

TELL SHERMAN OF HONOR TUESDAY

MUCH ENTHUSIASM OVER SHERMAN NOTIFICATION.

Vice-Presidential Candidate on Republican Ticket Will Be Center of Much Attention Tomorrow—Great Preparation Going on in New York for the Ceremony—Senator Burrows Will Tell Sherman the Secret of His Nomination at Chicago.

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 17.—No pent-up enthusiasm will be allowed to go unexpressed in Utica tomorrow, where the people of the city and surrounding country will pay glorious tribute to their most famous fellow citizen, J. S. Sherman, upon the occasion of the formal notification of his nomination as the republican candidate for the vice-presidency. All is in readiness for the great celebration and thousands of dollars have already been expended in decorations and in arranging various amusement events for the benefit of visitors.

The morrow will be ushered in with the firing of guns and the exploding of fireworks and the din will have all the noisy characteristics of a Fourth of July celebration. There will be a big parade of republican clubs, with bands from Rochester, Albany, Syracuse, Troy and other cities. Scores of automobiles, decorated with political banners and flags, will also be in line.

Athletic sports will form an important part of the day's program, including a baseball game between the Utica and Scranton nines. The musical program is elaborate, and includes a singing contest in which many societies will participate.

The electrical and fireworks displays in the evening will be of an elaborate nature. The decorations of the city were put up by the same professional decorators in charge of the decorating at the Taft nomination, and are now practically complete.

The formal notification ceremonies will begin at noon. Senator Burrows will make the address in behalf of the committee and Mr. Sherman will speak in response, formally accepting the nomination, and making an announcement of his intention to support Mr. Taft in all his policies.

Addresses will also be made by Secretary Root, Mayor Wheeler and President Stryker of Hamilton college. The members of the notification committee and other distinguished guests will be entertained by the city.

SOUTH SEA FLEET SHORT OF SHIPS

JAPAN MUST HAVE A LARGE FLEET FOR PEACE.

Old Worn-Out Vessels Put Into Commission to Fill Out South Sea Fleet—That is Portecting American Interests—Japanese Leader Maintains a Large Navy and Army in Japan is Indispensable for Peace on the Pacific Ocean.

Washington, Aug. 17.—The navy department is under considerable embarrassment for ships, according to a report from officials with a part of the American navy in the South seas. With demands for protection for Americans in Santo Domingo, Venezuela and other Central American points it has been found necessary to put into commission vessels which have long since been out of use. The Wheeling will be placed in commission at the Bremerton navy yard.

Big Fleet Necessary.
Tokio, Aug. 17.—That the increasing military and naval strength of Japan is indispensable to the maintenance of peace in Asia and on the Pacific is the gist of an interview given by Prince Ito, resident general of Korea. He said:

"It is necessary for Japan to have a great army and navy if peace is to be maintained in Asia and the Pacific ocean."

SEARCH FOR MISSING FARMER EXTENDED INTO THIS VALLEY

AGED FARMER WHO DISAPPEARED MYSTERIOUSLY AT UMATILLA, SEARCHED FOR BY RELATIVE.

Relative of Aged Farmer Who Disappeared, Are Searching Everywhere, Offering Reward for Information—En Route to Ashland From Wisconsin When He Left Train for a Moment—No Alarm Felt Until Several Days Afterward—Search Will Now Be Carried Into Walla Walla Country, After Futile Investigation in Eastern Oregon.

Personal search and investigation for Ephraim Hedberg, who mysteriously disappeared at Umatilla several weeks ago, was made in La Grande yesterday and this morning, when G. H. Hedberg of Ashland, visited the city to learn of any possible clue to the whereabouts of the missing farmer.

The daily papers of the state have spread afar the news of the incident. Nearly two weeks ago Hedberg, accompanied by a grown daughter, left Cumberland, Wis., bound for Ashland, Ore. On reaching Umatilla the aged man stepped from the train, and failed to return before the train was again put in motion. The daughter, thinking he would come on the next train, paid little attention to the matter. She reached Ashland, but after days elapsed and nothing was heard from her father, relatives became alarmed and instituted a search for him. At first the telegraph wires were brought into play to find the missing man, but that system proving unavailing, G. H. Hedberg, a lineman of Ashland, commenced a personal search. Between The Dalles and La Grande, he spent an entire week, searching everywhere imaginable for the missing farmer. In La Grande Hedberg turned back and is now going to the Walla Walla country, following the railroad from Umatilla.

Various Opinions Formed.
The continued absence has originated many theories, but the one advanced by Hedberg is, that, being without ready cash, the aged man wandered

about Umatilla until he was hungry, and this, augmented by the fact that he might have been excited over his inability to reach his destination, had driven him insane. He had out about \$1 in loose money at the time, although he carried more than \$1000 in bank drafts, which he could not likely cash at any of the towns where he might visit on account of being an utter stranger.

Death Fears Not Entertained.
The relatives were at first inclined to believe that Hedberg had met with foul play. This theory is supplanted by the one advanced here this morning.

Description of Aged Man.
Mr. Hedberg and the other relatives will be highly grateful of any one who can lend a clue to his whereabouts. He is a man easy discernible once his description is known. He is 62 years of age, though appears much younger than that. He is 5 feet 6 or 7 inches tall, with heavy black hair, sandy moustache and rather shaggy chin whiskers. He speaks with a slight Swedish accent. When he disappeared he was dressed in a light gray, small checked coat and vest and soft gray trousers. He wore a soft tan shirt. His money was in the form of two Cumberland, Wis., bank drafts, one for \$250 and one for \$100.

Any information relative to the missing man will gladly be received at this office or by G. H. Hedberg, Ashland, Ore.

Reward Offered.
A reward of \$100 will be given to any one finding any trace of Hedberg.

NO ANNOUNCEMENT OF SITE FOR FEDERAL BUILDING IN LA GRANDE

That a year may yet elapse before La Grande will be notified of the selection of a site for the federal building was the somewhat disappointing information gleaned from J. H. McDowell, government agent, who has put in a busy day here looking over the proffered sites.

Mr. McDowell arrived yesterday from Pocatello and after a short tour of the valley in which he and several La Grande people visited Hot Lake, the agent got down to business in earnest. He has met as many as a dozen men today all anxious to impress upon him the various points or special features in the sites that have been offered to the postal department. That he will not intimate to the least possible degree what his choice will be, is readily ascertainable, when advances of that nature are made. On the strength of location, convenience, width of front, and a score of other points, he will make a first selection and a second choice. The course which they will follow is a circuitous one, and while the recommendations may go through the red tape system in six months, it may also require a year. When the deed, with a clear title is turned over to the government, the bids for the construction of the building will be received.

The recommendations which McDowell will see fit to make will go to the secretary of the treasury, George B. Cortelyou, and from him they will go to the department of justice, to be perused as to clearness of title and other legal points. Then, after a visit to the United States attorney at Portland, they will again go back to the justice department for final inspection as to perfection of title, and then, eventually, be turned over to the post-

office department. When it is known that there are 250 other recommendations to be made within a month, it is clearly evident that the slow wheels of the government will not grind out a decision in many months.

McDowell is not of taciturn nature in other matters, but he is held between sharp tongs relative to publicity over his recommendations. Aside from saying that he would make two recommendations, he refrained from making further utterances on that important point.

He leaves tomorrow morning for Pendleton, where he will go through a similar grist of bids.

BURNING VALUABLE OIL.

Thousands of Dollars Go Up in Smoke Because of Volcano Fire.
Tampico, Mexico, Aug. 17.—Despite every effort made to stop it, the Minlanute volcano of burning oil in the San Geronimo district continues unchecked, consuming a hundred thousand barrels daily. Workmen are today pumping an immense quantity of sand and mud into the crater. Since the well began burning on July 4, more than five million barrels of oil have been destroyed. The oil is valued at \$1 a barrel.

Attend the Meeting.

Fred G. Taylor, secretary of the La Grande Commercial club, is preparing a circular letter to be sent out to the citizens of the valley, urging them to attend the irrigation mass meeting which will be held next Saturday evening. A large attendance is desired. Every one who is at all interested in the upbuilding of this county, should be on hand and be there early, and stay until it is all over.

Peculiar Addition to Library.

We notice among the dispatches that a minister who lives in a "dry" town in Delaware, was much embarrassed when he received the following message from the express office:

"Dear Sir—There is an express package for you marked books. Please claim it at once, as they are leaking."

A messenger was at once sent for the "leaking books." Not all books leak as these did, nor do they indicate so clearly the strength and the odor of the contents.

BRYAN STUTTERS AT ACCUSATION

CONNECTION WITH GUFFEY "SELLING OUT"

President Van Cleave Has Pushed a Knotty Question Up to Bryan and Democracy—Bryan Struggling for a Suitable Answer to Bank Question—Also Denies That the "Sold Out" Story is True—Said to Have Been Cheated Out of \$20,000.

Fairview, Aug. 17.—William J. Bryan today declined to reply to the attack upon him by James Van Cleave, president of the Buck Stove & Range company, but said he may reply later.

Van Cleave asked if Bryan did not know that his platform charges are false. Van Cleave asked:

"Does Bryan know that the vicious provision of the Denver platform for the payment of depositors in insolvent banks would penalize the honest and careful banker for the benefit of dishonest bankers?"

Bryan today denied that he "sold out" in the case of Colonel Guffey of Pittsburg, for \$200,000, and failed to receive the money. The story from Pittsburg says Bryan for that sum promised to use his influence to have Guffey and his friends ousted from the national committee.

Steamer Horror.

Petokey, Mich., Aug. 17.—Three are known to be dead and as many as 50 passengers are missing as the result of the explosion of a boiler on the steamer Leolana, on Carp lake. Three bodies have been recovered. It is believed a dozen perished. The panic which ensued was terrible. Many were in the state rooms and were caught without any chance of escape. Those on deck were hurled into the water. Mrs. Isabel A. Leolana of Travers City, Mich., was instantly killed.

Taft Preparing Speech.

Hot Springs, Aug. 17.—Wm. H. Taft was busy today preparing his speech to be delivered before the republicans who gather here Friday to greet the candidate. All told 5000 are expected.

Take a Little Soda For Your Stomach's Sake

This Advice Certainly Holds Good with Everyone This Sort of Weather
Soda served at our fountain is more than a tasty thirst-quenching beverage. It is tonic and refreshing and every glass a strengthener for the stomach.
Our Soda is absolutely pure, strengthening, reviving, refreshing and healthful. It "lands direct" on the "dry" spot and quenches thirst as nothing else will, because we serve it at just the right temperature.

HILL'S DRUG STORE LA GRANDE, OREGON

ORDER RULES IN SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

GRAND JURY TO PROBE BLOODY COLORED RIOTS.

Presence of Three Thousand Soldiers Today Has Quieting Effect on Rioters in Capital of Illinois—Learned That Man Who Was Killed Saturday Night Was One Time Servant of Abraham Lincoln—One Confession Has Been Made.

Springfield, Ill., Aug. 17.—The rioters who held this city in a reign of terror since Friday, were only checked by the presence of more than 3000 soldiers, heavily armed, today. The soldiers are in complete charge. On the governor's orders a special grand jury will convene tomorrow and take up the case of George Richardson, whose alleged assault upon Mrs. Karl Hallam caused all the trouble. The jury will then be ordered to investigate who is responsible for the riot.

One of the first cases to be taken up will be that of Abraham Rayman, a Russian Jew, who confessed that he is one of the members of the mob that cut the throat of William Donigan, the aged negro Saturday night. Negroes are leaving the city in great numbers, fearing additional outbreaks of rioting and bloodshed.

Dead Negro Had Distinction.
It was learned today that Donigan, the negro lynched by the mob, was a bootmaker for Abraham Lincoln before the latter left here for Washington. General Palmer, a nominee of the gold standard wing of the democratic party for the presidency in 1896, was also one of the negro's customers.

Investigation to Be Real.
It was announced this afternoon that the investigation would be real, and not of a whitewashing nature. The homes of the leaders are being searched by the sheriff's agents in an effort to find relics of destroyed business houses as evidence. The court has ordered the grand jurors summoned to appear in court tomorrow morning.

Ringling Brothers' circus, which is scheduled to appear here tomorrow, has been notified that it cannot show because the appearance would have a bad effect.

At noon 80 arrests had been made. Kate Howard, accused of inciting the riot, of burglary and of larceny, has been admitted to bail.

Wrong Man Perhaps.
From a statement made today by Mrs. Hallam that she could not identify the assailant, it is believed that Richardson is the wrong man. It is reported that a number of reliable citizens are ready to prove an alibi for the negro. The negro and his wife had borne good reputations.

Sunday's Baseball Scores.
Los Angeles, 5; Portland, 4.
San Francisco, 4-9; Oakland, 1-2.

Rahja Silks, Novelty Suits and Waist Patterns

Values up to \$1.50 - - - per yard 78c

Rahjas in Tan, Brown and Blue, suit and waist patterns, in stripes, plaides and checks and dainty patterns in the popular new shades of blue—in two tones—black and white affects—a splendid assortment of this seasons best silks to choose from at the extraordinary low price. Values up to \$1.50 per yard, now 78 CENTS

Ladies' Wash Suits - 1-2 Price

All white shirt waistsuits in plain tailored, also embroidered effect at Half Regular Price

Galatea Cloth Suits, \$10 Values \$6.50

In tailored jackets and skirts made with long or short sleeves. This season's most popular styles in stripes and checks. For Choice \$6.50

