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TAFT WRITES SPEECH

Next Week to Be Devoted to Drafting Address of Acceptance.

HITCHCOCK MAKES BRIEF VISIT

Chairman Holds Short Conference with Republican Candidate.

BEGINS WORK ON CAMPAIGN

Personnel of Executive Committee to Be Announced in Week.

MORE PLANS FOR NOTIFICATION

Cincinnati Committee Submits Outline to Mr. Taft—Cooper Brings Pledges from La Follette.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., July 9.—William H. Taft has decided to devote next week to writing his speech of acceptance of the republican nomination for the presidency. During that time he will not invite anyone here. Up to the present he has not written a word of his speech to be delivered in Cincinnati on July 28. Not until it is completed does he desire to discuss the document with his friends. Before it is made public, however, he will submit it to a number of the leaders of the party in order to get their views upon it.

Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock of the republican national committee arrived here this morning and after a short interview with Mr. Taft stated that he would not be ready to announce the membership of the executive committee or to make any statement regarding his organization for the campaign before a week from today. The selection of men for these places, he said, was a matter of importance requiring careful consideration and up to today he had given it no attention. Mr. Hitchcock will leave here tomorrow evening for Washington to take up the work of outlining a plan of campaign.

Plans for Notification.

Mr. Taft today received a delegation composed of Robert R. Reynolds, T. J. Moffet, J. Staley Hill, William B. Melish and John R. Malloy, from the citizens of Cincinnati charged with the duty of making arrangements for the notification meeting July 28. The committee went over their plans with Mr. Taft, who gave his approval to them. George R. Sheldon of New York, treasurer of the republican national committee, and Franklin Murphy, national committeeman from New Jersey, will be here tomorrow.

This afternoon the statesmen remaining here played another game of base ball with the newspaper correspondents. Burr McIntosh of New York was drafted as their pitcher, Representative Burke of Pennsylvania was catcher, Frank H. Hitchcock, first baseman; John C. Eversman, second baseman; Marion T. Herrick of Ohio, third baseman; Representative McKinley, shortstop; Charles F. Booker of Connecticut, right fielder; William Nelson Cromwell, center fielder; Richard C. Kerens of St. Louis, left fielder; Senator Hemenway of Indiana, umpire. The correspondents won, 25 to 16.

Brings Pledge from La Follette.

Representative Cooper of Wisconsin and Alfred O. Rogers, national committeeman for Wisconsin, left for their homes last evening after delivering to Mr. Taft a personal assurance from Senator La Follette, confirming his former statement that he would support the republican ticket. Senator Borah of Idaho, Frank B. Kellogg, national committeeman from Minnesota, and Representative Watson of Indiana, left for their respective homes. Mr. Taft was up early today, and after spending an hour in his office started for the golf links with Postmaster General Meyer, and former Governor Myron T. Herrick of Ohio.

One of the important matters to be discussed by Mr. Hitchcock with Mr. Taft concerns the selection of some one to be in charge of the Chicago headquarters. It is generally understood here that Senator Hemenway of Indiana will be decided upon for that place, with Representative McKinley of Illinois assistant treasurer, also to be located in Chicago. Mr. McKinley is treasurer of the congressional committee.

Senator Dick Satisfied.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Senator Charles Dick of Ohio, who has had wide experience in the management of political campaigns in his native state, as well as in national contests, believes Judge Taft acted wisely in selecting Frank H. Hitchcock as national chairman.

He said: "The selection of Mr. Hitchcock as chairman will not lose us a dozen votes in Ohio. I have assured Judge Taft that he can count on me for any assistance possible to be rendered, and I propose to do all I can to bring about the success of the republican party."

The senator was inclined to the belief that the tariff and currency questions would be the principal issues of the campaign. "But," he added, "one cannot be too sure of that yet, for in the final analysis the people themselves make the issues."

PARIS, July 9.—According to advices received here from Washington, William H. Taft recently announced to certain of his friends his purpose, if elected president of the United States of appointing George Von L. Meyer, at present postmaster general, to be his secretary of state.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., July 9.—When Postmaster General Meyer's attention was called to a report from Paris that Mr. Taft had announced his purpose to appoint him secretary of state in the event of Mr. Taft's election, he characterized the story as "absolutely made out of whole cloth." He is here with Judge Taft.

Cannon Calls at Utica.

UTICA, N. Y., July 9.—Speaker Cannon and Congressman Loudenslager of New Jersey are here today to confer with J. S. Sherman, the vice-presidential candidate concerning the chairmanship of the republican congressional campaign committee. It is understood that the whole subject was discussed at length. Mr. Sherman expressed a desire to be relieved in order that he might devote his attention to the canvass for the national ticket. It is not expected that decision will be reached today and it is said in the event of Mr. Sherman's insistence that he be relieved, Congressman James A. Tawney of Minnesota, the vice-chairman of the committee, will be named to succeed to the chairmanship.

John D. Again Grandfather.

BAR HARBOR, Me., July 9.—Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., gave birth to a son, late yesterday at the Rockefeller home here. This is the third child, the others being a boy and a girl.

SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Friday, July 10, 1908.

WEATHER.

FOR OMAHA AND COUNCIL BLUFFS AND VICINITY—Fair and warmer Friday.
FOR NEBRASKA—Generally fair Friday.
FOR IOWA—Fair and warmer Friday, probably fair, with warmer in south portion.

Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

Hour.	Deg.
5 a. m.	65
6 a. m.	66
7 a. m.	67
8 a. m.	70
9 a. m.	74
10 a. m.	76
11 a. m.	78
12 m.	80
1 p. m.	82
2 p. m.	84
3 p. m.	84
4 p. m.	86
5 p. m.	87
6 p. m.	86
7 p. m.	88
8 p. m.	82
9 p. m.	79

DOMESTIC.

Permanent Chairman Henry B. Clayton of Alabama delivers his address to the democratic convention at the afternoon session, after which the convention took a recess until 7 o'clock to await the report of the committee on resolutions. **Page 1**

Delegates and leaders in Denver are favorable to the selection of Mayor Dahlman of Omaha as chairman of the national committee, but Mr. Bryan's word has not yet been given. **Page 1**

Committee on resolutions at Denver reaches an agreement on the platform for the democratic convention. **Page 3**

When the nomination of Mr. Bryan is announced the citizens of Lincoln, including the republican state officers, are planning to make a trip to Fairview to offer congratulations. **Page 1**

Judge Gray of Delaware is still being importuned to be a candidate for vice president, but he again declines to consider it. **Page 1**

President of the New York Bankers' association appeals for greater consideration of the credit of the railroads. **Page 1**

Interstate Commerce commission stops allowance by Union Pacific to the Peavey Elevator company. **Page 1**

President Castro recalls the Venezuelan charge d' affaires in Washington, breaking all relations with this government. **Page 1**

Workmen on new bridge across Rhine fall into river with collapse of structure. **Page 1**

Veterans of Washington rally to the support of Superintendent of Foreign Mails Brooks. **Page 1**

FOREIGN.

Judge in the Eulenburg case defends himself for private hearing in the case. **Page 1**

COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.

Live stock markets. **Page 7**
Grain markets. **Page 7**
Stocks and bonds. **Page 7**

MOVEMENTS OF OCEAN STEAMSHIPS.

Port.	Arrived.	Sailed.
NEW YORK	Koenig Albert.	
NEW YORK	President Lincoln.	
NEW YORK		
QUEENSTOWN	Saxonia.	
CHERBOURG	Patricia.	K. Wilhelm II
COPENHAGEN	Heilig Olav.	
BREMEN	Barbarossa.	

RULING FAVORS TWIN CITIES

Finding that Freight Rates from Atlantic Should Be Lower Than to Missouri River.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—The Interstate Commerce commission today, on complaint that class rates from the Atlantic seaboard to Missouri river cities are unreasonable and discriminatory as compared to St. Paul and Minneapolis, decided that the rates to the last named cities being controlled by water and Canadian railroad competitions, may reasonably be lower than to the Missouri river. Because the through rates to the Missouri cities are unreasonably high, due to that part of the rates applying between the Mississippi river crossings and the Missouri river cities, the commission also held that the separately established rates applying west of the Mississippi to the through transportation should be reduced.

That the freight rate on yellow pine lumber from Arkansas and Texas points should not be higher to Des Moines than to Omaha was decided by the Interstate Commerce commission today. The Greater Des Moines committee had complained against the Chicago Great Western, Missouri Pacific and Wabash and other railroads that 27½ cents per hundred pounds is unjust, as compared with 23 cents from the same territories to Omaha.

HAWLEY REPORTS ABOUT WEST

President of Iowa Railroad Tells Eastern Stockholders Conditions Are Good.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Edwin Hawley has recently returned from an inspection trip over the principal divisions of the Minneapolis & St. Louis and the Iowa Central, of which two railroads he is president, and also over the Chicago & Alton, in which he is largely interested.

He found crop conditions in the territory covered by him much better than he had expected. Corn has been demanaged to some extent on the low ground, but Mr. Hawley thinks that when the crop is harvested this damage will represent only an insignificant loss. He says that he has never seen the central west and that part of the northwest through which he journeyed looking better than a week or two ago, when he was making his trip. Business men generally in the west, Mr. Hawley adds, are expecting better times soon.

BAPTIST YOUNG PEOPLE MEET

Annual Convention of This Organization Called to Order at Cleveland.

CLEVELAND, O., July 9.—A large number of delegates representing all sections of the country were in attendance today, when President F. Y. Mullins of Louisville, Ky., called to order the annual convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America.

John H. Chapman of Chicago responded to the address of welcome delivered on behalf of the city. "The Future of American Baptists" was discussed by Rev. E. A. Hanley, D. D., of Providence, R. I. Los Angeles, Cal., is making a strong fight for the next session.

BAR ELEVATOR ALLOWANCE

Union Pacific Estopped from Payments to Peavey Company.

FORMER ORDERS INEFFECTIVE

President Appoints William Geddes of Grand Island Government Commissioner to the Seattle Exposition.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, July 9.—(Special Telegram.)—The Interstate Commerce commission has once more swiped the Union Pacific railroad for granting allowances to elevators on petition of the Chicago Board of Trade, and protests from other quarters, indicating an extension of the practice of making elevation allowances.

In an opinion handed down today by Commissioner Harlan, the Union Pacific is estopped for a period of two years from paying any allowance whatsoever to Peavey & Co. on their own grain received in their own elevators at Kansas City or Council Bluffs, or on grain received at said elevators in which they have either a direct or indirect interest, that is not shipped out of said elevators in ten days after its receipt and the Union Pacific is ordered to stop paying any allowance to Peavey & Co. on grain belonging to them that has been mixed, treated, weighed or inspected in elevators at either Kansas City or Council Bluffs.

Opinion by Harlan.

Commissioner Harlan in rendering the opinion in the case says: "It is our opinion that our previous order of a cut in the allowance of 1¼ cents per hundred pounds to three-quarters of 1 cent does not reach far enough and has not been sufficient to cure the evil of which complaint was made, that allowance of 1¼ cents per hundred pounds was more than cost to Peavey & Co and was therefore an unlawful rebate. But advantages that are unlawful may be enjoyed in ways that do not involve the direct payment of rebates and we think that Peavey & Co. do enjoy in actual operation of their contract advantages that do not accrue to other shippers of grain. The mixing of grain is said to be one of the largest sources of profit to grain dealers. By mixing a carload of inferior grain with a carload of grain of a higher grade the aggregate value of the two carloads is increased and the dealer's profits from the sale are larger than they would be if the two carloads were sold separately. The storage of grain beyond the elevation period of ten days is also of commercial value to the grain dealers. If, therefore, the Union Pacific Railroad company pays to Peavey & Co. an allowance of three-fourths of 1 cent or of any other amount however small, on grain belonging to them which has been mixed, treated, stored, weighed or inspected in their elevators, it amounts to a contribution by the Union Pacific Roalroad company to Peavey & Co. of the cost of securing these commercial results and benefits.

"No way has been suggested by which the Union Pacific Railroad company may avail itself of the Peavey & Co. elevators under the contract in question, without giving to Peavey & Co. and to their grain the commercial advantages alluded to, an undue and unlawful preference."

Exposition Commissioner Named.

President Roosevelt has appointed members of the Government Board for the Alaska-Yukon Pacific exposition, to be held at Seattle next year. The board is composed of three members, Jesse H. Wilson, assistant secretary of the interior department; William Geddes of the Treasury department and William Decravenel of the Smithsonian Institution and National Museum. They are charged with the general supervision of and the preparation of the government exhibit to be made from the departments from Alaska, Hawaii and the Philippine islands. Mr. Geddes, who is from Grand Island, Neb., is also made secretary and disbursing officer of the board, this being the sixth exposition in which he has been identified with the government's participation, having began with the Trans-mississippi exposition at Omaha.

On the recommendation of both Nebraska senators, Dr. J. R. Ralph has been appointed a pension examining surgeon at Omaha, vice Dr. W. H. Christie, deceased.

The gross receipts of the Omaha postoffice for the month of June were $63,300, against $58,490 for the same period of last year, an increase of $4,805.

Charles W. Washburn has been appointed postmaster at Malcolm, Lancaster county, Nebraska, vice Frank S. Daney, resigned.

VETERANS RALLY TO BROOKS

Presidential Order Superseding Superintendent of Foreign Mails Causes Hubbub in Washington.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—A storm of indignation has been raised among Grand Army veterans here as the result of the announcement that Captain Newton M. Brooks, superintednent of foreign mails of the Postoffice department, is to be transferred to a subordinate position in the department, with Basil Miles of Pennsylvania, third secretary of the embassy at Berlin, as his successor. At an informal meeting of local Grand Army of the Republic men last night indignation was expressed over the change and President Roosevelt was criticised.

A general indignation meeting of Grand Army veterans has been called for Friday night, when resolutions will be adopted asking the president to rescind the projected supercession of Captain Brooks. Captain Brooks is past commander of the Department of the Potomac and a past president of the Union Soldiers' alliance, as well as a member of the Loyal Legion and the Sons of the American Revolution.

NEW YORK BANKER'S APPEAL

President of State Association Claims Credit of Railroads Has Been Assailed.

FRONTENAC, N. Y., July 9.—An appeal to all bankers to work together to restore railroad credit as a means of overcoming the effects of the recent period of financial depression was made today by Charles Elliott Warren, president of the New York Bankers' association in his annual address to the opening session of the fifteenth annual convention of that organization. "Public antagonism to corporations, and particularly to railroads must cease," said Mr. Warren. "The credit of the railroads has been put in jeopardy. For the welfare, not only of the railroads but of the whole country all should work to strengthen railroad credit. Capital invested in railroads is today performing the greatest service in the United States and is receiving the least return for it."

Mr. Warren said he regarded all the signs of the times as pointing to a general revival of business.

AS A MONUMENT TO VANDALISM

Remains of Taft Banner Being Sent Abroad by Photograph.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, July 9.—(Special.)—Tattered and torn, burned and smeared with the grime of the street, the mutilated Taft banner will form an important campaign document for the republican party, not only of Nebraska, but of the nation. The once artistic piece of work, which proclaimed to all "Nebraska for Taft," which met such an ignominous fate last night, has been photographed and will be sent out, to show to the people of the nation that under the Bryan banner there still roosts the wild-eyed and unreasonable element which characterized a consuderable portion of his support of 1896. Respectable and conservative democrats in Lincoln today have joined with republicans in denouncing the action of the vandal who perpetrated the deed, but the result of the act is the conclusion on the part of many republicans that the campaign of 1908 will be a repetition of the campaign of 1896, when Mr. Bryan attracted to his support an element of people to whom reason does not appeal.

Chairman Hayward of the republican state committee will at once secure another Taft and Sherman banner, a duplicate of the one destroyed, and it will be suspended over O street just as soon as it is completed.

The damage to the Sterling Clothing store by water, resulting from the fire which followed the falling of the banner, is estimated at $5,000. Some of the insurance adjusters are opposing payment of this for the reason, they say, the policies do not cover loss as a result of a short electric current, which caused the damage. Others favor paying the claim. Should the store lose out in its fight with the insurance companies it is possible the republican state committee will make good the loss. The damaged clothing, of course, will be placed on sale at a fire sale, and it is probable the net loss will not exceed $2,500.

The banner was a heavy affair, the wire cable which held it suspended being almost as large as a man's wrist. This was clipped on the north side of the street. The heavy wire and banner falling broke electric wires, which in turn burned a hole in a water pipe, which flooded the store and damaged a large amount of clothing.

Shortly after the banner fell a crowd of about a dozen collected, among them being a couple of policemen. Some one in the crowd yelled, "Three cheers for the man who cut the wire." The three cheers were given by several in the crowd. At least one policeman has been severely criticized because the day before he made the statement that he would walk a block around before he would go under the banner.

The destruction of the banner constitutes a felony, and County Attorney Tyrrell will prosecute the parties if they are ever caught.

A feature of the flag destruction is that no one has made inquiries regarding the whereabouts of Barbara Freitchie at the time of the destruction.

COURT IS DRIVEN TO COVER

German Judge in Zu Eulenburg Case Declares No Partiality is Shown.

BERLIN, July 9.—The chief judge hearing the case of Prince Philip Zu Eulenburg, who is charged with perjury in connection with the "Round Table" scandals last year, has replied to the continued attack of the press charging that the court was treating the princely prisoner more leniently than was the custom with accused persons in ordinary walks of life. This morning he called together the official reporters of the court and said he wished them to make public his declaration that the prince was treated in a manner different from other prisoners only on account of his ill health; no consideration influenced the court.

The court continued today by taking of testimony. The states' attorney has appealed to the prince to speak out and cease his denials, but this appeal remains unanswered.

WORKMEN FALL INTO RHINE

Huge Crane Falls, Taking Several Spans of Bridge and Killing Many Men.

COLOGNE, July 9.—The new bridge under construction over the Rhine at Cologne fell in today and many of the workmen engaged on the structure lost their lives. Up to noon fourteen bodies had been recovered and nine men had been taken from the water seriously injured.

The scaffolding supporting the powerful crane used in the erection of the central span of the bridge collapsed and the crashing down of this section carried with it several other spans. Several workmen were thrown into the river. Some of them are still underneath the scaffolding, and there is no hope whatever of their lives. Immediately after the accident boats put out for the scene and began the work of rescue. About a score of struggling men were quickly picked up.

PRINCE EXPECTS HARD FIGHT

Action of Count Boni Expected by Husband of His Former Wife.

PARIS, July 9.—The attorneys for the Prince De Sagan are in no way surprised that Count Boni De Castellane intends to attack not only the Prince De Sagan, but his wife, in his forthcoming suit to gain possession of his three children.

They say that they expect that the count will attempt to create as much of a scandal as possible and they look forward to a protracted legal battle. The Prince and Princess De Sagan arrived at Versailles today and took up their quarters in a hotel where they probably will remain until the opening of their house in Paris in the autumn. They both decline to talk of the suit brought by Count Boni.

RUSSIAN NAVAL ACCIDENT

Third One of Its Kind in Finnish Gulf During Season—Torpedo Boat Wrecked.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 9.—A Russian torpedo boat was wrecked in the gulf of Finland today by running on the rocks off the Reval. The crew were saved. Later the damage to the boat was temporarily repaired and it was towed to Helsingfors. This is the third naval accident in the Finnish gulf during the present navigating season.

Shah Decides on Change.

ST. PETERSBURG, July 9.—A special dispatch received here from Teheran says the Shah of Persia has decided upon radical changes in the electoral law. He purposes to create an upper chamber drawn from the ranks of the clergy and the landowning class.

MAYOR JIM FOR CHAIRMAN

Selection Under Consideration by Party Leaders at Denver.

WORD FROM BRYAN ONLY NEEDED

Nebraskan Willing to Sacrifice Gubernatorial Boom on Altar of Duty—Need Man "We Can Trust."

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DENVER, July 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Mayor Jim Dahlman of Omaha may be the chairman of the democratic national committee. The delegates are for him and the new national committee is for him, and if Bryan picks him there will be no further argument.

"The matter has been discussed with me," said Mayor Jim this morning, "but no decision has been reached. Mr. Bryan has not asked me, although we have talked over the chairmanship matter at some detail. It might not be a good plan to have the candidate and the national chairman from the same state, but there are some other reasons in favor of it."

The mayor would not discuss the effect of his chairmanship, if he gets it, on his gubernatorial boom, further than to say he would do whatever Bryan and the party leaders wanted him to do.

The secret for the Dahlman boom for the chairmanship is that Bryan's close advisers are suspicious of some of the men suggested for the place.

"Bryan has already suffered too much from treachery in the campaign management," said one of them, "and we want a man we can trust this time and that's why we are going to insist upon Dahlman."

Mitchell Begs Off.

John Mitchell, former head of the United Mine Workers of America, today made a personal appeal to the Alabama delegation not to present his name to the convention for the vice presidential nomination. Alabama being the first in the alphabetical roll call of states could give the Mitchell nomination impetus by presenting the name of the labor leader in advance of other candidates.

When Mr. Mitchell heard that the delegation had planned such a step he lost no time in trying to head it off. In discussing the situation at the Alabama headquarters Mr. Mitchell said that while he would possibly strengthen the democratic ticket in some quarters he would weaken it in others, and therefore he advised the delegation to abandon its plan. Speaking of his personal wishes in the matter he said he had made plans for the future which meant much to his family and that he should like to be undisturbed in carrying out his program, particularly as he was generally adverse to entering upon a political campaign.

Boom for Governor Francis.

The Missouri delegation today called on former Governor David R. Francis and announced a decision reported today to put Mr. Francis in nomination for the vice presidency. The Missourians expect to secure for Mr. Francis the support of eastern democrats because of the fact that he was a member of the Cleveland cabinet. If Judge Gray of Delaware is eliminated from consideration the Missouri delegation believes that Mr. Francis will be the beneficiary.

Francis and Douglas Out.

The Indiana delegation today began working earnestly among other delegations in an effort to work up sentiment for John W. Kern for the vice presidential nomination. If they receive the encouragement they expect, a meeting will be held tonight with a view to making arrangements for the presentation of his name to the convention. His delegation is solidly behind him and more than a dozen states have been pledged to support him in the event that Judge Gray of Delaware is not available.

Two of the strong preconvention possibilities for the vice presidential nomination were apparently removed from consideration later in the day by the decision of Missouri not to present the name of former Governor David B. Francis, and Massachusetts not to place former Governor William L. Douglas in nomination. The action of the Missouri delegation was taken at the request of Mr. Francis.

Connecticut is determined to present the name of Archibald McNeil and hopes to gain the support of other New England delegations.

Georgia will present the name of Clark Howell for vice president. W. H. H.

GLAD HAND OF STATE OFFICERS

Will Go to Fairview and Extend Their Congratulations.

LINCOLN, July 9.—(Special Telegram.)—Republican state officials in Lincoln at the time Lincoln people go to Fairview to extend their congratulations in the event of the nomination of Mr. Bryan, will join the throng and make the trip with the residents of Mr. Bryan's home city. A member of the Bryan club visited the state house and extended the invitation and the assurance was given that the state officials would be glad to go.

As soon as the nomination takes place, the plans are to hurry by cars and other vehicles to Fairview and give celebration of a non-partisan character.

The members of the local police force are said to be working on the Taft banner case with a view of determining the responsibility for its destruction, but the energy of the democratic detectives is not said to be wearing them out either physically or mentally. Several members of the police force are said to have been at the corner at the time the strings supporting the banner were cut and to have made no effort to investigate further. The banner became entangled with live wires and was burned.

COMMITTEE FINISHES ITS WORK

Old National Organization Holds Last Meeting.

DENVER, Colo., July 9.—The retiring democratic national committee held its final meeting this afternoon with a almost complete attendance, Chairman Taggart presiding. Committeeman M. J. Wade of Iowa, offered a resolution extending the thanks of the committee to is several officers—Chairman Taggart, Secretary Urey Woodson, Assistant Secretary Edwin Sefton, Treasurer W. H. O'Brien and Sergeant-at-Arms John I. Martin—and "to those who have aided them in the performance of their various duties."

Chairman Taggart responded in appropriate vein on behalf of himself and his fellow officers, announcing that an opportunity would be found today if possible for a gathering of the old and new national committees to meet in a social way.

The resolution, which was unanimously adopted, was prepared by a subcommittee consisting of Messrs. Wade of Iowa, J. Taylor Ellyson of Virginia and Clark Howell of Georgia.

BULLETINS OF NIGHT SESSION

DENVER, July 9.—7:15 p. m.—Chairman calls convention to order.

7:53 p. m.—Chairman of Pennsylvania delegation submitted name of James Kerr as member of national committee. Selection ratified by convention. Convention is waiting report of committee on resolutions.

8:10 p. m.—Senator Grady of New York goes to rostrum to speak.

8:15 p. m.—Judge Wade of Iowa follows Senator Grady.

8:25 p. m.—Clark of Missouri goes to the rostrum to speak.

8:30 p. m.—Ollie James of Kentucky, chairman of committee, reported that committee on resolutions would not report until midnight.

8:40 p. m.—On motion of Ollie James, the rules were suspended and, pending the submission of the platform, nominating speeches begun. The understanding is that there shall be no ballot until the platform is adopted.

8:41 p. m.—I. J. Dunn takes the platform to nominate Bryan amid great cheering.

DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS END

Venezuelan Charge d'Affaires Presents Letters of Recall at Washington.

WASHINGTON, July 9.—Senor Velez Golticia, the Venezuelan charge d' affaires in this city, this afternoon called at the State department and presented to Acting Secretary Bacon his letters of recall. This action was taken by direction of President Castro and as the result of the withdrawal from Caracas of Jacob Sleeper, the American charge. The effect of today's action is the complete rupture of relations between Venezuela and America.

The charge appeared at the State department at 3:30 this afternoon and was admitted to see Acting Secretary Bacon in the course of a few minutes, having previously made an engagement for the purpose. He was greeted very kindly by Mr. Bacon.

The interview lasted about five minutes, when the charge retired and said farewell to some of the officials of the department, by whom he is highly regarded. He will leave Washington for New York Saturday and sail on the first passenger steamer for Venezuela. The Venezuelan legation here will be closed and the papers and files will be placed in the hands of the Venezuelan consul general at New York.

CARACAS, Saturday, June 20.—The threatening break in the friendly relations long existing between Holland and Venezuela will add one more nation to the long list of those which either have no intercourse with Venezuela or have sgerious questions pending. These are France, Colombia, United States, England and perhaps Italy. The path of the diplomat in Caracas is thorny and only too many have met their fate at Castro's hands.

WATSON NOTIFIED TONIGHT

Mass Meeting at Atlanta Medium for Formal Notice to Populist Candidate.

ATLANTA, Ga., July 9.—Thomas E. Watson will be formally notified of his nomination for president by the populists of the United States at a mass meeting to be held tonight. Judge J. W. Forrest of Albany, N. Y., heads the notification committee.

Mr. Watson will reply to the speech of notification an da reception will close the proceedings. The notification will follow the Georgia populist state convention which met today and selected a new state committee and presidential electors. No state ticket will be put in the field. Mr. Watson arrived in Atlanta last night and was tendered a reception, the principal addresses being made by General Coxey of Ohio and George A. Honnecker of New York.

PRESIDENT TAKES TO WOODS

He and Family Start Early to Enjoy Day's Outing Near Oyster Bay.

OYSTER BAY, N. Y., July 9.—Early today President Roosevelt and his family started out for a day in the woods. All provisions and necessary things to make the days enjoyment complete were taken along. No secret service men accompanied the family.

On account of the president's absence from Sagamore Hill today, no information on the reported utterance of the president regarding a war with Japan as quoted by R. P. Hobson at Denver could be secured. Secretary Loeb declared that he knew nothing of any such statement by the president, but said when Mr. Roosevelt returned at 6 o'clock tonight the matter would be brought to his attention.

MILWAUKEE'S PLANS IN WEST

Report Road Has Bought Tacoma Eastern is Said to Be Premature.

NEW YORK, July 9.—Reports from Chicago that the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul nad purchased control of the Tacoma Eastern, a small road in the state of Washington, are said by officials of the St. Paul to be at least premature. It is not denied, however, that the purchase of this small road is being considered.

The St. Paul's plans for its Pacific coast extension call for an entrance to both Seattle and Tacoma and the lines into these cities are well advanced. The Tacoma Eastern has a total of about sixty-one miles of line, the main section running from Tacoma to Ashford, Wash. It has $1,500,000 of stock, commbn and preferred and $754,000 of bonds.

FLEET MAKES GOOD PROGRESS

Early in Morning Warships Were Four Hundred and Eight Miles from San Francisco.

ON BOARD U. S. S. CONNECTICUT AT SEA, July 9.—8. a. m.—(By Wireless to Mare Island Navy Yard)—At 8 o'clock this morning the Atlantic fleet is 408 miles out from San Francisco. The weather is pleasant and the fleet is steaming in squadron formation at 10 knots.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 9.—The battleship Nebraska of the Atlantic fleet which was detained in quarantine on account of an outbreak of scarlet fever on board, having been thoroughly fumigated, sailed today to rejoin the fleet at Honolulu.

Steamer Strikes Rocks.

NORTH SIDNEY, C. B., July 9.—The Battle Line steamer Arcola struck the rocks off St. Paul's island last night and will probably be a total loss, according to a dispatch received here today. The crew of the steamer was saved. The Arcola was bound from Manchester for Miramich river in ballast and struck the rocks during a thick fog. St. Paul's island is at the extreme northerly point of Cape Breton, about ten miles from shore.

JAB AT ROOSEVELT

Chairman Clayton's Speech Likely to Stir Up the President.

REVAMPS OLD PARKER CHARGE

Republicans Think Roosevelt Will Come Back, as He Did on Original.

CLAYTON FAILS TO GET OVATION

Statement Taft's Nomination is Same as Roosevelt a Wet Blanket.

PLATFORM NOT SATISFACTORY

Not Radical Enough for Radicals and Too Radical for Conservatives—Men from Debatable States Sore.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

DENVER, July 9.—(Special Telegram.)—It is an odds on wager that President Roosevelt will be on the stump for the republican ticket before the campaign gets warm. There is apparently nothing else left for him to do after the address of Congressman Clayton, the permanent chairman, today. Clayton, in words that cannot be misunderstood nor misinterpreted, charged President Roosevelt with having made Cortelyou chairman of the republican national committee in the campaign four years ago for the sole purpose of levying blackmail and campaign tribute on the corporations that had come under Cortelyou's investigations and supervision while he was secretary of the Department of Commerce and Labor. He charged that favored corporations contributed a slush fund of enormous proportions, that was used by the republicans to debauch the electorate.

This, in effect, was a repetition of the charge made by Judge Parker in the campaign of 1904. It will be remembered that Mr. Roosevelt grabbed at the charge like a hungry trout at a fly and compelled Parker to admit that the testimony on which he based his charges was incompetent, irreevant, immaterial and untrue. At that time the men who were really close to Mr. Roosevelt had a most strenuous time in keeping him from taking the stump to refute the Parker charges. As Parker could not sustain his assertions, the matter was dropped. Clayton's address is a renewal of the old indictment against the president, and the republicans here are convinced that the president cannot do anything less than come to the defense against the assault upon his official honesty and integrity.

Clayton Does Not Make a Hit.

The Clayton speech was much short of an ovation-making affair. He devoted the first portion of it, extending over a half hour in the delivery, to arguments showing that Roosevelt and Taft were really one and the same personages and that the policies of one were the policies of the other and that an endorsement of Taft meant an endorsement of Roosevelt. Somehow the talk did not make a hit, even among the radical democrats, most of whom voted for Roosevelt in 1904 and were looking for an excuse to vote for Taft in 1908. Nothing in the address aroused any enthusiasm until Mr Clayton began lauding Mr. Bryan, and the greatest demonstration came when he declared that the democratic policies or some of them had received "the august sanction of Theodore Roosevelt."

Mr. Clayton's address was delivered before the report of the committee on resolutions and, of course, he was compelled to fight shy of specific declarations on vital issues. When the report came in it was found to be like the product of a curio store, "something a man buys when he does not want it and something that he never buys again." It satisfied no ane and angered most democrats. But it was all a part of the performance. Bryan simply rang the bell and shouted "front" and every bellboy in the house slid up to the desk to receive the orders of the dictator. It was fresh towels and a hot bath for the favorites and cold water for the conservatives. In the meantime, the democrats from seven of the states considered debatable are sitting in sullen anger and refusing to respond to any cues. Conservative democrats admit that the platform, the Clayton speech and the general Bryan program spells a repetition of 1896 and 1900 for the Nebraska leader. W. H. H.

READY FOR THE PLATFORM

Resolutions and Nominations to Occupy Night Session.

DENVER, July 9.—Two sessions of the democratic national convention, the first at 11 o'clock today and the second beginning at 7 o'clock tonight, have advanced the work well nigh to completion and have brought the decisive hours for the consideration of the party's candidates and declaration of principles. The opening session today lasted three hours and brought about the completion of the permanent organization of the convention, with the resounding address of Congressman Clayton of Alabama, permanent chairman of the convention. When the session opened tonight, every formality of organization had been accomplished and the decks were clear for the supreme work of adopting the platform and naming the candidates.

The scenes within the convention amphitheater today repeated the previous days in the magnitude of the gathering and the eager enthusiasm of the throngs. There were frequent demonstrations as the names of party idols, or Jeffersonian principles were pronounced, but there was no repetition during the early session of the tumultuous record-breaking demonstration of yetserday. The address of the permanent chairman, Mr. Clayton, proved to be a caustic arraignment of the failure of the Roosevelt policies and an enunciation of democratic doctrine. The ringing voice of the orator and the emphasis of his gestures stirred the listening thousands to frequent demonstrations of enthusiastic approval. At 2:30 o'clock the platform committee was not yet prepared to report, and the convention took a recess until this evening, so that all remaining differences of detail on the platform could be reconciled and the document be ready for adoption and the presidential nomination be reached before the adjournment of the night session.

Delegates Wearied.

Yesterday's strenuous proceedings at the morning session of the convention, and the late session of last night, had a marked effect on the delegates today and they were slow in reaching their seats.

This was particularly noticeable of the larger states such as New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Ohio. The men of the Keystone state had had in addition to the fatigue entailed by the work of yesterday, a series of conferences to delay them. They