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TELLER TO LEAD THE DELEGATION.

Colorado Republicans Meet in Convention at Pueblo.

FIGHT OF THE FACTIONS

Contest for a Seat at St. Louis.

WRANGLE OVER THE POLICY.

Resolutions Strongly Favor the Free Coinage of Silver and Protection to Industries.

PUEBLO, Colo., May 14 .- The Republican State Convention was called to order this afternoon by Chairman Howbert. Dr. John Grass of Trinidad was selected temporary chairman, and after a credentials committee was appointed a recess was taken. The defeated minority of the Arapahoe County Convention appeared before this committee to appeal for representation in certain districts. Arguments were made on both sides. It was openly stated that should the convention decide to unseat any of the delegates by favoring the minority appeal the entire Arapahoe delegation will withdraw from the conven-

A telegram from Senator Wolcott was read announcing his desire to withdraw from the contest for a seat in the National Convention at St. Louis as delegate from Colorado in the interest of harmony and the cause of bimetalism. The friends of Wolcott are now confining their efforts to preventing a vote of censure. It is not believed that this will be done; neither will the delegates be instructed to boit.

The report of the Committee on Credentials was submitted at 9:30 o'clock. It decided against the appeal of the McMurray faction of Denver for representation. No further fight was waged and the convention was ready for work.

The delegates were not inclined to allow business to proceed until resolutions defining the policy of the Colorado Republicans were adopted and a long wrangle en-

Speeches in plenty were heard and they kept the delegates in a measure pacified until nearly midnight when the committee on resolutions reported. There was a hot fight in committee on account of the expeoted clash between the Wolcott and Teller factions.

It was finally decided to let Senator Henry M. Teller head the Colorado delegation. This was reported to the convention and his nomination was made unan-

Instructions to cast the Colorado vote

according to his views were also passed. trade and the gold standard were roundly | tion prior to 1873.

At 1:45 A. M. the convention adjourned sine die, after electing Senator Teller, J. W. J. H. Berkey of Monroe; Lieutenant-Gov. Rockafellow, James Downing and Frank Goudy delegates at large to the St. Louis

The convention of Republican delegates in the Second Congressional District to-day selected Charles Brickenstein of tion, Professor W. L. Morrison of Neills-Conejos and C. J. Hart of Pueblo as delegates to the St. Louis convention upon a Broadwell of Sparta; Railroad Commisplatform which instructed them to abide by Senator Teller's judgment in all matters. A resolution instructing the delegates not to bolt failed to pass.

State Chairman Irving Howbert has re-

signed. Who his successor will be is as yet problematical.

NO FUSION WITHOUT SILVER. All the North Carolina Populists Will

Not Join the Republicans. RALEIGH, N. C., May 14.—The Republican State Convention did not meet until nearly 1 o'clock this afternoon. A committee on credentials was appointed and the convention adjourned in thirty min-It did not reassemble until 8 o'clock this evening, so numerous were the contested seats. It is believed that the convention will not adjourn until late to-

morrow night.
It is asserted that Senator Pritchard will head the delegates-at-large to the National Convention. The greatest interest is manifested in the nomination of a candidate for Governor. Five names-Oliver H. Dockery, Daniel L. Russell, James E. Boyd, James W. Moody and V. S. Lusk-will be placed before the convention. Lusk is to be permanent chairman of the convention.

The offices of Lieutenant-Governor, Treasurer and Secretary of State are to be left open to be filled by the Populists when they hold their State convention, or if this convention declines to fill them, the bolting Populists, who are now affiliating with Republicans, will do so. There was a meeting of these bolters with the Republican conference committee to-day and they relinquished their demand that they should be allowed to name the candidate for Governor. Spier Whitaker was chairman of their committee and he withdrew as soon as this backdown occurred. He says the Populists in the eastern part of the State, save those in Vance County, follow him fully end indorse his course. It is quite clear that the mass of the Populists are backing Senator Buckler in the deciaration that there shall be no fusion or co-operation with the Republicans unless the latter pledge themselves to vote for only free silver men.

There was no regular session of the convention to-night. Two hours were devoted to speech-making, and anv mention of Mc-Kinley was loudly applauded.

WEST FIRGINIA REPUBLICANS. They Declare for a Sound Money Policy and McKinley. CLARKSBURG, W. Va., May 14.-The

vention: Hon. O. W. Hardman of Tyler, Hon. F. M. Reynolds of Mineral County, Major J. E. Dana of Charleston and Hon. A. B. White of Parkersburg. They were

instructed for McKinley.

The convention was one of the largest ind most harmonious ever held in the State. Thomas E. Davis was named as temporary chairman. The usual committees were appointed, and at 12 o'clock the convention adjourned until 2 o'clock.

When the convention reconvened the committee on permanent organization reported State Senator Morrey of Riche County, chairman, and Phillip H. Waters (colored) of Kanawha, secretary.

The report of the committee on resolu-

tions was read. It denounces the unnecessary issue of Government bonds in time of peace; demands a sound money policy which shall maintain an equality of the purchasing power of every dollar of American money; indorses protection to Ameri-Wolcott Withdraws From the can industries as taught and maintained for thirty years by the Republican party and instructs for McKinley as follows:

"We declare that our choice for President of the United States is that pure patriot, that gallant soldier, the foremost champion of protection, that thoroughbred American, our friend and neighbor, William McKinley of the United States of America. And the delegates chosen by this convention are hereby directed to vote for Major McKinley in the Republican National Convention and to use all other honorable efforts to secure his nomina-

DELEGATE MAGEE TALKS. Defends the Sound Money Policy of Major McKinley.

PITTSBURG, PA., May 15.—C. L. Magee, who is a delegate to the Republican National Convention from the Pittsburg district, returned to-day from New York, where he has been several days looking over the political situation. Asked about tne talk being indulged in at the metropo-lis concerning McKinley's attitude on the currency question, Mr. Magee said:

"The anxiety displayed by Messrs. Quay and Platt as to Major McKinley's position on the money question is rather amusing, considering that whatever record Major McKinley has made on that question was made in Congress previous to 1892; yet in that same year—1892—McKinley's money ecord was so good that Mr. Quay cast his vote for him for President in the Republican National Convention.

"McKinley's record on the money ques tion is as sound as Sherman's, and nobody questions Sherman's. Another point, together with Benjamin Harrison has an ideal sound should in no money record. Yet this did not prevent of any party. Mr. Quay, Mr. Platt and the other conspirators of their school from attempting to defeat the nomination of Harrison in 1892, just as they are now seeking to defeat the nomination of McKinley.

"Their efforts were not effective then and will not be this year. There is not the slightest danger that McKinley as President will be different from McKinley as Congressman or McKinley as Governor of Ohio, in both of which positions he has been the soundest kind of a sound money man. To question McKinley's soundness on money is as absurd as to question his soundness on the tariff."

PROHIBITIONISTS FAVOR SILVER.

Planks in the Platform of the Wisconsin Convention. Prohibitionist State Convention, after a long fight over the silver plank, adopted a platform with four planks as follows: monetary system, but we also believe that Straight prohibition, declaring suffrage silver and National notes should be used platform with four planks as follows: should depend on intelligence rather than The resolutions were strongly in favor sex, against appropriations of public equal to the value of gold in payment of of free coinage of silver at 16 to 1 and pro- money for sectarian purposes and de- all obligations, National as well as private tection to American industries. Free manding that silver be restored to its posi- debts included."

> inated by acclamation: Governor, Major ernor, Rev. R. Leaton of Kacine; Secretary of State, E. B. Knowlton of Manston; Treasurer, Lorenzo Crandall of Hudson; Attorney-General, A. E. Didon of Ash land; Superintendent of Public Instrucville; Insurance Commissioner, B. E. sioner, Dr. A. Christianson of Washburne. The vote on the silver plank was a tie and Chairman Seventhal carried it by vot-

ing in the affirmative. The Congressional District Convention nominated as follows: First District, E. W. White of Evansville; Second, Jesse Meyers of Verona, Dane County; Seventh, John Mosley of Tomah; Eighth, John Evans of Waupaca; Tenth, P. A. Oscar of

SEATS FOR CORRESPONDENTS. Distribution of Space for the St. Louis

ST. LOUIS, Mo., May 14.—The press committee of the Business Men's League held a conference to-day with Sergeant-at-Arms T. E. Byrnes with reference to the distribution of press tickets for the Re-publican National Convention. It was arranged that the committee should take charge of all applications for seats including those already received by the sergeant-All applications will be tabuat-arms. lated and the most equitable distribution possible of the 418 seats will be made by the committee and by them submitted to Mr. Byrnes for his approval. All papers not having applied to either the sergeantat-arms or Chairman D. M. Houser of the press committee must make application immediately to the latter. In order to facilitate the location of the seats and the distribution of tickets it was decided to application for seats after

CATSPAW FOR NO PARTY. President Traynor States the Stand of the

A. P. A. WASHINGTO, N D. C., May 14.—It is as serted to-night that since the convention here of the A.P. A. the Ohio delegates telegraphed to Mr. Hanna a dispatch, the nature of which was to prevent Mr. Grosve nor from making any further utterances detrimental to Judge Stevens, and that the reply to the telegram was of a character roughly satisfactory to the friends of McKinley in the association.

The address of President Traynor, which was made public to-night, says that the A. P. A. has passed the probationary milestone of its existence, and to-day is a recognized factor in American politics whose favor is openly courted by political leaders, organizers and aspirants for public office who a year ago ignored, treated with contempt and denounced it.

The address does not savor of much regard for eleventh hour converts and much stress is given to similar points questionfollowing delegates to St. Louis were toing the honesty of parties in efforts to con . day elected by the Republican State Con- trol the A. P. A. vote and organization,



Uncle Sam: "Just wait till I hitch this horse on there."

together with warnings that the order GOMEZ CONCENTRATING should in no event be made the catspaw

The address says "Any aspirant for Presidential honors in any section by any party who desires the united suffrages of our order must freely indorse its principles and over his own signature promise to maintain and uphold them to the best of his ability.'

FOR GOLD AND SUFFRAGE. Two Planks in the Delaware Prohibi-

DOVER, DELA., May 14.—Delaware Pro-hibitionists held their State Convention here to-day and named delegates to the National Convention of the party at Pittsburg, on May 27. They adopted a plat-form in which they say, "We advocate the entire elimination of the tariff question from partisan politics and its reference to Prohibitionist State Convention, after progressive nations, we believe that gold should be the standard of value for our as mediums of exchange and recognized as

The platform also makes the usu The following State ticket was nom- laration of prohibition principles and believes in equal right of suffrage.

Grosvenor Is Confident. WASHINGTON, May 14.—Representa-tive Grosvenor, McKinley's campaign

manager in Washington, says that Mc-Kinley will be nominated on the first ballot by a majority of at least 200, despite all that Platt of New York can do. Platt is actuated by spite, says Grosvenor, and by holding the New York delegation to its pledge for Morton is practically disfranchising the delegates, as Morton has no chance of nomination.

THE REBEL TROOPS.

With Twenty Thousand Men the Leader Will March On Havana.

HOT FIGHTING IS EXPECTED.

Correspondents Gather Evidence to Show That Spaniards Violate Rules of Warfare.

HAVANA, CUBA, May 14 .- It is said that Maximo Gomez, commander-in-chief tration of the rebel forces. On Saturday Carillo Serafino Sanchez and other leaders on the Campania ranch, near San Juan de la Yueras. The combined forces are said to have then numbered about 10,000 men It is believed that they have started to march into the province of Havana, and that they have been joined by other forces on the way, the whole body now numbering over 20,000 men. It is expected that they will reach the vicinity of Havana about the end of the month, when hot fighting is likely to take place.

It is announced on authority that the two Americans captured in Pinar del Rio Competitor will not be tried by courtmartial. General Weyler ordered an investigation into their case prior to receiving any representations from Consul-General Williams. Captain-General Weyler has issued in-

structions in reference to his recent adict calling upon all peasants to seek refuge in the towns. General Weyler is reported as saying that the concentration of peasants in the towns is not obligatory, but merely for the benefit of the inhabitants themselves. He also says that he is willing to employ in the army all who shall surren-der voluntarily. He will be an energetic enemy, he says, but generous to those who have repented.

PROHIBITED BY TREATY.

But Spaniards Use Brass and Copper Tipped Bullets. NEW YORK, N. Y., May 14.—It is said that J. C. Creelman and Frederick W. Lawrence, who have been representing New York newspapers in Cuba, have in their possession brass and copper tipped bullets which, it is alleged, the Spaniards have been using in Cuba against the Cubans. The use of such missiles is said of the insurgents, has ordered a concen- to be prohibited by the Geneva treaty, and Creelman, it is declared, will take will be laid before the United States Gov-

> CORRESPONDENTS RETURN. Arrival of Creelman, Lawrence and Biddle, Who Were Expelled.

QUARANTINE, STATEN ISLAND, May Captain Hoffman, arrived this morning from Mexico and Havana, bringing fiftyacclimatization.

as alleged fugitives from the filibuster Lawrence and Biddle, Cuban war corre- institution.

spondents for New York City papers, who were ordered to leave Havana by General Weyler. The correspondents were most anxious to proceed with the steamer to the city, but the Health Officer was unable to allow them to go. They were sent to the Hotel Hoffman in the lower bay. They will be released at 4 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

MUST MAKE AN EXAMPLE. Otherwise Weyler Would Pardon the Makes an Average of 16.78

NEW YORK, N. Y., May 14.—A special cable to the Herald from Havana says: The Marquis de Palmerol, Secretary-Gen eral of the Government of the island, gave this authorized statement in the palace yesterday:

"Captain-General Weyler has no prejudice whatever against American citizens as such, and if it were not absolutely necessary to put a stop to filibustering expeditions he would take real pleasure in pardoning the condemned prisoners from the Competitor, foreigners as well as Spaniards; but as it is necessary to make an example of them he must perform his

To Denounce the Treaties.

LONDON, Eng., May 14 .- A dispatch to the Central News from Madrid says that the question of denouncing the treaties between Spain and the United States will shortly be introduced in the Cortes.

AFRAID OF ASSASSINATION.

So the Sultan Causes the Arrest and Torture of Armenians. BERLIN, GERMANY, May 14.-The Vossische Zeitung publishes a dispatch from Constantinople which says that owing to the Sultan's fear that he will be assassinated as was the Shah of Persia, 200 Armenians have been arrested in the city during the last few days. It is creditably stated that the prisoners have been cruelly

The Convicted Reformers.

LONDON, ENG., May 14.—It is reported from Pretoria, on good authority, that the Johannesburg reform committee prisoners, who are now held in custody in Pretoria pending the decision of the authorities as to punishment, will, with the exception of the leaders, be fined and released next week. The leaders, it is said, will be sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

OVERPOWER THE CASHIER,

Silent Robbers Make a Big Haul at an Illinois Town Bank.

Not a Word Spoken by the Two Men Who Secure Eleven Thousand Dollars.

DECATUR, ILL., May 14.—The Buffalo Bank at Buffalo, twenty miles west of here, was robbed of \$11,000 in cash at the firemen to whom the news was com-noon to-day by two strangers, of whom municated were spurred on to fresh exnoon to-day by two strangers, of whom the cashier has been able to furnish only an imperfect clew. At that hour Cashier Huffbarger was alone in the bank and there was no one in the immediate vicinity on the streets. The two men entered briskly as if on business, and one stepped up to the cashier's window while the other walked toward the end of the counter.

The cashier arose to wait on the supthe counter. He was seized by the throat without a word and in an instant the other robber had got behind the counter and the battle-ship was logging sevente grabbed him from behind.

money on the counter was shoved into a all the currency taken from it.

The cashier had been rolled under the counter and was discovered there half an open." He knew and the navy officers 14.—The Ward line steamer Seguranca, hour later by a customer of the bank. No Captain Hoffman, arrived this morning one had seen the thieves enter or leave the bank and it is not known positively how they got out of the town, but the supthree cabin passengers. Eighteen passen-gers were unable to produce certificates of position is that they drove to Decatur. There was not a word spoken during the Among them were Messrs. Creelman, entire transaction. The bank is a private

FAST TRIAL TRIP OF THE OREGON,

Knots, the World's Record.

QUEEN OF BATTLESHIPS.

Wonderful Time Recorded During Some Portions of the Sixty-Mile Course.

17.08 IS THE HIGHEST NOTCH.

Builders of the Great War Vessel Are Assured a Magnificent Bonus.

SANTA BARBARA, CAL., May 14.— After months of patient toll, after weeks spent in preparations, after trial trips on the bay and speed trips in the Santa Barbara Channel the Oregon repaid her builders by doing all they asked of her. She made an average speed of 16.78 knots, the world's record, and the people of Santa Barbara are climbing over each other in their efforts to congratulate Irving M. Scott.

The weather was perfect. The swell

raised by Monday's storm was laid by last night's norther and there was scarcely a ripple on the channel. At 6:15 A. M. the big battle-ship got under way and headed for Point Goleta. The Unadilla was already in position and the manner in which she acted showed that the swell was not heavy. Captain C. Miner Goodall was satisfied with the condition of affairs and so informed Mr. Scott. The or-ders were then given and the battle-ship swung around and headed for a point off Carpinteria, where a small stakeboat had been anchored in line with the starting point. Once headed for the Unadilla the engines were gradually opened up and passing the Santa Barbara. wharf the Oregon was going like a deerhound and taking tons of water over her bow at every jump. More and more way she gathered and passing the scratch line, she was beating 16½ knots. Between the Unadilla and the Gedney there was a tenmile course and in covering that the big battle-snip increased instead of diminished her speed. At times the patent log showed a speed better than 17 knots and

Passing the Gedney, half a dozen people took the time, and on sped the Oregon toward the Albatross, the next stakeboat. Irving M. Scott was restless and paced the deck. Admiral Beardslee was anxious and seemed to take as much interest in the test as the builder. He is proud of the Oregon and wants to see her at the top of posed customer and partially leaned over her class. General Graham, Dr. Chismore and Messrs. Small and Tucker were interested spectators, and when they heard that knots they were exultant, but Scott The cashier was then bound hand and checked them by saying, "That is only foot and a gag thrust in his mouth. The the first leg. Wait, the pinch comes later on." It was thus he referred to the fact gripsack and the vault was entered and that during a sixty-mile run it is an utter impossibility to keep a uniform pressure on the boilers when the engines are "wide

knew and Captain C. Miner Goodall

knew that at times the speed of the Oregon

Captain Goodall seemed to be the only disinterested party on the ship. He attended strictly to his duties and barring an occasional look at the "telltale" that gave him an idea he attended strictly to watching the course. He steered the battle-ship closer to the kelp than ever he steered any of the cruisers and so escaped some of the remaining swell. On sped the Oregon and only ten miles of the first part of the course remained to be covered. The speed to a landsman did not seem to have diminished in the slightest, but the ensigns who were keeping time became a little serious and there was a general air of expectancy. Down in the fireroom the firemen worked like beavers. They were stripped to the waist and water poured down their backs and chests, making small rivulets along the grime that settled on them from the coaldust.

With one big burst of speed the Oregon passed the McArthur on the western range near Point Concepcion. While the long turn was being made at full speed the run was worked out, and when 17.08 knots an hour was announced the scene on the deck of the battle-ship was almost indescribable. Admiral Beardslee, Captain Cotton and all the other officers and the guests congratulated Mr. Scott. When Chief Engineer Forsythe conveyed the news into the fireroom the men did not even turn their heads, but they took an extra pull on their belts and went on shoveling coal

From Gaviota Point to Point Conception

the swell had been heavy, but when the Oregon was headed for the McArthur the second time it was at once seen that both wind and swell had increased. The battleship rushed through it, however, and in consequence sea after sea broke over her bows. The turrets in which the big guns are placed were under water twice, but the good ship never swerved from her course an inch, and although the throttles were wide open the firemen nevertheless managed to keep steam from escaping from the safety-valves. It was a hard baltle to Gaviota Point, and had it not been for that ten-mile stretch, the Oregon would surely have beaten seventeen knots. From that point to where the Unadilla was stationed the work was easy, but when the result was figured out it was found that the battle-ship had only averaged 16.49

When the final result of an average of 16.78 knots was announced, however, and the trial was over, the firemen lost their self-control and a cheer went up that was plainly heard on the upper deck above the rush of the ship and the roar of the machinery. Almost before Irving M. Scott and Admiral Beardslee were aware of the

Scene of the Sixty-Mile Course Along Which the Oregon Established a World's Record for Battle-Ships.

