



CLASH IS TODAY

Hearst Forces Will Fight in Convention.

PEACE TERMS DECLINED

Insistence on Pledge From the California Delegates.

ANTI-MEN ARE CONFIDENT

As a Probable Outcome the Newspaper Man Will Not Be Backed Nor Will Representatives to St. Louis Be Instructed.

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., May 15.—(Special.)—The California Democratic State National Convention will be called to order tomorrow by Barney Murphy, chairman of the State Central Committee.

After spending a fruitless day trying to bring about a compromise between the Hearst and anti-Hearst forces war was declared at evening, and there will be a battle royal for control.

Uninstructed Delegation Probable. Judging from surface indications tonight it looks to outsiders as though the convention will neither endorse Hearst nor send an instructed delegation.

Straw Vote is Anti-Hearst. Delegations that were on the fence or lying behind breakfasts have come out into the open.

On one of the afternoon trains the passengers were polled by the San Francisco delegates and the vote was against Hearst two to one.

Claim Good Fighting Strength. The Hearstites rallied this evening. They claim that they can place at least 200 good fighting men on the floor of the convention and force at least a compromise from their opponents.

ALICE ROOSEVELT GOES HOME.

Took Part in Annual Coaching Parade in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, May 15.—Mrs. Theodore Roosevelt, who is visiting her cousin, Mrs. John W. Brock, in this city for a few days, spent a quiet Sunday in the forenoon, accompanied by Mrs. Brock, Mrs. Roosevelt attended services at St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

Fire Loss at Omaha.

OMAHA, May 15.—The fire which started late last night in the pavilion at Krug Park destroyed that structure, the stands, a large bowling alley, hundreds and a number of concession buildings and trees and shrubbery, causing a loss of \$75,000.

WISDOM'S RO-BER-TINE THE ORIGINAL FLUID FACE POWDER CHEMICAL ANALYSIS BY THOS. PRICE & SON, LEADING CHEMISTS OF S. F.

GLAY TO BE ASSISTANT SECRETARY.

Following the usual custom of giving the secretaryship to the county where the convention is held, George J. Clay, of San Francisco, will be elected assistant secretary.

The district delegates will be: W. B. Dewitt, Siskiyou; Thomas Bain, Humboldt; A. Committi, Alameda; Thomas Fox, Sacramento; J. Hurley, Sacramento; M. F. Cochran, Marin; J. S. Akers, Siskiyou; J. H. Hicken, Santa Clara; D. R. Ewing, Fresno; T. C. Butler, Monterey; George Conits, San Joaquin; Dr. Eichelmann, J. H. McCarthy, R. F. Garner, San Bernardino; W. A. Shepard, Ventura.

Los Angeles Headed by Anti-Men.

LOS ANGELES, May 15.—The Hearst forces held a caucus tonight. While no figures were given out, it is claimed that the caucus developed a majority of 60 exclusive of the San Francisco delegation.

At midnight tonight both sides expressed their inability to contest the election of Peterson. To have done so would have engendered much controversy.

OLD GUARD IN CONTROL. Ohio Convention Will Be Dominated by Hanna Men.

COLUMBUS, O., May 15.—The Republican State Convention meets here next Tuesday and Wednesday under the new conditions.

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LAND ONE BLOW

Japanese Cruiser Hit by Russian Torpedo.

FLAMES ENVELOP VESSEL

Daring of Young Officer and Crew in Talienwan Bay.

ATTACK IN NAPHTHA LAUNCH

Slips by Torpedo-Boat Pickets of the Enemy, Loose a Single Death Message and Make Good Their Escape.

LIAO YANG, Saturday, May 14.—(Delayed.)—The Russian fleet scored its first distinct naval success of the war on May 13 by torpedoing and crippling through the sinking of an armored Japanese cruiser in Talienwan Bay.

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he still has a serious difference with Viceroy Alexieff, who has complained in a telegram to the Emperor, which did not pass through the hands of the military censorship, that Kurapatkin does not heed his orders or advice.

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MURPHY'S SMILE GROWS.

Charles F. Murphy is becoming more and more confident that the Parker boom is fast waning, and he declares everything indicates that the Judge's strength is becoming less every day.

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HIGH WIRE PARTS

Four Young People Are Plunged Into Truckee.

AERIAL TRAMWAY FALLS

Heroic Effort of Men to Save Lives of the Women.

ALL LOST IN FIERCE RAPIDS

Pleasure Party of Prominent People of Reno, Nev., Were Taking Trip That Has Been Very Popular—Effort to Find Bodies.

RENO, Nev., May 15.—By the breaking of one of the strands of the suspension tramway across the Truckee River Laughton Springs, five miles west of this city, at 2 o'clock today, four young people, Maurice Jacobs, a young business man of this city; Miss Nina McMillan, daughter of a prominent Reno business man; Mrs. E. S. Ede, Jr., and C. T. Tilsman, of Chicago, were precipitated from the car into the swollen stream and drowned.

The accident was witnessed by Fred Coleman, of San Francisco, who was unable to render any assistance. The tramway consists of two steel cables stretched across the river, upon which a car runs. It is much used by pleasure-seekers. Today the four young people entered the car to cross the river. When they reached midstream one of the strands parted. One piercing shriek was heard and the four were observed for a few moments struggling in the rapids. Both young men were athletes and gave up their lives in an heroic effort to save their companions.

Wrapped in Fatal Embrace. Mr. Jacobs was seen for a few moments swimming with Miss McMillan, holding her above water, then was seen to turn on his back, the better to save her, when she seized him and bore the strong swimmer beneath the current. There was no time that the two young men could not apparently have saved themselves, although at the place where the accident occurred there are swift rapids, the water seething and boiling over great rocks.

Hundreds of people are searching for the bodies of the victims of the accident, but up to a late hour tonight only one has been recovered. Under the direction of Chief of Police Leeper electric lights have been strung across the river at intervals for several miles and nets have been placed. The searching party is exploding dynamite over the stream, but thus far their efforts have been unavailing.

Owing to the prominence of the victims of the tragedy the entire city is in mourning and the river banks are lined with throngs of people. Mr. Tilsman is a prominent business man of Chicago, who was camping at Laughton Springs for the benefit of his health.

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