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GIVE BRYAN A TOTAL VOTE OF 1,002 FIRST TIME

AN EXHAUSTIVE REPORT OF FINE POLITICAL POINTS.

Johnson and Gray Booms for the Presidency Are Dying Out and Nothing Can Revive Them—Bryan's Boom the Healthiest Thing in Denver Today—Labor Drafting Planks to Go Into the Platform—Demands and Concessions May Differ Materially—Weather is Ideal and Not Too Warm.

(By Gilson Gardner, staff correspondent.)

Denver, July 7.—The curiously varied effects of the altitude of Denver on the human system has been duplicated with regard to the democratic presidential situation. To some persons the thin, dry air of Denver is stimulating, and to others it is depressing.

Bryan Boom Healthy.
The Bryan boom today is the healthiest thing in Denver. It was pretty good upon its arrival, and has been taking on strength ever since.

Gray's Boom Waning.
John Gray's boom, which is young, was vigorous when it started for the convention, but is now in a state of collapse. Not even the arrival of a trainload of Minnesota trained nurses is able to revive the waning spirits of the Johnsonites. The last pulse beats of Gray's boom were counted today. The Johnson and Gray managers continue to assert that the names of their candidates will be presented to the convention, though they have given up hope of preventing the nomination of Bryan.

Landslide for Bryan.
Indications today are that Bryan will receive 800 votes on the first ballot. It is a strong possibility that

when the roll call is ended and before they are officially announced, the states voting for Johnson and Gray will withdraw their ballots and cast them for Bryan, thus giving him the entire 1002 votes of the convention.

Weather is Ideal.
The weather on the morning of the initial 22nd quadrennial convention of the democratic party, is ideal. The sky is cloudless, the air cool and crisp—in pleasing contrast to the sweltering torridity of St. Louis four years ago.

A few little odds and ends had to be cleared up by the national committee before the convention was actually called to order.

Slight Hitch in Bryan Boom.
The work of the Bryan "piledriver" was somewhat interfered with by a couple of money wrenches thrown into its insides by the Illinois and Pennsylvania delegations. At 10 this morning the national committee held an adjourned meeting to dispose of the Pennsylvania and Idaho contests. The New York delegation met again at 10 this morning to receive reports from its own little sub-committee on the platform, of which Lewis Nixon, Bryan's friend, is chairman.

Labor Drafting Its Planks.
Meantime Gompers and associates of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, were putting the finishing touches on the planks which are desired by organized labor at the hands of the convention.

Vice-Presidency Up in the Air.
The vice-presidential nomination is still in the air and will probably remain there until the platform is out of the way.

Demands and Concessions.
Although Gompers is hopeful that he may come to satisfactory terms with the convention, there is at present considerable discrepancy between what the representatives of organized labor are demanding and what Bryan's managers are willing to concede. What Gompers and associates are asking is that no injunction shall be issued at all in cases of labor disputes.

What Gompers Asks.
The text of the Gompers resolution is:

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THE TWENTY-SECOND DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION IS NOW IN SESSION

TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN BELL LOOMS INTO NATIONAL RATHER THAN STATE RENOWN.

First Convention in the West Marked by Great Splendor—Minute Description of the Auditorium Which Seats 12,000 People—Adjourns Shortly After Noon in Tribute to Late Grover Cleveland—Wild Enthusiasm in the Monster Building When Taggart Rapped for Order.

Program in Brief.

- ♦ Denver, July 7.—Today's convention program follows:
- ♦ 9:30—Meeting of executive council of the American Federation of Labor.
- ♦ 10—Meeting of the national committee to decide on remaining contests.
- ♦ 10—Adjourned meeting of New York delegation to discuss platform.
- ♦ 11—Convention hall is opened with band concert.
- ♦ 12—Convention called to order by Chairman Taggart.
- ♦ Call for convention read by Secretary Woodson.
- ♦ Prayer by Archbishop Keane of Wyoming.
- ♦ Announcement of names of temporary officers.
- ♦ Keynote speech delivered by Temporary Chairman Theodore A. Bell of California.
- ♦ Announcement of names of committeemen from the various states.
- ♦ Introduction of resolutions of respect to the memory of ex-President Grover Cleveland.
- ♦ Adjournment until tomorrow.

Previous Nominations.

- Since 1856 the following democrats were nominated for president and vice-president at the places named:
- June 2, 1856—Charleston, Douglas and Johnson.
- June 18, 1860—Baltimore, Douglas and Johnson.

- ♦ June 11, 1860—Richmond, Breckenridge and Lane.
- ♦ June 8, 1860—Baltimore, Breckenridge and Lane.
- ♦ August 29, 1864—McClellan and Pendleton.
- ♦ July 4, 1868—New York, Seymour and Blair.
- ♦ July 6, 1872—Baltimore, Greeley and Brown.
- ♦ July 27, 1876—St. Louis, Tilden and Hendricks.
- ♦ July 22, 1880—Cincinnati, Hancock and English.
- ♦ July 8, 1884—Chicago, Cleveland and Hendricks.
- ♦ July 5, 1888—St. Louis, Cleveland and Thurman.
- ♦ June 21, 1892—Chicago, Cleveland and Stevenson.
- ♦ July 4, 1896—Chicago, Bryan and Sewell.
- ♦ July 4, 1900—Kansas City, Mo., Bryan and Stevenson.
- ♦ July 6, 1904—St. Louis, Parker and Davis.

The flood failed to stop Bell, the temporary chairman, after an all night ride, first on a handcar, later on a special train, he arrived here at 8 o'clock this morning and went to his hotel.

Johnson's Presentation Sure.
By a vote of 11 to 3 Connecticut delegation decided to yield to Minnesota when the roll is called for nominations for the presidency, in order that Representative Hammond of Minnesota may place in nomination Governor Johnson.

Enthusiasm Runs High.
When Taggart rapped for order the aisles were choked with delegates. The confusion increased when the Nebraska delegation marched down the aisle carrying a gold banner bearing Bryan's picture. While the sergeant-at-arms was trying to seat the delegates the Californians aped the Nebraskans by carrying Bryan's picture on a banner. Taggart became excited and declared that no more banners would be allowed. Taggart then spoke:

"I cannot refrain from calling your attention to the fact that this convention meets amid scenes of enthusiasm and determination. Victory shall crown our efforts, which have never before been equalled in a democratic convention. The party never faced brighter prospects. We are sure of a triumphant campaign."

Then followed the prayer by Archbishop Keane.

The Auditorium, Denver, Col., July 7.—The democracy of the east and west today joined hands within the shadow of the snow-clad Rockies to name candidates for president and vice-president, and to formulate a set of policies upon which to appeal to the voters of the nation.

A \$600,000 Auditorium.
For the first time in its history the party had recognized the claims of the far west in the selection of a meeting place. Denver, justly proud of the honor conferred upon her, had provided a brand new auditorium, the best equipped of its kind in America. The building cost the taxpayers of the city \$600,000. In addition, they subscribed to a fund of \$100,000 for the entertainment of the delegates and other visitors, who have been pouring into town by the thousands in the past three days.

Long before noon, the hour set for the initial session of the 22nd quadrennial democratic convention, the streets in the vicinity of the big, gold-domed building were jammed with people waiting for the doors to be thrown open. Trim, carefully-groomed easterners, clad in long coats, "plug" hats and derbies, knocked elbows with less punctiliously dressed representatives of the mountain and

Pacific coast states. The "Merry Widows" of the Denver women and the "Merry Cowboys" of the western delegates lent picturesqueness to the scene.

In order to prevent confusion about the entrances, the police had roped off all of the thoroughfares leading to the structure. Signs over the doorways indicated the direction which each holder of the much-prized cards of admission should take. Mayor Speer had assumed personal charge of the handling of the crowds outside, and a small army of policemen was detailed to preserve order, their work making the task of the ticket-takers comparatively easy.

Magnificent Decorations.

As the audience edged its way into the building it was greeted with a kaleidoscopic panorama of color. The decorations were probably the most elaborate as well as the most artistic ever attempted for a similar function. Up above the stage of the chairman, dropped from a steel rafter was a magnificent oil painting of George Washington, framed in gilt and measuring 8x10 feet. Draped behind it were two huge American flags, while festooned about it were yards upon yards of tri-colored bunting. To the right was a similarly draped picture of Andrew Jackson, and to the left one of Thomas Jefferson. On the opposite wall was a portrait of the last democratic president of the United States, Grover Cleveland, bordered with black in mute evidence of the prevailing feeling of sorrow, both party and national, over his recent death.

Back of the platform upon which were seated the members of the national committee, was a row of California palms. Twenty stuffed eagles, carrying in their beaks long streamers of red, white and blue, were suspended from the ceiling immediately over the stage. Around the front of the balconies and galleries were strung 55,000 yards of bunting, white at intervals of 10 feet had been placed American shields. Studding the ceiling were tri-colored stars, each ten feet in diameter, representing the various states, territories and insular possessions. In the corners and about the sides of the main floor were more palms.

Seats 12,000 People.

The total number of seats was 12,000. The space immediately in front and at the sides of the platform had been equipped for the use of the 400 newspaper correspondents who have come to tell the world all about it. As in the recent republican convention at Chicago, the press associations were permitted to install in their reservations telegraph operators with soundless keys for the bulletining of important features of the proceedings. Down below the stage, reached by stairways leading from the press section, were rooms set apart for the use of the telegraph companies and press associations.

Women Delegates.

In the center of the hall were the 1002 comfortable opera chairs occupied by the delegates, and back of these the seats of the alternates. In each of these sections were two women, Colorado and Utah each having sent a delegate and an alternate. Mrs.

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MANAGER OF BOOST CLUB IS SECURED

PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN WILL BEGIN AT ONCE.

P. C. Lavey, a Man of Wide Experience in "Boosting," Will at Once Enter Upon His Duties—Booklets Are High Class, and Very Attractive—Comes From a Similar Field in Oklahoma—Formerly Located in National Bank Building.

The board of managers of the Commercial club met last night, and employed P. C. Lavey, late of Muskogee, Okla., where he was successfully engaged in boosting the town, to take charge of the promotion program planned by the Commercial club. Mr. Lavey is a very pleasant man to meet, and is widely traveled and well read. He has a fond of valuable information gained through several years of active experience in the work he is now entering upon, and the board of managers of the club is to be congratulated upon securing his services. Mr. Lavey's wife is at present at the home of her parents in Kansas, but will soon join her husband here. He will take up his work at once. The headquarters of the publicity campaign have not been definitely settled upon, and for the present Mr. Lavey will use the club rooms in the La Grande National Bank building.

The booklets now on the press for the club, are nearly ready. Mr. Lavey has seen them and commends them very highly. As soon as they arrive, the work of sending them out will at once begin.

Mr. Lavey has a peculiar magnetism about him and during his brief stay in La Grande he has already made many friends among the business men who cannot help but admire his frank manner and the deep vim and spirit that actuates his conversation. During the time that Mr. Collier was making his successful canvass for funds to maintain a brilliant street lighting system, Mr. Lavey was right at his heels, making new acquaintances at every turn. P. C. Lavey is a second "Booster Tom" Richardson.

Postage on Letters Will Be Double.

When the free delivery system begins the first of August, patrons of the La Grande office will have to double the postage heretofore required upon city letters, two cents being necessary whether the letter is delivered within the city or in New York. The publishers of The Observer and the Star will be hardest hit by the change in the postage rates, having to pay at the rate of a cent a pound for all papers delivered from this office, whether for city or rural delivery. The papers sent out from here to other towns in the county will be carried free, as before.

Special Clearance Prices

Summer Goods of all Kinds—Dress Goods, Ladies Suits, Dress Skirts, Ladies' Waists in Nett Silk, Lawns and Linen—Ladies Long and Short Kimonas.

ALL LADIES' TRIMMED HATS HALF PRICE

SPECIAL BARGAINS in Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits ALL THIS WEEK

50c 4-in Hand Ties	\$1.25 to 2.00 Ladies' Waists	25c Mex. Straw Hats
27c	68c	13c

Ladies' Dress Skirts of the Famous "Beverly Make" Worth up to \$14.00 Now \$5.98

MEN'S 75c TO 85c DRESS SHIRTS, IN ALL COLORS AND ALL SIZES, CHOICE 38c

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DEPARTMENT STORE

IT OUGHT TO BE THE HAPPINESS AND GLORY of every citizen to so live and act that his fellow citizens will esteem him for his goodness, his kindness, and his usefulness. The principles of good citizenship should constitute the code of rules for every kind of business whether public or private. This applies particularly to the drug business, because, owing to the limited knowledge of the qualities of drugs by the general public, it follows that the reliability of the druggist is the chief guarantee of good service.

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