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CAUCUS NOMINATIONS.

Tollett in the Senate and Cunningham in the House

The name of Hon. J. J. Bean did not go before the State Democratic caucus as a candidate for Speaker this morning, and Hon. E. G. Tollett of Cumberland County was elected as the Democratic nominee by acclamation.

After nominations had been placed in order and the name of Mr. Tollett had been placed before the caucus Mr. Bean arose and said that, as he believed that the majority desired Mr. Tollett for presiding officer, he would second the nomination of Mr. Tollett.

Gov. John I. Cox, who will be in the Senate after he vacates the office of Governor, participated in the caucus. He moved that Mr. Tollett be elected by acclamation, and it was so ordered.

For Chief Clerk, Ed Thomas was re-elected on the first ballot. E. H. Burks was also re-elected as Assistant Clerk.

It required thirteen ballots to elect an Engraving Clerk, Miss Barry finally winning over three competitors. For Sergeant-at-Arms there were four candidates, Sullivan winning on the sixth ballot. Mike Madden and Frank Hallam were elected pages.

The caucus completed its work in less than an hour and a half and adjourned sine die about thirty minutes before the time set for the convening of the full Senate.

HOUSE STRIKES SNAG.

The House caucus did not have as easy sailing as the Senate. Several snags were run against after Mr. Burkhalter was elected Chairman and the body got down to business.

While nominations were being made for Speaker, Representative Marr, of Davidson, one of the candidates charged that a deal had been made whereby three committee chairmanships were to go to the Davidson delegation in exchange for Cunningham votes. This was denied by Representative Peay of Davidson and the little breeze soon blew over.

The first ballot for Speaker showed that Representative Cunningham of Montgomery County had a decided lead with Representative Cummins of Hamilton, a rather distant second and Gordon third. Representative Marr of Davidson failed to develop any initial strength. Cunningham gained on the second ballot, coming within a few votes of the nomination.

Representative Cunningham was nominated on the third ballot, his choice being made unanimous after the roll call showed a victory for the Montgomery Countian. Mr. Ed. Martin was unanimously nominated for Chief Clerk of the House, he having no opposition.

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MEMPHIS MAN NAMED

To Act as Japanese Interpreter at El Paso, Tex.

R. L. Pruett, of 45 Tucker avenue, has been notified of his appointment as Japanese interpreter under the Bureau of Immigration of the Department of Commerce and Labor of the United States Government, and has been directed to report to El Paso, Tex., for duty at once.

The official communication informing him of his appointment was received by Mr. Pruett yesterday, and he will leave to-night for El Paso to assume the duties of his position.

Mr. Pruett spent ten and one-half years in Japan in educational work, and while in that country mastered the language of the Japanese. His residence was in Tokio, but his work carried him to all the seaports and in fact practically all over the Japanese empire.

The appointment of Mr. Pruett as interpreter was made by F. H. Larned, acting commissioner of the Bureau of Immigration, and the accompanying letter directs him to report to T. F. Shumacker, inspector in charge at El Paso, where it is probable a Japanese interpreter will be needed permanently.

Mr. Pruett arrived in Memphis from Japan last spring. Some four months ago he made application for appointment as an interpreter. Under date of Dec. 8 the Bureau of Immigration wired him with reference to the matter, and the appointment followed by mail, reaching Memphis Monday night.—Commercial Appeal.

Mr. Pruett is a native of this county.

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THE NEGRO'S BEST HOME.

In Kemper County, Miss., the three white ruffians who murdered the negro Nicholas, a peaceful and industrious citizen, who had the respect of the community, have been indicted, and Gov. Vardaman has offered a reward of \$500 for their apprehension. If caught, it is expected that justice will be promptly meted out to them. A year or two ago a white man was legally hanged in Mississippi for killing a negro.

Noting the efforts of the whites to capture the murderers of Nicholas, the Washington Post, whose editorial writers are thoroughly familiar with the South, and especially the Far South, says: "The South is the place for all such negroes as this Nicholas is reputed to have been—the cotton South. There is not a day in that section that white jurors do not return verdicts for black litigants in lawsuits between scamp white men and honest black men, such as Nicholas was. In no other country can the sober, industrious, harmless negro do so well as in the cotton country. Cotton is his crop. It requires less skill to till it than any other crop, infinitely less than does tobacco or corn. Just scratch the ground, plant, hoe, cultivate with 'bull tongue,' then pick, and you have the staple that will fetch the cash in ten thousand markets. Cotton and the negro are a happy combination, and the best satisfied and most contented people on earth are to be found in the negro cabins of the cotton South. But it is a bad place for your political or your professional negro—a bad place for your vagabond, criminal negro—a very bad place, indeed."

The truth of this will not be disputed by those familiar with the facts. The negro gets a fairer deal in the South than anywhere else, and has a better chance to succeed, to earn a living, to work at a trade, to own a farm or acquire property than anywhere else. And if he shows himself worthy he will find plenty of white friends to stand by him. Thousands of negroes will testify to this.—Nashville American.

Accident Shot.

While returning from a Christmas entertainment, during the holidays, Miss Lida Moore, daughter of B. Moore, was accidentally shot by a young man named Briggs. We are informed that the young man had in his possession a blank pistol, and had loaded it with 22 calibre cartridges instead of blanks as intended for the gun, and in carelessly shooting it, a ball entered the limb of Miss Moore, just under the knee. The wound was not serious, however, and is getting nicely.—Hickman Courier.

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THE PRESIDENT AND NEGRO TROOPS.

The announcement that it has been determined by the President to send all the negro troops composing part of the regular army to the Philippine Islands, for service there, can but add to the acute phase of the issue already existing between the Executive and that branch of the Republican party in Congress championed by Senator Foraker. In the abstract, the movement has much to commend it. One regiment of this class of troops has been serving in the archipelago for the past year, and the official reports of its service there represent that they have proven, in all respects, efficient and diligent in the discharge of their duties. Two conditions are favorable to such efficiency. In the first place, the natives, while not of African type, are of a colored race, and there is none of that tendency to racial antagonism that would exist were they brought in such contact with a white race. Being a part of the American military force intrusted with the duty of keeping good order in the islands, they are held under good military discipline and made to realize their duty and superiority to the native element. These conditions of discipline and active service tend to impress the troops with a sense of responsibility and self respect, and as a result, to elevate them both as individuals and soldiers. In the second place, they are removed from the baneful influence of that political radicalism which is such a constant stimulant to troops of the same color, in home service, to depart from the rules of military discipline, by the exhibition of such racial excesses as have occurred recently among negro troops stationed at various posts at home.

But, despite the arguments by which the President and his friends may seek to justify the policy thus inaugurated, it needs no prescience to foretell that the adoption of this policy will greatly intensify the antagonism already developed against President Roosevelt on account of his discharge without honor, of the battalion of negro troops for their action at Brownsville.

The feeling against him, within his own party, as voiced by Senator Foraker, is unmistakable in its intensity and earnestness. In the debate which took place just before the recess the position taken by the Ohio Senator was not only antagonistic, upon the lines of military and civic law, but had all the semblance of a political issue, with an appeal, if not a demand, to the members of his party to rebuke the President for his action. That it had a visible effect was evident to anyone who read the full debate, no political ally of the President venturing to take issue with him, Senator Lodge, who took part in the opening of the debate as apparently the champion of the President, wilting under the stinging rebuke of criticism and abandoning the field.

The attitude which the case has presented since that debate is that the President need not look to his party adherents in the Senate for vindication from the attack of Foraker. Senator Spooner is the only one from whom such friendly service could have been expected, but the indications are that the issue has been made so sharp, that for any defense of the President recourse will have to be had to the Democratic side of the Senate. This, however, would only be playing into the hands of the Ohio Senator, who is making a party issue with the President, and

would be glad to put him in the attitude of seeking such defense. The indications are quite plain that, as matters now stand, Senator Foraker's resolution providing for an investigation into the Brownsville matter and the President's thereon will be adopted.

In fact, it does not require much acumen to interpret the action of the President in ordering the negro troops to the Philippines as a recognition of the situation in the early passage of the Foraker resolution. In making that order he is apparently taking time by the forelock and providing against the recurrence of such acts as led to his late order and have occurred since at Fort Reno and other places.—Courier Journal.

The Missouri Girl.

"The Missouri Girl" is a comedy drama that produces more genuine, hearty laughter than anything yet written. In connection with a strong and interesting plot, it contains the most ludicrous situations ever conceived. The company presenting the play this season is composed of some of the best known people in the theatrical profession, who are fully capable of extracting this fun and dealing it out to the public in a most satisfactory manner. Nine of the old favorites remain in the cast. Some of them have played their respective roles continuously for the past eight seasons. This guarantees a first-class performance. The new people added this season were selected for their peculiar fitness for the roles they were to assume and it is safe to predict that a "better than ever" line can safely be added to the advertising matter.

The vaudeville portion of the show has been enlarged and strengthened. The same "Zeke" with his famous "clodhopper" dances, the same "Daisy" with her original songs and a lot of new specialties never before seen in the play will be introduced in the "birthday party" scene.

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To Dock Congressmen.

Representative Gaines, of Tennessee, declares that he will insist upon the consideration of his bill providing that members of Congress who absent themselves without a good excuse shall be subject to a reduction of salary for every day's non-appearance. He thus hopes to abate the scandal of a frequent want of a quorum to transact the public business. But what can he expect to accomplish by a new law when an act of like character has long been on the statute book? Some members are more conspicuous—and more useful, perhaps—by their absence from the House. They are seen to be of little or no service except to make a quorum. As for Representative Gaines, there can be no question as to his industry and faithful attention to his duties. Yet some people, so far from giving him credit for his assiduity, are ill-natured enough to say that his name appears too often in the Congressional Record and that there is many an occasion in which the House could dispense with his counsels. It is a day in which his name does not frequently grace the pages of the Record as an interrogator in the debate, no matter what may be under consideration. Yet in spite of all this insidious disparagement the Representative from Tennessee is a most valuable member, and his continuous election shows that his merits are thoroughly appreciated by his constituents. Long may he continue to serve them!—Philadelphia Record.

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