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SHERMAN LOST NEW YORK FIGHT

FINAL VOTES SHOW ROOSEVELT HAS SCORED VICTORY WHEN FINAL TEST COMES.

HALL IN WILD DISORDER

Police Forced to Clear the Floor Before Vote is Taken—Sherman and the Old Guard Routed When Vote for Temporary Chairman is Taken—Delegates Climb on Chairs and Shriek Their Approval for Roosevelt.

Saratoga, Sep. 27.—Although he has twice been elected to the chairmanship by the committee, Vice President Sherman and the Old Guard were repudiated. He was routed when the result of the roll call was announced. Sherman got 445 and Roosevelt 567. Delegates stood on chairs and shrieked. This means the Colonel will deliver the keynote address.

Saratoga, Sept. 27.—Theodore Roosevelt was elected temporary chairman of the New York convention after a hard fight. The convention was called to order at noon and state chairman, Woodruff, presented Sherman's name as temporary chairman, saying afterwards, "President Taft desires the convention to endorse the administration unequivocally." Later a motion was made to elect Roosevelt temporary chairman. Abe Gruber got to his feet and roared the Colonel. The matter was finally brought to a vote after the police had cleared the hall.

Saratoga, Sept. 27.—Before the opening of the republican state convention which is expected to develop the most bitter struggle between the factions, Roosevelt issued a statement denouncing bosses controlling the other factions.

Sherman Called Trickster.
The statement follows last night's wrangling during which the committee endorsed Vice President Sherman for temporary chairman, declaring the charges that Sherman used trickery, were false. In the statement Col. Roosevelt declares it was trickery and said:

"Never was the issue before the convention so clearly drawn between honesty and political dishonesty in public life and that peculiar baseness of corruption in men who, by their trickery to keep control of state committees, and who now come here to dominate the convention."

Woodruff to Start Something.
If the program is followed, State Chairman Woodruff will present Vice President Sherman's name and Lloyd Griscom, Roosevelt's. Lieutenant chairman of New York county committee, is then scheduled to present Roosevelt's name and the fight will then be on with no concessions asked.

Nips Governorship.
Just before the convention came to order Roosevelt ended a plan to stampede the convention to him for governor. He told his followers that if anyone tried to bring up his name he would deal with him personally.

RECITAL WELL ATTENDED.

Stirring Incidents of Ancient Times Depicted by Clever Reader.
Newton Beers, a man of national reputation as a reader and reciter last evening entertained a fair-sized audience at the Knights of Pythias lodge room with a reading of Damon and Pythias, that masterly story of brotherly love which has appealed to hundreds of thousands of people. The pathetic scenes in the old city of Syracuse, Sicily, were pictured in splendid fashion and as the climaxes arose

the reciter rose to the occasion with stirring effect. His voice, bearing and expression were in perfect harmony with the standard interpretations of these historical characters. Mr. Beers is conceded one of the finest reciters in the business today.

ROBBERS LOOT LIMITED.

While Mail Cars Waited for Balance of Train Robbers do Their Work.

New Orleans, Sept. 27.—A sheriff's posse and blood hounds today are trailing the train robbers who held up and robbed a mail car on the California limited last night at Avondale, 10 miles distant. It is reported the robbers are surrounded in a swamp.

The limited left this city at 6 o'clock and was ferried across at Avondale, reaching there at 10. While standing on a siding waiting the balance of the train, the robbers did their work.

NOTED AVIATOR DEAD.

Man Who Crossed Alps in Machine Dies from Injuries.

Domodossola, Sept. 27. Chavez, the aviator, who was injured in a fight over the alps, became unconscious early today and died at noon.

HOFF VIRTUALLY NOMINATED

OTHER RACES HAVE BEEN DECIDED SAFELY.

About Three-Fourths of the Count in Oregon Has Been Turned In.

Portland, Sept. 27.—With about three-fourths of the primary returns counted, Jay Bowerman still leads, with about 3000 over Dimick for Governor. Congressman Ellis has cut down Lafferty's lead slightly but not enough to endanger the congressional nomination.

In the first district Hawley still leads Mulkey by practically 1800 votes. Oswald West, the democratic gubernatorial nominee leads Myers by 1000. Kay won the state treasury over Hoyt, leading by 2100 this forenoon. O. P. Hoff, the assembly candidate for commissioner of labor is thousands ahead of Orton, virtually assuring his election.

There are no other changes over yesterday.

Interstate Fair Opens Monday.

The Seventeenth Annual Spokane Interstate Fair opens Monday morning, October 3rd and closes Saturday night, October 8th. Visitors to the Fair this year will hardly recognize it, as a result of the great external improvements that have been made. A large sum has been expended in beautifying the grounds and in building alterations.

MINERS TALK BUSINESS.

After Preliminary Skirmishes Delegates Discuss Weighty Matters.

Los Angeles Sept. 27.—After three sessions devoted to preliminary charges, the American Mining congress got down to business today. The relations of the federal government to toll industry was the subject of a discussion participated in by Congressman Smith, C. A. Barlow of Bakersfield and others. Conservation as it affects local coal lands was the subject of address given by E. W. Parker of the U. S. Geological Survey.

TRYING NEW SURFACING.

Street Superintendent Matott Experimenting With New Street Repairs.

Using crushed rock, placed directly on the street grade, and surfacing with fine dirt. Street Superintendent Matott is doing some experimental work on Elm street today. While the process costs more than graveling, it is believed it will be much more satisfactory in the end. The slight batch of this kind is at the approach of Elm.

500 WEST POINT CADETS MAY BE DISMISSED

SITUATION IS OUTCOME OF THE CAPTAIN LONGAN INCIDENT AT WEST POINT.

DISLIKE FOR THE OFFICER

First Twenty of Five Hundred Cadets Examined Refuse to Tell What the Trouble With Man Is—Work Has Been Suspended in an Effort to Get Discipline Restored in the Institution—Open Revolt Exists.

West Point Sept. 27.—Cadets in West Point today are in open rebellion and authorities are fearing the worst mutiny in history of the academy as the outcome of the Captain Longan incident in which 500 cadets joined in showing their disapproval by "silencing" him. The cadets are united and routine work is suspended in an effort to restore discipline.

Superintendent General Barry in a report said the first twenty examined by the investigating committee, each said: "We have formed a dislike for this officer."

No amount of coaxing would make them tell the cause of the trouble. Indications are that the cadets have formed a conspiracy not to answer. Heretofore they were commanded to answer under the pain of dismissal, but if every cadet will be commanded to answer and declines, it means the entire 500 will be dismissed from the academy.

Under classmen it is believed, will follow the lead set by upper classmen. Cadets are still under arrest.

According to campus gossip the antagonism arose at first when he refused to allow "punishment" squad to wear overcoats when it was raining at night. After the open break of Saturday night Longan forced the corps to leave the mess hall at double quick and forced the hungry cadets to keep it up for an hour, it is said. Sunday he repeated the tactics because the cadets refused to eat, until some of them almost dropped from exhaustion.

TRAIN LEAVES AT EARLY HOUR

EIGHT O'CLOCK PROBABLY LEAVING TIME THURSDAY.

Reasonable Rates Provided for Visitors to County Fair.

While the exact hour of departure for the La Grande excursion train to Enterprise next Thursday has not been definitely fixed, it is thought that 7:30 will be the earliest and 8 o'clock the latest at which the train will leave. It will be definitely announced tomorrow. Some are desirous of departing at 8 o'clock and it is believed that that hour will prevail in the end.

The fare for the round trip is announced at \$3.20 which is very reasonable. That a large crowd is going is evident from the amount of inquiries coming in from various parts of the city.

Baptist Society to Meet.

The W. F. M. Society of the Baptist church will be entertained in the church parlors by Mrs. Bonsel Wednesday at 2:30 p. m. All ladies of the church and congregation are invited to attend.

WANT STATES TO CONTROL ALL IRRIGATION

BITTER FIGHT WILL BE FOCUSED ON THE RESOLUTIONS BY THE COMMITTEE.

COLORADO LEADS MOVEMENT

Another Struggle Will be Precipitated Next Thursday When Pinchot Arrives on the Scene With His Opposition to State Conservation Plans—Minority Report is Promised When the Committee on Resolutions Acts.

Pueblo, Colo., Sept. 27.—Two resolutions deprecating federal control of irrigation projects and recommending that the national irrigation congress go on record as favoring state control of irrigation works, were prepared today by the Colorado delegates who will present it to the convention immediately. It is predicted that when the resolutions reach the committee, a majority will refuse to make a favorable report and so the minority report will probably be made.

A fight over states' rights to water power and irrigation control is promised Thursday when Pinchot will be present to oppose the state conservation idea.

The topic before the congress this morning was "Irrigation by private enterprises. Frank Coudy, of Denver, and George Barstow of Texas, both former presidents, were the principal speakers. The afternoon program included a speech by Director Newell of the Reclamation Service.

SPOKANE WANTS COMMISSION.

Election of Commissioners to Draft The Proposed Charter.

Spokane, Sept. 27.—An election is being held here today to choose the commissioner of fifteen free holders who shall revise the charter of this city, giving Spokane a commission form of government.

STATE ROAD PLAN TAKES SHAPE

EASTERN OREGON WANTS GOOD ROAD TO PORTLAND.

Will Ask That Convicts Help Build the Road to Baker City.

La Grande, Baker City and Pendleton good road boosters have inaugurated a campaign for the construction of a state road from Baker City to Portland and in petitions which will soon be prepared, the state legislature will be prayed to allow state prison convicts to work on the proposed state highway. While yet in the formation the plan has taken deep root in La Grande. From Umatilla county comes the report that ninety-five percent of the voters of that county will sign the petition for the state road and if other such petitions are presented to the legislature, it is likely that the movement will materialize.

Judge Webster, the president of the state Good Roads association has been advised of the movement and his aid solicited.

DOCTOR IS ACCUSED.

Given Preliminary Arraignment for Murdering a Girl Patient.

San Francisco, Sept. 27.—Dr. Robt. Thompson, alias Grant, was formally arraigned for the murder of Eva Swan in police court today. He was not allowed to plead until Monday. Marie Messerschmidt the nurse and Paul Parker, the alleged sweetheart of the girl, were witnesses. Thompson was identified by the expressman as the man for whom the trunk containing the dead girl's body was left at a cottage on Eureka street where later it was exhumed from a cellar. Willie Saach, Thompson's assistant is located at Weed, Calif. and will be brought back to this city.

HEARST PREFERENCES TAFT.

Says Roosevelt Methods are Windy Disturbances.

New York, Sept. 27.—Hearst, in a Paris, cabled this morning to the New York World, saying he preferred to support Taft than Roosevelt. He said, "Roosevelt methods constitute a policy of a windy disturbance."

CANADA OBJECTS TO THE RATES

TELEGRAPH COMPANIES SAID TO BE DISCRIMINATING.

Department of Justice to Hear Farther from Complaints Filed.

Winnipeg, Man., Sept. 27.—A national investigation into the methods of the telegraph corporations doing business in Canada will doubtless follow a ruling of Chairman Mabee of the board of Railroad Commissioners for Canada. While in session here at Winnipeg, the board of trade complained that the companies were discriminating against the West in the matter of tolls to make up for small percentage of profits reaped in the east. Chairman Mabee said he would petition the minister of justice at Ottawa against the companies.

Benson Starts Home.

San Jose, Calif., Sept. 27.—Governor Frank Benson, of Oregon, who has been in San Francisco for several months for medical treatment, left San Jose today for Salem to resume his official duties. It is believed the governor is in good physical condition to make the race for secretary of state, for which office he was nominated at the primaries Saturday.

WAPPENSTEIN HURRIES HOME.

In the Meantime Acting Mayor and City Council are Cleaning City.

Seattle, Sept. 27.—With Chief of Police Wappenstein hurrying back from Los Angeles where he has been trying to enjoy a vacation with friends and searching for Mayor Gill, who is on recreation bent, the city council today went on record as almost unanimously as being in accord with Acting Mayor Wardell in his campaign to clean the city. Wardell charges the police department is harboring grafters.

WRIGHT PUPIL SUCCESSFUL.

Circles Over Lake Front in a Beautiful Manner.

Chicago Sept. 27.—Walter Brookins, a Wright pupil, ascended in an aeroplane today, circled the lake front several times then to a height of 2000 feet and maneuvering the machine beautifully. It is estimated that 200,000 people witnessed the flight.

BARRET SEEMS A WINNER BY A VOTE OF 10

NERVE-RACKING RACE CONTINUES BETWEEN MEN FOR THE JOINT SENATORSHIP.

FEW OFFICIAL RETURNS OUT

Democratic Returns Commence to Come in Showing Manning and Myers Are Favorites in Union County—Canvassers Will Get to Barret and Wilson Late Tonight or Early Tomorrow—Race Very Close.

Contrary to expectation, the official canvass reached the scene of the vital struggle this afternoon at 4 o'clock and Charles Barret, anti-assemblyman for joint senator is nominated by a majority of fifty-seven. The official count showed a great difference in comparison with original totals. Barret carried Union county by 357 and Wilson got 279, giving Barret a majority of seventy-eight. Subtracting the Wilson lead in Umatilla and Morrow, Barret has fifty-seven if the original vote there stands and forty-seven, or thereabout, if the democratic vote is cast out—in either event enough to win.

Pendleton, Sept. 27.—Special Barret carried Morrow county by six votes and Wilson carried Umatilla by twenty-seven, leaving Wilson twenty-one to the good in the two counties, but the boards during the primaries counted several votes for Barret which were on the Democratic Ticket, and Barret's total includes these votes from the democratic tickets. When they are removed it will send Wilson to Union County with thirty-one to the good, or one less than Barret's grand total. The count from Umatilla is official and supposed to be from Morrow.

Another day has passed since the primary election and still the race between Charles Barret and Fred Wilson for joint senator from Umatilla, Morrow and Union counties is undecided, though it has simmered down to a matter of about ten votes.

The official count is completed in Morrow and Umatilla county and Fred Wilson comes to Union county with exactly twenty-one votes to the good. Now while the vote will not be canvassed down to Barret and Wilson until very late this afternoon and probably not until tomorrow sometime, it is a safe bet that Barret's lead in Union county will be more than twenty-one. It is estimated at thirty, but it is impossible to forecast absolutely, of course, until after the board of canvassers makes its returns. Barret is evidently elected by between seven and ten votes.

Canvassers at Work.

The board of canvassers is at work today but the work is slow and the task will not be completed until tomorrow sometime, is the belief.

Errors Yesterday.

Humorous errors arose yesterday when the Observer's tabulated form of elections was compiled. The make-up of the table was inaccurate and some ludicrous situations arose. However the official and correct table will appear tomorrow. Among those given wrong standing was W. J. Church. His total was correct, something over 500 votes, but the detail precinct vote didn't show that. However the precinct vote was all wrong and the total right. Other details were shady.

Democratic Vote Being Counted.

While the republican returns are being counted, the first democratic returns since Saturday are coming

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