

PROGRESSIVE HOST GOING TO CHICAGO TO RENEW BATTLE

Wave of Enthusiasm Sweeps Country as Delegates to Convention Gather to Advance Cause of New Party.

CAMPAIGN OF EDUCATION PLANNED BY BULL MOOSE

By JUDSON O. WELLS. CHICAGO, Dec. 8.—Frankly bidding for the confidence of the nation in its moral and intellectual leadership, the Progressive party will put forth a legislative, constructive program from its conference here this week that will be pressed upon Congress and the legislatures of the several States with all the force that the new party can organize behind it.

DONNELLY HITS AT WASTE IN PRINTING PUBLIC DOCUMENTS

Uncle Sam's Printer Recommends Limit Be Fixed by Legislation.

Conserving what is apparently political use of his office and present methods is a waste of energies and materials at the Government Printing Office, Public Printer Samuel B. Donnelly, in his annual report, just made public, makes a pointed issue of surplus Congressional printing.

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WINS 'HELLO' GIRL IN PHONE COURTSHIP

Rich Mining Man of Mexico to Wed New York Operator in Washington.

SLAPS CHAUFFEUR; SAVES FIFTY CENTS

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ST. NICHOLAS GIRL CHEERED BY PUBLIC AID

Washingtonians Responding to Appeals for Gifts to Make Tots Happy.

THOUSANDS TO BE MADE MOST HAPPY

Letters of Children Are Appealing to Those Who Are Ready to Donate to Cause.

The number of people who are enrolling themselves on the list of Good Fellows to assist the St. Nicholas Girl of The Washington Times in giving Christmas cheer to ten thousand little unfortunate children this Christmas, is growing every day. Yesterday several hundred of them bought tickets for "The Old Homestead" for Monday and Tuesday evenings, thus boosting the Christmas fund along.

GIRL IS PATRON

The first patron of the St. Nicholas Girl's benefit matinee was a little girl who walked up to the box office of the Columbia Theater on Friday afternoon and laid her \$2 down quite like a grown-up person.

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LEROIY BAKER—BURGLAR

This Eighteen-year-old Raffles Tells His Own Story of His Thefts in Washington.



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FAILED TO FIND WORK IN CAPITAL

"In the first place, I never broke into any place. I am not that kind. If my front door was not unlocked, I couldn't get in. I thought it would be easy to get a job and earn a living. But Washington is not a good place for a boy to find a job.

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TWENTY-EIGHT RESCUED FROM HELPLESS SHIP

Three Women in Panic When Steamer Atlanta Is Crippled in Fog.

DISABLED CRAFT IS TOWED TO ANNAPOLIS

Passengers on Vessel Drift All Night Before Saved by Passing Ship.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 8.—After drifting about the bay during the night and early morning on a helpless ship without lights and hidden in the fog from other vessels, twenty-eight passengers were rescued from the disabled steamer Atlanta, of the Eastern Shore Development and Steamship Company before dawn this morning and brought to Baltimore by the Old Bay line steamer Virginia.

The passengers, including three women, were transferred to the Virginia by means of a small boat and the crew of the Atlanta remained with the vessel which, at a late hour today, had not been towed to any bay port.

BANKERS RESCUED

Among the passengers rescued were Mrs. Albert W. Sick, wife of the banker and owner of Preston, Md.; Mr. and Mrs. Dowling, of Chicago, and a civil engineer of the same city, and Francis A. White, head of the Maryland bureau of statistics.

VESSEL LEFT HELPLESS

The accident was due to a leakage of boilers, and the long, anxious wait of the passengers—first early in the evening until 4:30 this morning—was made more perilous because of the fact that the stoppage of power cut off all lights on the disabled vessel, leaving her drifting in the path of bay boats in the foggy darkness.

WOMEN IN PANIC

A commotion on deck caused a panic among the women aboard, and one became hysterical. Male passengers fled, and the women's officers spread the word that a slight accident had happened to one of the boilers, which would be repaired within a few minutes.

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HOGAN DECLARES JORDAN DID NOT AID PROGRESSIVES

Sees McCombs as Matter of Justice, and Presents Facts in Case in Their Proper Light.

CHAIRMAN IS STANDING PAT ON INAUGURAL APPOINTMENT

Chairman William F. McCombs, of the Democratic National Committee, is standing pat today on the selection of a chairman and other officials for the Inauguration Committee. He has promised to make an announcement of his choices through District Committeeman John F. Costello, but Mr. Costello today would give no intimation of what these will be, and remarked that it would be safe to say that the announcement will not come until tomorrow.

POLICE SEEK TRACE OF MISSING YOUTH RECENTLY ARRIVED

Nephew of Pastor Disappears After Coming Here to Accept Clerkship.

Forrest Willard, of Northfield, Mass., who arrived in Washington Thursday to spend the winter with his uncle, the Rev. Arthur W. Spooner, of the Sixth Presbyterian Church, has disappeared.

The police of Washington and several private detectives are looking for him, but nothing has been heard from him. Willard, who is just twenty years old and of exemplary habits, had been a teacher in Westfield, Vt., but accepted a position with the Southern Railway here last week. He arrived here Thursday and was supposed to go to work at once, but he has not been seen since he arrived at Dr. Spooner's home for dinner last night.

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WEATHER REPORT. FORECAST FOR THE DISTRICT. Unsettled and colder tonight, Monday fair and much colder.

TEMPERATURES. U. S. BUREAU OF WEATHER. 8 a. m. ... 31, 9 a. m. ... 32, 10 a. m. ... 33, 11 a. m. ... 34, 12 noon ... 35, 1 p. m. ... 36, 2 p. m. ... 37, 3 p. m. ... 38.

SUN TABLE. Sun rises: 7:30 AM sets: 4:28 PM. TIDE TABLE. Today—High tide, 1:02 a. m., and 1:30 p. m.; low tide, 7:57 a. m., and 8:19 p. m. Tomorrow—High tide, 1:45 a. m., and 2:15 p. m.; low tide, 8:45 a. m., and 9:25 p. m.

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BIDDEFORD, Me., Dec. 8.—Ruthie, who had been surrounded by big ice timbers, Nelsby managed to get into the barn and cut away part of the floor. They pulled Briggs out and upon crawling under the building, she found that she had time to save his poultry.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 8.—John W. Garrett, the American minister to the Argentine Republic, and family, have left for the United States. The minister will return in March.