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**The President's Vacation.**  
CANTON, O., July 2.—President McKinley had a day of almost unbroken rest in his home city. After the mail which came from Washington was disposed of and the commissions it contained signed and dispatched to Washington, no official cares were thrust on him. There was all the evening an almost unbroken line of bicycles and pleasure carriages passing the house. Many neighbors and friends dropped in during the day and evening to pay their respects.

**Plague Cases in Rio.**  
RIO DE JANEIRO, July 2.—The total number of bubonic plague cases reported since January 4 is 251. The fatal cases number 10.

### BRYAN MAY APPEAR

Nebraska Delegates Arrange for a Climax to Nomination.

KANSAS CITY IS FILLING UP

Hill's Trip to Lincoln Comes to Naught—Preliminary Work of the Convention Begun.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., July 2.—The throbb and thrill of great National assemblage is beginning to take possession of this young Queen City of the Southwest. Throughout the day there has been a steady tramp of incoming delegates, the sands by every train, clogging the railroad stations with a struggling, travel-stained and sweating throng, filling the streets with slow-moving, jostling crowds, emptying into the hotel lobbies, where the cigar smoke and piles of baggage and the shout of badge-vendors, the currents of earnest and excited men eddy into groups, declaiming the merits of candidates and issues, arguing, protesting, recalcitrating.

The delegates have been arriving in scattered lots, some of them with bands and banners to add sound and color to the animated scene. Among the day's arrivals are many of the interesting figures of the party, including the smooth-faced, ministerial-looking Oldham, of Nebraska, who will make the special pleading Mr. Bryan in nomination; Hill of New York, weighted with his long conference with Bryan at Lincoln, and weary with three days of constant travel; Ferry Belmont of New York, who is expected to be a debonair; Teller of Colorado, with his Jackson-like face, thin and worn; Senator Wood of Mississippi, tall and gaunt. There is a string of candidates from the South, a distinguished and popular trio, Senators Allen, Hatfield and Harris, here to add the cause of Towne; John P. Altgeld, of Illinois, brown and smiling under his broad-brimmed panama; Governor W. W. Smith, of Maryland; the close confidant of Gorman; Arthur Sewall, the Maine shipbuilder, who ran with Bryan four years ago, and that unique figure of the Senate, who has brought excitement and sensation to its deliberators, Senator Pettigrew; Senator William A. Clark, of Montana, heading the delegation of "regulars," with two brass bands and an abundance of enthusiasm.

With this influx of leaders and delegates, the holding of caucuses and the organization of state delegations has begun under hot and arduous conditions. It has been a sticky, muggy day, with the sky overcast and threatening and the air heavily charged with moisture, giving promise of humidification ahead.

**Convention Work Begins.**  
The convention work of the convention began today with a meeting of the National committee to determine the order and select temporary officers. Mayor Rose, of Milwaukee, the choice for temporary chairman, is a German-American, reputed to be an expert in the art of making effective delivery. Tonight the National committee had a private dinner, a sort of family conference, as the guest of Daniel J. Caspary, while great crowds of delegates and spectators crowded the convention hall, which was formally opened with a band concert. The vast structure is still surrounded with the debris of construction, an array of workmen and decorators are busy inside, but there is no doubt it will be complete and ready for the convention hosts by Wednesday morning. The Monetary League also began its sessions today, and a number of speakers and Mr. Towne as attractions, but they were quite too academic to attract much attention.

Aside from the formal proceedings, the day has brought many surprises in the general situation. The dominating influence of Mr. Bryan over the convention has been made manifest, causing some and just a little rebellion in some quarters. It is not by any authoritative or formal words or actions by him that this influence is exerted, but in ways none the less effective. His important words are not so much in disclosing how strong a hand Mr. Bryan holds on the convention's course, as in showing that there is little likelihood of a modification or dilution of the silver plank.

The arrival of the Nebraska delegation, fresh from conferences with the leader, was mainly instrumental in showing Mr. Bryan's attitude. They were hardly off the cars before they met in caucus and formally put forward a declaration of principles. This expressed unalterable opposition to any surrender of the principle of bimetallic standard, and a demand for a financial plank making specific provision for the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, independently of what any other nation may do.

The resolution was accepted as little short of notice to other delegations as to the sentiment of men very near to Mr. Bryan. Some of them had just left him, Judge Tibbets, head of the delegation at-large, dined with Mr. Bryan and Governor Hill at Lincoln last night. "The platform must be straight out for 16 to 1; there is no question as to that," said Judge Tibbets. His view was expressed by B. L. Metcalf, who is secretary of Nebraska on the platform committee. "I will urge that the financial plank of the Chicago platform be reaffirmed and repeated," said he, "not necessarily in the same words as they are in it, with a declaration for free coinage at 16 to 1 without regard to the action of other nations. Less than that would be weakness."

**Hill's Trip Fruitless.**  
The return of Senator Hill without tangible result which he was willing to disclose made it plain that his conference with Mr. Bryan at Lincoln had come to naught, and it served also to emphasize the general feeling that Mr. Bryan would not tolerate any temporizing on the platform. The Senator came back from Lincoln on the car with the Nebraska delegation, mingled with them and exchanged views. But there was no evidence of the slightest sympathy among them for him as the bimetallic standard. Judge Tibbets explained, "that Mr. Hill would not accept a nomination under the circumstances."

**Memorial to Oscar.**  
HELSINGFORS, Finland, July 2.—The Finnish Senate has addressed a memorial to the czar, declaring its inability to promulgate the imperial rescript regarding the introduction of the Russian language in Finland, the limitation of the right of public meetings, and the granting of the right of Russians to carry on certain trades prohibited to Finns.

**Teachers From Cuba.**  
BOSTON, July 2.—The United States Army transport *Sedgewick*, having on board more than 60 female teachers from Cuba, being the third of the fleet bringing the instructors to this country for a season of study at Harvard University's Summer school, arrived today. Two more transports are yet to come.

### SHVELY IS OUT OF IT

Vice-Presidential Situation Is Not Cleared Much.

ALL DEPENDS ON THE PLATFORM

The Leading Candidates Now Seem to Be Towne and Sulzer—Hill Says Little.

KANSAS CITY, July 2.—The Vice-Presidential situation has not cleared up in the air today and tonight apparently is in as much doubt as when the delegates to the National Democratic Convention were elected. There was a shifting of the scene today, even Senator Shively, of Indiana, was taken out of the race by his own emphatic statement to the Indiana delegation. Not only the Indiana men but other delegates in the city accepted the statement of Mr. Shively and he is not now considered a probability in the race. As the contest stands after Shively's retirement, the two leading candidates seem to be Charles A. Towne and William Sulzer. But some men from New York like Judge Van Wyck or Elliott Danforth as a possibility under certain contingencies.

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**New York a Mystery.**  
New York is still an uncertain quantity in the field. It is still a mystery as to who has no candidate, although there is more genuine activity in the Sulzer canvass than any other that is being made. Mr. Sulzer, while a New York man, is not made a candidate of New York, but is making his canvass outside of that delegation. That the delegation under favorable conditions, such as concessions in the platform, would unite on some other man seems to be perfectly understood. It would undoubtedly be brought about by a movement from outside the state.

Whether the convention would unite on Danforth or Van Wyck is uncertain, but it is a possibility. There is a great deal of talk about the ex-Senator in connection with the Vice-Presidential nomination, and in case of a modified platform he might be rushed into the convention. At the same time it is well understood that his selection would not be satisfactory to Mr. Bryan, less satisfactory, perhaps, than the other New York men mentioned. Mr. Hill himself insists that he is not to be considered, and says it is a way to indicate that he does not want it and that he has doubts about his selection if he did it. There may be some dark horses in the stable, but they have not yet been considered possible or available, some man like Sewell, the presentation of whose name was a surprise and whose nomination was not even mentioned. There are plenty of guesses made, but no one feels authorized to make definite predictions.

**Hill Noncommittal.**  
Ex-Senator Hill returned from Lincoln today and it may be said that his return did not cause great sensation, as did his departure. The mysterious silence which he maintained and which he explained by saying, "Mr. Bryan and myself agreed that nothing should be said regarding the convention," is still a puzzle. It did not serve to what the political appetites very much. Of course, it was not expected that Mr. Hill would talk of the convention, but he was a little more than he might say something of interest relating to the platform and the prospects of a modification, but he was decidedly noncommittal. When asked a direct question whether he would support the platform, he said the convention would meet for two days. It might not act upon the platform for three days, therefore there was no reason to now discuss the question of whether it was to concur in the platform or not. He was quite a long time with some, but to no one did he outline his intended position or give any intimation as to the question of whether he would support the platform or not.

**The Towne Boom.**  
The Towne managers say very emphatically today that their man will win the Vice-Presidential nomination. They have reached a point where they offer the Democrats certain terms and insist upon being heard. Their programme is this: The men authorized to speak for the Populists and Silver Republicans agree with Democratic managers that both conventions shall go ahead and nominate Bryan on the first day, July 4, but no effort shall be made to nominate a Vice-Presidential candidate. Committees of conference shall be appointed with a view of agreeing upon a candidate to unite the forces of the three fusion parties.

The Democratic leaders do not agree to this programme, the Silver Republican convention will make no nomination of either President or Vice-President, but will appoint a committee of conference on both sides to confer with the committees of the Democrats and Populists. Some of the Democratic leaders have agreed that this is a fair proposition, and have assured the Towne managers that they will do what they can to carry it out.

Another card the Towne men are playing is that Bryan is for the Minnesota man. The position said to be taken by Mr. Bryan is that the Democrats are in honor bound to treat the allies of 1896 fairly and with due consideration. He thinks that the Populists and Silver Republicans hold the balance of power in several states, and when united with the Democrats will make those states sure for the allied forces. Bryan does not want a double-tailed ticket this campaign, and many of the leaders share his wishes. There is a possibility that the Populists and Silver Republicans may object to withdrawing the man they have nominated. So the Towne men think they are in a very good position.

Another thing which makes the Towne men so confident is the loyalty of Sulzer

### THE COLUMN HALTS

Allies Are Not Advancing to the Relief of Pekin.

PRESENT FORCE IS TOO SMALL

Southern Provinces of China Are Gradually Breaking Away From the Empire.

LONDON, July 2, S. A. M.—The allies are not advancing to the relief of Pekin. This announcement to the House of Commons by William St. John Broderick, Under Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, was received with exclamations of astonishment and indignation.

Sir Ellis Ashmead Bartlett inquired for any information that had been received from the legations at Pekin, or as to the composition of a command of the relieving force, and of the progress of the relieving force, and of the progress of the relieving force, and of the progress of the relieving force.

"We don't yet know what arrangements have been made locally regarding the command of an expedition, but it has not been thought possible to attempt a further advance, the Consul has been in communication with the Viceroy in the Yangtze region and they are quite well aware that support will be given to them by Her Majesty's Government in preserving order. It is obviously impossible that the representatives of the powers at Pekin should be consulted, as no communications are passing between them."

"The situation is desperate. Hatten." These words from the message of Von Berman, a member of the German Legation at Pekin, countermanded by Sir Broderick Hart, Inspector-General of Customs and dated nine days ago, are the theme of all private comment. They are preparing for a crisis, and the powers look days ago the ammunition of the little garrison defending the foreigners was running low, and their food was nearly exhausted, when around them was a horde of Kan Su braves having at their service Krupp guns and repeating rifles. Pekin was in the hands of the revolutionaries.

While nothing but sinister news comes from Northern China, Southern China is seemingly breaking away from the empire. All the provinces south of the Yellow River, whose Viceroy and Governors maintain friendly relations with the powers through the Consul, have been formally constituted into a confederacy with Nankin as the capital.

According to an express cable from Shanghai, dated July 2, the Southern Viceroy wholly disavow Prince Tuan's Government. They have practically constituted an independent state, extending from the Hwang Ho to the British and French frontiers.

Little else to illuminate the profound obscurity of the situation reaches cable points. Chinese wires to Che Foo appear to be interrupted.

Last night St. Petersburg was informed over the St. Petersburg wires that the destruction of the Russian railways in Manchuria continues, and it seems not improbable that Russia will be occupied for a time in suppressing the insurrection among its subject Chinese, and may be unable to send more troops immediately to Tokyo. The powers look more and more to Japan to supply the force necessary at once to grapple with the formidable rebellion.

The Daily Telegraph urges the immediate intervention of Japan for a settlement of the Chinese rebellion.

The Times this morning editorially advocates strenuously that the powers invite Japan to intervene in China, or at least that they shall place no obstacle in the way of the extensive employment of Japanese troops in quelling the rebellion.

### ITALY'S POLICY

The Government Will Act in Concert With the Other Powers.

ROME, July 2.—In the Chamber of Deputies today the Marquis Visconti Venosta, Minister of Foreign Affairs, outlined the policy of the government in China. He said:

"Harmony between the powers has never ceased since united action was taken. If the nearest nations arrived on the scene first, they acted in the common interest. The Italian Government thus far has not sent any soldiers, but it will soon have at its disposal warships with increasing crews, able to disembark landing parties. Moreover, other measures have been taken which will enable Italy to be prepared for any eventualities, and we propose to maintain our position in the concert of European powers, all of whom are anxious to re-establish order in Pekin and create guarantees for the safety of foreigners and peaceful interests. It would not only be out of place, in the present climate, to speak of Italy's particular views, but it is necessary to add that we have absolutely no idea of having an opportunity to secure a foothold in China. Whenever a great question involving general interests comes to the front, and when a concert of powers deals therewith in the superior interest of peace, we deem it Italy ought not to hold aloof, but on the contrary should accept the role that falls to her common task. It would be, indeed, useless for Italy to pursue in China a policy in behalf of her commercial interests if she did not safeguard her prestige and authority, without which she could not protect, not merely the commercial activity, but the personal security of her citizens."

"At the present moment we cannot foresee the ultimate developments of events. We take for our guide the interests of the country, which coincide with the work which is imposed on the powers in China." (Loud applause.)

**LATEST FROM PEKIN.**  
Sir Robert Hart Reports the Situation Desperate.  
TIEN TSIN, June 29, Via Che Foo, July 1.—and Shanghai, July 2.—A courier from Sir Robert Hart, Inspector-General of Customs, who has just arrived, has left Pekin Monday, June 25, and reports the situation desperate. June 18, he reports, Baron von Kottbe, the German Minister, and his secretary, attempted to flee the Tsiung Yi Yamen. He was about four times, and died at the rooms of the Tsiung Yi Yamen. His secretary succeeded in making his escape. All of the legations, except the British, German and Italian, have been destroyed. The diplomats and missionaries are in the British legation under rifle-fire. Cannon commanded the legations, but they are not being used.

It is impossible to start relief at present. Captain McCulla, commander of the New-Carr, estimates that 50,000 soldiers will be required to relieve the Ministers in Pekin.

**France to Build an Observatory.**  
PARIS, July 2.—In the Chamber of Deputies today the government introduced a credit of 1,215,000 francs to erect an observatory building in Washington.

### LABOR TROUBLES IN ALABAMA

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., July 2.—All the union miners in Alabama, about 10,000 in number, suspended work today pending the settlement of the wage dispute between them and the operators. The old wage contract expired yesterday and the miners demand a raise and other concessions. The operators refuse this demand.

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