in the fusion ranks. Senator Currie of Sargent commented on this fact while in the city for a brief visit this morning. He stopped here enroute to his home from Omaha.

"Fusion leaders in Custer county have held frequent conferences during the last two or three weeks," said he, "for the purpose of devising some plan of destroying the middle-of-the-road movement. It will be remembered that the mid-roaders were pretty strong in Custer county last year. The vote was not especially large, but it attracted some attention just the same. It is doubtful whether the conferences will have the desired result. The mid-roaders do not seem enthusiastic about rejoining the fusion forces. There has been some talk lately of socialism among the mid-roaders, but the prosperity of the county will prevent that movement from gaining any headway. The mid-road element forms a pretty serious problem to the fusionists and so far as the general public has been able to observe they have not been able to arrive at any solution."

Had Heard of Currie.

Senator Currie tells a story on himself which may be repeated without violating his confidence.

"A few weeks ago I was riding on a train headed for the northwestern part of the state and having nothing else to do I started a conversation with a stranger, who told me he was going from Hastings to Loup county to engage in the cattle business," said the senator. "I was naturally a little inquisitive and after I had satisfied myself he began questioning me. I told him something about the county and gave him a few pointers which I thought might aid him in his business and pretty soon he asked for my name.

"'My name is Currie,' said I, and as he did not seem to recognize me by the name I told him that I was a member of the last legislature. I might as well have told him my name was Smith or Jones.

"'You undoubtedly heard of me during the session if you were in the state at the time,' I finally said, growing desperate. 'I was a candidate for United States senator.'

"'Oh, yes, perhaps I did hear the name,' he said, and then he asked, 'Were you elected?'"

Honored by Lancaster County.

Governor Savage, Chancellor Andrews of the University of Nebraska and Mayor Winnett have been elected honorary members of the Lancaster County Humane society, an organization formed for the purpose of "securing kind treatment for creatures that are unable to go to law for themselves."

Governor is Grand Sachem.

A newly organized local lodge of Red Men has elected Governor Savage for their grand sachem. Over 150 palefaces were adopted by the tribe over which the state's chief executive will preside.

Gushers at State Capitol.

The new artesian well on the state capitol grounds will be tested by the State Board of Public Lands and Buildings sometime this week. The flow of water is larger than expected and by experts is pronounced to be of excellent quality.

Modern Woodmen Memorial.

Modern Woodmen of local lodges joined today in observing their annual memorial day. Services were conducted in the Auditorium by Rev. N. A. Martin. Later the Woodmen marched to the cemetery and decorated the graves of departed members of their order.

West Point Confirmation.

WEST POINT, Neb., June 23.—(Special.)—A class of twenty-nine received the holy eucharist for the first time this morning in St. Mary's church. Solemn high mass was celebrated by Rev. William Windolph. The celebration of the papal jubilee is now in progress, the processions being attended by hundreds of people.

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BATS SMITE THE LEATHER

Historic Hitting Game Results in Easy Victory for Omaha.

VISITORS' ONE SCORE IS A HOME RUN

Contest is Marred by Disagreement Between Managers as to the Disposition of Tim Donahue, Ex-Chicago Catcher.

With four hits in the seventh inning, when the score stood a tie, the Omaha team took a lead of five runs over its opponents from Colorado Springs yesterday and the visitors were not allowed another score from then on, although the locals took another in the eighth, making the final score 7 to 1.

That quintet of runs came as a result of a well-timed streak of batting. Two of the hits were for two bases, one for three and the last for four. Till that time the Omahans had been able to get only four hits during the entire previous six innings.

Five thousand people saw Pitcher Payne make the hit that rendered possible this grist of tallies and probably won the game. Calhoun had opened the inning with a two-bagger, but Reid and Toman followed with outs. There was little hope then, but Gonding took his base on balls and Payne was to bat. He did just exactly what was wanted, sticking to deep right for two bases and scoring both runners.

That gave Omaha a lead of two and the perspiring crowd was happy. But it was not to stop there. Genins, who had already made two hits, followed with a three-bagger to left, scoring Payne. Almost anything was expected then, and it came. Captain Stewart pushed the ball clear over the left field fence and he and Genins walked home. That was all in that inning, but in the next Toman, who has been rather weak at the stick lately, put in his oar for another three-bagger and scored on Hemphill's error in misjudging a fly ball from Gonding's bat.

Home Run Counts One.

The one run of the visitors, meanwhile, was also a home run and it was altogether the greatest hitting day that has been seen here for weeks back. Shafer, the clever third baseman, did this and won the four bases strictly on merit, for he runs like a flash and it was his speed that got him there in time.

Payne, who twirled for Omaha, more than satisfied his admirers. He struck out four, gave one base and allowed but seven hits, thoroughly scattered. Gaston, for the visitors, also did wonderful work till the fatal seventh. His record was three bases on balls, one strikeout and nine hits.

Tim Donahue, the famous ex-Chicago catcher, was not in the game with the Colorado people and thereby hangs a tale. Tim left Chicago to take a half interest in the team with Billy Hulen. But Father Rourke was quickest with his claim list and long before Hulen or anyone else had thought of claiming Tim, President Hickey received formal notification from Rourke that he had done so.

Now Rourke says that he later sold his claim to Hulen for $100, thus letting Tim go west, but the money was never paid. Rourke's letters and demands for satisfaction were unnoticed, he says, so he wrote Hickey. The latter finally wired yesterday that Donahue should play no more till that score was settled. With 5,000 people waiting for the game, Rourke put the proposition to Hulen yesterday just before time for the game to commence. The latter flatly refused to pay any money, saying that he had never agreed so to do. Then Bill said that Tim couldn't play otherwise.

Hulen Offers a Bluff.

Hulen said that Tim would play or the team wouldn't, and dared Bill to send the great crowd home. Rourke answered that he would do just that, and said the catcher would never go in the game till his claim was paid. The visitors put their bats in the sack and donned their jumpers. Meanwhile the crowd had gained an inkling of what was going on and a storm of protests went up, everyone demanding a game in spite of any little trivial technicalities or financial differences. Rourke remained obdurate and the Mountaineers started for the gate. Hisses and angry remonstrances came in a storm from the seats. Then Umpire McDermott got busy, and the end of it was that he persuaded Hulen to stay with his team, leaving Donahue out. So Law was moved from first to catch and Ream put on the initial bag. Both did flawless work all through.

No one felt worse about the trouble than Tim himself. He maintained all along that Rourke was unjust, but offered the Omaha manager $50 from his own pocket to let him play. He said he didn't want to pay Hulen's share of it, but would pay his own as half owner of the team. It was 4:05 when the game finally commenced, and bitter feeling between Rourke and the visitors was displayed all through. Donahue says that no game will be played today. Score:

OMAHA.

	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Genins, lf	4	1	3	3	0	0
Stewart, 2b	2	2	1	3	2	0
McAndrews, 3b	2	0	0	2	4	0
Letcher, rf	4	0	1	0	0	0
Calhoun, 1b	4	1	2	10	0	0
Reid, cf	4	0	0	3	0	0
Toman, ss	4	1	1	1	3	2
Gonding, c	3	1	0	5	0	1
Payne, p	3	1	1	0	3	0
Totals	30	7	9	27	12	3

COLORADO SPRINGS.

	AB.	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Hemphill, cf	5	0	1	1	0	1
Shea, ss	3	0	0	2	0	0
Law, c	4	0	0	2	1	0
Holland, rf	4	0	1	1	0	0
Shafer, 3b	4	1	2	2	7	1
Hulen, 2b	4	0	1	1	1	0
Ream, 1b	4	0	0	13	1	0
Hernon, lf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Gaston, p	4	0	2	1	7	0
Totals	36	1	7	24	17	2

Omaha	0	0	0	1	0	0	5	1	*—	7
Colorado Springs	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0—	1

Earned runs: Omaha, 5; Colorado Springs, 1. Home runs: Stewart, Shafer. Three-base hits: Genins, Toman. Two-base hits: Calhoun (2), Payne, Hemphill, Shafer. Sacrifice hits: Stewart, McAndrews. First base on balls: Off Payne, 1; off Gaston, 3. Struck out: By Payne, 4; by Gaston, 1. Time: 1:30. Umpire: McDermott.

Minneapolis, 2; St. Joseph, 0.

MINNEAPOLIS, June 23.—Parvin pitched sensational ball and just two St. Joseph players hit safe during the eight turns at bat. The game was called at the end of the seventh on account of darkness. Just before the finish McFadden was struck by a line drive that put him out. Attendance, 1,100. Score:

								R.	H.	E.
Minneapolis	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	9	0
St. Joseph	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1

Batteries: Minneapolis, Parvin and Donahue; St. Joseph, McFadden and Docin.

Denver, 6; Des Moines, 3.

DES MOINES, June 23.—Doubtful decisions by Umpire Messmer and a home run hit by Hickey in the eighth gave Denver the game today. Attendance, 2,500. Score:

								R.	H.	E.
Denver	0	3	0	0	0	0	3	0	6	2
Des Moines	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	3	6

Batteries: Denver, Meredith and W. Sullivan; Des Moines, Freeman and Cote.

Kansas City, 5; St. Paul, 2.

ST. PAUL, June 23.—Bernstein pitched a splendid game today, but his support weakened in the sixth inning, when errors by Curley and Dillard gave the leaders the game. Brain made his third home run for the season on the home grounds. Attendance, 3,200. Score:

								R.	H.	E.
Kansas City	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	*—5	9 1
St. Paul	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0—2	8 4

Batteries: Kansas City, Weimer and Messitt; St. Paul, Bernstein and Wilson. Umpire: Carruthers.

Western League Standing.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Kansas City	34	13	.723
Omaha	24	21	.533
Minneapolis	24	21	.533
St. Joseph	24	22	.521
St. Paul	22	24	.478
Colorado Springs	19	22	.463
Denver	17	25	.404
Des Moines	14	30	.318

West Point, 4; Scribner, 3.

WEST POINT, Neb., June 23.—(Special Telegram.)—West Point defeated Scribner at Scribner today in a hotly contested and exciting game of base ball. The game up to the last two innings was nobody's and the large crowd present was kept in continual suspense. Score:

									R.	H.	E.
West Point	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	0—	4	10
Scribner	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2—	3	5

Batteries: West Point, Chada and Hayes; Scribner, Turner and Dugan. Earned runs: West Point, 1; Scribner, 0. Two-base hits: Hayes, Blair. Struck out: By Chada, 4; by Turner, 12. First base on balls: Off Chada, 3; off Turner, 3. Hit by pitched ball: Dugan. Passed balls: Hayes (2). Wild pitch, Chada. Stolen bases: Hunker, Kerl. Sacrifice hits: Hayes, Chada. Time: 1:30. Umpires: Tiedke and Crulkshank.

Uniques Score Another Victory.

The Uniques defeated the Jetter base ball team of South Omaha on the grounds of the latter Sunday afternoon by a score of 16 to 4. The Uniques had their batting clothes on. The main feature of the game was the pitching of Ruef for the Uniques. He had fifteen strike outs and allowed but four scattered hits. Ed Sage in leftfield played like a National leaguer and batted like a hero. Score:

Uniques	0	7	2	0	3	4	0	0	0—16
Jetters	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0— 4

Base hits: Uniques, 12; Jetters, 4. Batteries: Ruef and Henry, McHale, Banty and Tracey. Struck out: By Ruef, 12; by McHale, 2; by Banty, 3. Umpire: Woodworth.

Grand Island, 9; Columbus, 5.

COLUMBUS, Neb., June 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Grand Island won today on better fielding than the home team. Columbus had its batting clothes on, but the snappy fielding prevented much scoring. Hoffmeister was easy for the home boys to hit. Score:

										R.	H.	E.
Grand Island	0	2	0	0	0	0	2	5	0—	9	8	2
Columbus	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0—	5	16	6

Batteries: Grand Island, Hoffmeister and Glade; Columbus, Lohr and Coolidge. Struck out: By Lohr, 9; by Hoffmeister, 8. Two-base hits: Glade, Jones (2). Three-base hits: Lohr (2). Umpire: Hockenberger.

Omaha Originals Win.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., June 23.—(Special Telegram.)—The game today between the Argos and the Originals of Omaha was a fine exhibition of base ball. The visitors made three runs in the first inning, which won the game. There was a large attendance. Score:

									R.	H.	E.
Originals	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0—	5	5
Argos	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0—	2	3

Batteries: Originals, Welch and O'Keefe; Argos, Deering and Irvin. Struck out: By Welch, 12; by Deering, 5. Time: 1:40. Umpire: Hern.

Glenwood Maroons Win.

PACIFIC JUNCTION, Ia., June 23.—(Special.)—C. N. Dietz & Co. of Omaha played the Glenwood Maroons here today. The Omaha boys were defeated. Heavy hitting by both teams was the feature. Score:

Glenwood	4	3	4	0	0	0	1	4	0—	16
C. N. Dietz & Co.	4	0	0	0	3	0	0	1	4—	12

Batteries: Glenwood, Wilkins, Wilkenson and Rowe; C. N. Dietz & Co., Hathaway, McConnell and White.

Sioux Falls, 10; Flandreau, 0.

SIOUX FALLS, S. D., June 23.—(Special Telegram.)—In a game of base ball here today Sioux Falls defeated Flandreau, 10 to 0. The game attracted unusual interest, owing to the fact that Flandreau has been in the lead of South Dakota teams. Batteries: Sioux Falls, Haney and Blanford; Flandreau, Torrence and McKenzie. Struck out: By Haney, 8; by Torrence, 5.

Western Association.

At Toledo—Toledo, 13; Wheeling, 0.
At Louisville—First game: Louisville, 10; Columbus, 4. Second game: Louisville, 5; Columbus, 0.
At Dayton—Indianapolis, 4; Dayton, 3.
At Fort Wayne—First game: Fort Wayne, 12; Marion, 6. Second game: Fort Wayne, 14; Marion, 7.

Southern League Games.

NEW ORLEANS, June 23.—Score:

									R.	H.	E.
Little Rock	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1—	5	8
New Orleans	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	1—	4	6

Batteries: Little Rock, Popp and Lynch; New Orleans, Freem and Abbott.

Three-I League.

At Decatur—Decatur, 6; Rock Island, 5.
At Evansville—Evansville, 9; Davenport, 3.
At Bloomington—Bloomington, 6; Rockford, 0.
At Terre Haute—Cedar Rapids, 4; Terre Haute, 3.

Plainview, 9; Savage, 2.

PLAINVIEW, Neb., June 23.—(Special.)—The base ball game yesterday afternoon between Plainview and Savage was won by Plainview, 9 to 2.

Cycling has its ups and downs. After the downs, use Banner Salve if you're cut or bruised. It heals the hurt quickly. Take no substitutes.

HAY BREAKS DOWN

(Continued from First Page.)

Hay to reach New Haven, he looked up the railway time tables and arranged for an early departure so that by 9 o'clock Secretary Hay was on a Pennsylvania railway train speeding toward New Haven before many of his friends in Washington knew of the calamity that had befallen him.

As soon as the president learned of the news he dispatched a telegram to the chief of his cabinet to overtake him in his journey northward, expressing in the kindly and sympathetic language which characterizes the president's communications in such cases the depth of the sorrow he felt for the bereaved family. Secretary Hay's colleagues in the cabinet followed this example and Secretary Long also sent a personal letter of sympathy and condolence. The cabinet officers will attend the funeral of Adelbert Hay if it is feasible for them to do so.

Officials All Call.

After the secretary's departure and when the news had spread through the city by the morning newspapers, friends of the Hay family and officials began to call at the Sixteenth street home to leave their cards. Assistant Secretary Hill was first among the official callers and later there were many others. Later in the day all official Washington had left its tribute of sympathy at the home.

Adelbert S. Hay was the eldest son of the secretary of state and was born while the latter was living in Cleveland, O., about 25 years ago. His second name is Stone, which he bears in memory of the late Amasa Stone, his maternal grandsire. He was educated in the private schools of Cleveland and prepared at St. Paul's academy at Concord, N. H., for Yale. At the university he was a popular scholar, for though outwardly reserved in manner he was capable of warm and steadfast friendship and was of charming manners. At Yale Adelbert gave much time to athletics and thus splendidly developed his naturally robust frame, so that he stood at 21 fully six feet high, with chest and limbs of corresponding proportions. The stalwart figure of young Hay, with the look of reserve power in his face, undoubtedly went far toward securing for him the respect and consideration which are not always exhibited to one of his years.

Courage with His Strength.

With this physique went a degree of personal bravery that, though never recklessly or boastingly evidenced, was still manifested on more than one occasion. An instance of this was shown at Gibraltar. Young Hay was on his way out to the Philippines, a passenger on an army transport carrying a volunteer regiment to Manila. At Gibraltar the men had shore leave and when the hour for sailing arrived half the volunteers were not aboard. The company officers rounded up those in Gibraltar proper, but they could not go in uniform in chase of the roisterers, who had found a welcome hiding place among the Spanish drinking house keepers across the border. Adelbert Hay volunteered to act as provost marshal and he soon emptied the dives and dragged out the skulkers and drove them down to their ship.

An extended public career was scarcely possible for one of his years, yet in the short time that elapsed between his graduation from Yale and his death he had achieved a reputation worthy of emulation. Upon his return from the Philippines trip above referred to he cast about for something to do.

His South African Experience.

The situation in South Africa had attracted his attention and it was his own impulse that led him to volunteer to go to Pretoria to replace Consul Macrum. It was realized here that Pretoria would be besieged and that an official status would be little protection against this phase of war. Then the expenses of livelihood in Pretoria were far in excess of the salary of the consulate, so that he who took the place served his country at a personal loss. These considerations did not deter young Hay and he went forward to his post and there succeeded in discharging as a simple consul diplomatic duties requiring the exercise of the greatest tact and good judgment. The Boers received him with suspicion, knowing of his sometime residence in England when his father was ambassador at London. But this he soon dispelled and in the end the Boers learned to trust him and they showed their gratitude for the many kindly offices young Mr. Hay performed for their sick and wounded comrades on the other side of the lines.

On the other hand, the British prisoners who filled the Boer places of detention in the early stages of the war owed many necessities and many little luxuries to the American consul. Fever was epidemic in Pretoria, too, and the consulate work was exhausting, but not until the wave of war had passed over the place and the city was again safe and quiet did Mr. Hay feel that he could leave his post. Long before he actually started away from Pretoria he had received permission from the State department to return to the United States on leave of absence.

Charity His Debtor.

He left South Africa last November and returned to the United States by way of London. Soon after reaching Washington he tendered his resignation as consul at Pretoria. It had been for him an expensive employment. In a year he had spent his father's salary and his own. Of course much of this disbursement was in the way of private charity, the calls on which in the siege and afterward were simply irresistible. Since his resignation Mr. Hay had entered into no regular employment, though he had devoted himself in part to assisting in the conduct of his father's personal business.

However, by the irony of fate there had just come to him one of those golden opportunities that he had seized upon gratefully and was about to apply himself to it when his untoward end came. It had been the proudest recollection of John Hay's life that he had served Abraham Lincoln as his assistant private secretary. So it was to be the lot of Adelbert Hay to serve William McKinley in a like capacity. He had been offered and had accepted the position of assistant secretary to the president, a place now held by Major Pruden. The latter, after many years' service at the White House, has been made a paymaster in the United States army. He was under orders to report to the paymaster general January 1 next, when Mr. Hay was to have succeeded him.

EXPLANATION OF HAY'S FALL

Most Acceptable One is that He Dozed While Smoking in a Window.

NEW HAVEN, June 23.—When Adelbert S. Hay was found dead at the New Haven House this morning half a dozen physicians were summoned, but were unable to do anything, and the body awaited the orders of the coroner's deputy, Medical Examiner Bartlett. That official pronounced it a case of accidental death, and so reported to his superior, Coroner Mix.

The body was removed as soon as possible to the rooms of a nearby undertaker, where it awaited instructions from the family. Repeated efforts to locate Secretary Hay by wire were futile until the early morning hours, when a request from the father reached Mr. Seth Mosely, the proprietor of the hotel, to take care of the body until the members of the family could reach town.

Meanwhile the sensation occasioned by the tragedy continued. Every movement of young Hay was traced in an effort to penetrate the uncertainties of the awful affair. It was learned that the young man on May 29 left Washington with his mother and two sisters for Newburn, N. H., the summer home of Secretary Hay. Last week he left New Hampshire for New York, where he spent some days. He arrived in New Haven last evening in time for dinner, and went immediately to the New Haven House, where he was assigned to room No. 47, third floor, front, directly over the Chapel street entrance to the hotel office.

Young Hay was one of the vanguard of the academic class of Yale '98. He had come to his old college town as a member of his class triennial committee and arrived early to assist his colleagues on the committee in preparing for the festivities of commencement week in general and for the class supper in particular. He took dinner with some of his classmates and at 8 o'clock hurried to the Hyperion theater, where he witnessed the evening performance. He spent a quiet hour in the hotel corridor and smoking room after the theater and shortly after midnight retired to his room, remarking to the hotel clerk that he was sleepy and leaving a call for 9 o'clock this morning.

Laborer Sees the Pall.

He was not seen again until his body came whirling through the air to its destruction two and one-half hours later. The hotel where the unfortunate young man was quartered faces on Chapel street, the principal thoroughfare of the city, and is almost under the eaves of the university of which he proudly claimed as his alma mater.

There was a solitary spectator to the terrible tragedy, a laborer on the city streets. At the hour mentioned the workman saw the form of a man falling through space. An instant later the body lay directly in front of the main hotel entrance. The horrified laborer rushed to the spot and his shouts brought others. The usual crowd gathered. In it were several belated Yale graduates. They bent over the body. One of them, Julian Mason, a son of the late Edward G. Mason of Chicago and a classmate of young Hay, drew back and, horror stricken, cried: "My God it's Del Hay."

By this time the hotel clerk had reached the scene and made the identification complete. The body was clad in pajamas. One the window sill of the room occupied by young Hay was found a partly consumed cigarette. On the floor near the window was a ring worn by the victim. His clothing had been neatly arranged and the bed clothes were drawn back. The bed, however, had not been occupied. Here the mystery becomes intangible. The popular theory seems to have it that the young man having prepared for bed thought to indulge in a "good night smoke," that he chose the cool of the window, possibly dozed, lost his balance and fell from the window. The presence of the ring on the floor, however, gave rise to the fancy that possibly while toying with the ring, it dropped and that in an effort to recover it the fall resulted. However it happened, the known facts seem to make it conclusive that it was all an accident.

Young Hay, it was remarked, was in particularly good spirits and had planned with unusual enthusiasm to participate in the many engagements this week. In the harbor lies a yacht, in which, with a party of his friends, he had promised to join in a trip on Wednesday to New London for the Yale-Harvard boat races on Thursday. This morning a messenger carried to the yacht the news of the tragic end of the unfortunate man.

Injuries Disclosed.

Sunrise of commencement week Sunday found the dead body in the rooms of an undertaker. An examination of the remains disclosed a discoloration on the right forehead, a contusion on the right arm and an abrasion on the right leg.

A plain ring worn on the right hand was bent and cut. No bones were broken and there was no external fracture of the skull. In the sixty-feet flight downward the body escaped striking a balcony one story below and crashed upon the pavement with all the force of a momentum increased by the weight of a man of such large physique as young Hay.

Those members of the class of '98 who are in town after the examination of the coroner's physician escorted the body from the undertaking establishment to the private residence of Mr. Seth Mosely of the New Haven house. Here it awaited the arrival of the relatives.

In the college chapel at the morning service President Hadley, in addressing the members of the graduating class, referred to the death of young Hay as follows:

"The truths of the scriptural text and the value of high ideals of manhood are borne out by the untimely death of him whom we mourn today. His life was not long, but he understood Christian honor and he helped those about him to maintain it. If he had lived longer he would have helped many more."

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