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CONSERVATIVES CONTROL IN ST. LOUIS CONVENTION

Platform Will Deal With Irrigation, Statehood for Territories and Election of Senators by Direct Vote.

Indications of Abandonment of the Monetary Planks of 1896 and 1900—Will Denounce Imperialism and the Trust Fostering Tariff System of the Republican Party—Tremendous Enthusiasm at the Sight of Bryan—The Parker Hurrah is Machine-Made and Comes Slow and Hard.

St. Louis, July 7.—Under a great arched canopy of yellow cloth, ribbed and fringed in white, the democratic hosts assembled in national convention today. The big Coliseum hall never held so large a crowd animated by a single purpose. The weather outside was sultry and gloomy and the light which penetrated the hall from the windows was insufficient to dispel the darkness.

A few brilliant electric globes, however, helped the struggling daylight and illuminated the gay colors of the decorations, which, though simple, were effective. There was no attempt to mass them in any one central point and no pictures were displayed.

In the lobby which the seating of state delegations was determined, it happened that some of the largest were most fortunately placed. New York, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Michigan are immediately in front of the speakers' stand. Alabama, New Jersey, Illinois and Indiana are to the right and back. Ohio, Kentucky, Maryland, Texas and Minnesota occupy the center of the hall. Virginia, Louisiana, Massachusetts, the District of Columbia, Carolina and the territories bringing up the rear. Virginia, Colorado, Idaho and Tennessee delegates were among the first to appear. Chairman Jones arrived at 11:40, simultaneously with the turning on of all the electric lights in the hall.

Jones' presence was not noticed. Even the arrival of Senator Dubois of Idaho, and ex-Senator Pettigrew of South Dakota, who walked down the center of the hall together, failed to attract any attention. When the Texas delegates marched double file down bearing the lone star flag, the crowd howled delightedly, which broke the ice and the other delegates were sporadic bursts of applause as distinguished men or delegations arrived.

Convention Called to Order. St. Louis, July 7.—The convention was called to order at 10:12. Archbishop John J. Glennon of St. Louis, opened the proceedings with a prayer.

Thomas F. Grady, chairman of the committee on rules and order of business read its report.

Delegates From Porto Rico. The announcement that the committee on credentials had given the delegates from Porto Rico votes in the convention, was received with cheers.

Clark denounced the cringing demagogues on the other hand who said the president should be supported in his Philippine policy even if it was wrong. He denied it, classing him as an opportunist, waiting for a chance to turn up. In the meantime our soldiers are being killed and are dying of disease in thousands. A president cannot be better pleased without the democratic party could not find worse political company than this year.

Clark denied emphatically the charge that the democratic party was in favor of free trade. "Individual democrats there are who are free traders, just as there are individual republicans who are abolitionists."

Where tariff rates are so high they enable American manufacturers to sell their wares abroad cheaper than they do to Americans here at home, they ought to be reduced. "If this be anarchy or treason, make the most of it."

Will some stand-patter explain why Americans should be made to pay one-third more for American steel rails than do the citizens of other nations?

He claimed that the panic of 1893 was clearly a made-made panic. Turning to American shipping, he said that "When the American goes abroad he must sail under a foreign flag. Why? Because our present exorbitant tariff made it impossible for Americans to build ships in competition with the British. Yet the republican party has the infinite gall to prate about its patriotism."

Whacking away at trusts, Clark said that under republican rule trusts have sprung up like mushrooms. A straw that indicated the trusts have nothing to fear from republican trust busters, was the appointment of Knox to succeed Quay. Another straw is the recent report that Wall street opinion has undergone a change of opinion toward Roosevelt. Has the president changed his views or have the trust magnates changed theirs?

Platform Will Be Conservative. St. Louis, July 7.—The platform makers are ready to meet the morning of the sub-committee on resolutions went to work again. It is their expectation to be able to present the platform to the full committee this afternoon and to procure its speedy adoption and give it to the convention today, even though it be necessary to have a night session for that purpose.

The platform will be strictly "conservative," without any reaffirmation of any of its predecessors.

WOULD RECOVER HEPPER FUND

Carnival Committee of the Metropolis Now Objects to Flood Relief.

PORTLAND MERCHANTS DIS-SATISFIED WITH DONATION.

Carnival Committee May Try to Recover From the 1903 Fourth of July Committee the Amount of Celebration Funds Donated to Hepper Relief—Merchants Claim They Received No Benefit From Last Year's Contribution and It Should Be Applied to This Year's Celebration.

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Japanese Repel an Assault. London, July 7.—The Central News reports a fight between the Russians under Khabalsky and a force of Japanese near Lanyasian. The Russians made a sudden attack in the darkness, during a heavy rain, on the Japanese outposts. The Japanese casualties are reported to be 100.

Report of Fight Confirmed. St. Petersburg, July 7.—A dispatch this evening confirms the report of a fight between Russians under Keller and a force of Japanese. The Russian losses were 100 killed and 17 officers, and 273 men wounded. The Japanese losses were 100 killed and 17 officers, and 273 men wounded.

ONE DEAD; 82 INJURED. Celebration at Chicago Keeps Police Busy—100 Arrests.

Chicago, July 7.—Chicago's fatalities as a result of the celebration numbered one dead, and 82 injured. Figures a year ago were 22 dead, and 117 injured. Throughout the city the fire losses were generally smaller than in former years. The Japs lost in all parts of the city made nearly 100 arrests during the day.

BRINGS ALASKAN GOLD. Steamer Roanoke Reaches Seattle With \$250,000 on Board.

Seattle, July 6.—The White Star Steamship Company's steamer Roanoke arrived in port from Nome and St. Michaels early this morning, with \$250,000 in gold dust, consigned by a foreign power, and other property.

Sold Laborers Plans. Rome, July 6.—Popolo Romano reports the arrest at Messina of Captain Erueno and wife, charged with selling the plans of the Italian fortification for a foreign power.

Socialist Labor Nominations. New York, July 6.—The socialist labor party in convention here today nominated Charles H. Cigan, a printer, of Syracuse, for president, and William M. Cox, a coal miner of Illinois, for vice president.

ATTEMPTED OUTRAGE. Aged Man Assaults Young Girl at Walla Walla.

Walla Walla, July 7.—Samuel Mapes, whose partially stooped figure and iron gray hairs betoken an age of between 50 and 60, is held in the county jail on a charge of attempting to assault Rosa Valle, a slightly delinquent girl of 15, at her home, 506 Alder street.

The Philological Society. Ithaca, N. Y., July 7.—The American Philological Association is in annual session here under the auspices of Cornell University.

PENDLETON HAD HEAVY RAINS

Damage by the Shower of Sunday Not So Great as Reported.

STREETS ON HILL ARE SADLY WASHED OUT.

Jos Lindsay Loses \$100 Worth of Property by a Flood That Came Down College Street—Todd House is Undermined by Water—Cellars are Filled on North Side—Silt is Spread Over Lawns and Many Minor Freaks Performed—Country Roads are Badly Damaged in Places.

Proportioned to the amount of rain which fell, the force of the unexpected wind and the general scare, so little real damage was done by the storm of Sunday that the contrast with the reports sent out is almost ludicrous.

The principal damage done to the sewer system is in washing out the exposed places, especially fills which were made so recently that the soil had not time to become packed and firm. The system had no trouble in carrying off the extraordinary volume of water—said by Observer Johnson to be 100 feet high, which fell in 30 minutes. The sewers certainly flushed, though it was scarcely needed.

Aside from the washes spoken of, and which necessitates several days' work by men and teams to properly refill them, there were a dozen or more places in different parts of town where the trenches over the sewerage which was made last year caved in badly. In most places this was due to not digging deep enough from the surface in the places where the cave took place, but in digging under to save labor, leaving arched places which were filled in as soon as the sewer was in place. It was impossible to do this, in to in any degree pack down the dirt, which in the course of time settled, leaving spaces between the fill and the surface of the street above.

The most conspicuous of these caved in places, and also the most dangerous, was in the hillside where a dozen long, irregular crevices menace passers-by, and almost render the street impassable. After nightfall, entirely safe, in the daytime a team can only pass by being driven very carefully, and along the sides of the street.

Next came the Jackson property, now owned by F. W. Schmidt. The rush of boulders and trash did not reach his lot, but stopped on the porch of this lot, and there was a considerable damage to the property except to fill the cellar with water.

Adjoining the Schmidt property on the west is William Moore's residence (Continued on page four.)

THE POPULISTS NAME WATSON

GEORGIA EDITOR TO MAKE RACE FOR PRESIDENT.

Thomas H. Tibbles, of Nebraska, Vice President on the Populist Ticket—Names of Senator Allen and S. W. Williams Were Mentioned for Presidential Nomination—Watson Nominated by Acclamation.

GOLD ON THE ROSEBUD.

Alaskan Miner Seeks a Claim and Finds Gold Dust in the Soil. Bonesteel, S. D., July 6.—Simultaneously with the birth of St. Elmo on the Rosebud reservation, last evening, an Alaskan miner discovered gold in the black loam taken from wells.

Twenty-five Casualties in Portland.

Portland, July 6.—Twenty-five casualties have been so far reported from fireworks in this city, one case proving fatal. Ernest Vogt, aged 5 years, was killed by a pistol which he loaded with powder, in anticipation of the celebration.

THE NORGE SINKS IN MID OCEAN WITH 700 ON BOARD

Less Than 100 Survivors of the Scandinavian Steamer Are Rescued After Terrible Suffering.

Vessel Struck Lonely Reef of Rockall Island, 300 Miles West of Scotland.

White Going Ahead at Full Speed—Scenes on Board Began Description—Frantic Passengers Leap into Boats, Capsizing Them—Over 200 Children among the Passengers—Captain Goes Down With His Vessel—Boats Bearing Survivors Picked Up Two Days After Wreck by Fishing Trawler—Anniversary of La Bourgoyne Disaster Four Years Ago.

London, July 5.—Last Tuesday morning the Danish steamer Norge, bound for Copenhagen June 22 for New York, with nearly 800 emigrants aboard, struck on the Isle of Rockall, about 200 miles off the west coast of Scotland, and all on board except 27 are thought to have drowned.

Heavy weather caused the Norge to run off her course. When the vessel struck the reef, the emigrants were below waiting breakfast. The vessel was quickly backed off the rock but the heavy seas rushed in through a big vent in her bow, causing the passengers to make a rush for the deck above. The hatchways were small and soon became clogged with human beings.

Boats Are Capsized. The vessel began to go down almost immediately and eight boats were quickly lowered into which women and children were put. Out of these eight boats six were caught by the heavy seas, dashed against the side of the sinking vessel, and their inmates caught up and swept away.

Many emigrants on board the sinking ship grabbed life belts and threw themselves overboard and were drowned. Only three boats got safely away from the Norge. The survivors of the Capitan Gudred stood until the last of the bridge of the sinking vessel and went down with the ship.

Second Boat Heard From. Owing to the Norge sinking so suddenly more than 600 emigrants were in the water. The survivors, as could swim tried to reach the boats, but these were dreadfully crowded to the point of danger, their inmates pushing and struggling, wretches back into the sea. Practically all of the occupants of the three boats that got safely away from the sinking ship were passengers and unaccustomed to handling a boat. One of these three boats landed.

More Rescued. A dispatch from Lloyd's signal station at Butt of Lewis, Scotland, this morning states that the German trawler Emig, which passed there this morning, signalled that she had aboard some castaways from the Danish steamer Norge. The survivors are probably those who got away in the second boat that was separated from that picked up by the trawler Emig. While sailing this second boat will reduce the list of the missing. There is little doubt but that fully 700 went down with the Norge. There is no trace of the third boat yet.

Twenty-five More Survivors. Dispatches to Lloyd's from Stormo way says that the steamer Cervna has landed 22 survivors of the Norge near there, while the harbor steamer Emig is off the German with 23 others. The Cervna returned to the scene of the disaster. The survivors at Stormo way state that four boats got away from the sinking ship and that nearly 200 children were aboard.

Worst on Record. Shipping circles agree that the disaster from a point of loss of life is the worst in the history of transatlantic travel—693 passengers and a crew of 100 being aboard. Of these less than 100 are known to have been saved. In nationality the passengers were:

Seventeen ill-fated People Picked Up at Sea After Terrible Suffering. Aberdeen, Scotland, July 6.—Another boatload of 17 survivors of the ill-fated Danish steamer Norge was landed here last night by the steam trawler Largo Bay.

Six hundred and twenty-seven persons are missing, it is reported. The continent now being cared for. Aberdeen consists of 12 passengers, the third mate of the Norge, the quartermaster, the steward, a lamp trimmer and one of the crew.

They drifted at the mercy of the Atlantic for nearly six days. When their water and food was gone and when the survivors were almost too exhausted to hope, a boat hoove in sight.

This was on July 4, when the boat was about 10 miles off St. Kilda. These rescued had eked out their existence on two biscuits per day.

KILLS WIFE ON THE STREET. St. Louis, July 6.—Edgar Lee Evans, aged 23, today cut the throat of his wife, Antoinette, and slashed his own throat, and tried to kill a street. The woman is dead and Evans is in a hospital, dangerously wounded. They had just returned from San Francisco. Mrs. Evans wore a gorgeous gown and profuse jewelry. Domestic troubles are said to have caused the deed.

H. W. SCOTT TIRES OF DUTIES. Declines to Be Re-elected Member of the Lewis and Clark Fair Board.