

ROOF RESOUNDS WITH CHEERING

Independents Wild at Hearst's Name.

STRAIGHT TICKET THEIR CRY

Fusion With the Democrats in New York Scouted.

HISSES AT JEROME'S NAME

First Convention in Empire State Gives Up Half Hour to Ovation for Hearst and Adopts Platform Roasting Bosses.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—The first two sessions of the Independence League, headed by William Randolph Hearst, were held in this city today, the first being called to order in Carnegie Hall at 1 o'clock in the afternoon and the second at 9 o'clock tonight. Temporary and permanent organizations were perfected and amid much enthusiasm tonight a lengthy platform, setting forth the principles of the league, was adopted.

The convention declared positively tonight in favor of the nomination of a full state ticket and instructed the committee on resolutions to draft a suitable reply to W. J. Conners and other delegates to the Democratic State Convention at Buffalo September 26. They had presented a memorial asking the Independence League to defer nominating a state ticket until a conference could be held with the Democrats. The convention also directed the committee on resolutions to consider and report to the convention on the qualification of candidates.

Great Ovation to Hearst.

A feature of the night session was a demonstration following the mention of Mr. Hearst's name, which lasted a half hour. Mr. Hearst did not attend today's session.

There was much disorder in the convention tonight when a motion to adjourn until tomorrow night was made after the routine business had been concluded. Many of the delegates did not want to adjourn and insisted, but amid the clamor for recognition of about a hundred delegates the motion was finally put before the convention at 11 o'clock and was carried with a cheer.

American Flag Everywhere.

The convention was called to order at 1 P. M. today by Max F. Ihmsen, chairman of the league's state committee. The main entrance was liberally decked with flags, and inside the hall was a mass of American flags. The front of every gallery was draped with them, and the stage was fairly ablaze with the national colors. At the back were the arms of the State of New York, surrounded with spread eagles and flanked on right and left by large portraits of Washington and Jefferson.

The opening session was characterized by great enthusiasm, long-continued cheering and applause greeting especially the name of Mr. Hearst and the utterances of speakers which touched upon the freedom of the ballot, the permanence and truth of the principles of the Declaration of Independence, the revolt against bossism and the alleged frauds in the last New York election. Willard A. Glenn, of Syracuse, was selected temporary chairman, and delivered a speech in which he denounced corruption influence in legislation. He referred to Alton B. Parker, Mayor McClellan and ex-Congressman Lemuel E. Quigg as "political figureheads," representing corporate interests headed by Thomas F. Ryan and August Belmont, which statements were greeted with long-continued groans, hissing and hisses.

When Mr. Glenn concluded, the usual committees were appointed and an adjournment was taken until 8 P. M.

Straight Ticket the Cry.

The evening's session was not called to order until 9 o'clock. The delegates came to Carnegie Hall tonight wearing shipping tags on their coat lapels, bearing the words "A Straight Ticket." The galleries were filled to overflowing, and there was a great demonstration when one delegate paraded with a banner which read:

"We Want a Straight Ticket."

Judge Samuel Seabury, of New York, was elected permanent chairman and William A. DeFord, of New York, permanent secretary. Judge Seabury, upon taking the chair, declared that the condition of both the old political parties made the existence of the Independence League a necessity. He said that the praiseworthy efforts of President Roosevelt (whose name was cheered) had been thwarted by influences controlling the Republican party. The reforms needed, the speaker went on to say, included honest administration of public affairs and the casting out of corrupt men in office.

Pandemonium of Enthusiasm.

Just here Judge Seabury made the first mention in the evening of Mr. Hearst's name. Then followed a demonstration which eclipsed even the remarkable outburst of the afternoon. The delegates jumped on chairs, screaming at the top of their voices, waving hats and coats in the air. Finally, in their enthusiasm, the delegates tore down the

large American flags which were so profusely used in the decorations and waved them aloft as the band played "The Star-Spangled Banner." Suddenly at this juncture the cheering ceased and the vast audience joined in singing the National anthem. When the cheer began again and the demonstration, which started at 9:22 P. M., was not at an end until 9:52. The cheering, marching up and down the aisles, the blowing of horns, ringing of bells and singing had continued for just half an hour.

The Platform.

The committee on resolutions and platform reported through Clarence J. Shearn, its chairman. The platform sets forth the fundamental idea of the league as independent of boss rule or corporation control and of any party subject to these. It declares for "a free vote and an honest count" and demands "a revision of the present dishonest and complex election law," a simplified ballot and a law providing for a recount in cases of fraud or mistakes.

The recent life-insurance scandals are referred to at some length. Governor Higgins is denounced for failure to reorganize the State Insurance Department and new elections of the insurance companies is favored in case the present officers at the coming elections "maintain control through connivance of the insurance Department in underhanded and illegal campaigning." The platform declares that a

WARSHIP ON WAY TO TROUBLED ISLE

Roosevelt Orders Cruiser Des Moines to Proceed to the Capital of Cuba.

NO HURRY TO INTERVENE

Close Watch Kept on Developments, but Accurate Information Hard to Get—Army Well Prepared for Action.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—It was officially admitted today that the American cruiser Des Moines, which sailed yesterday hastily from Norfolk, had

state of preparation than when hostilities began between the United States and Spain. The long military occupation of Cuba by the United States troops afforded an opportunity to army officers to become familiar with the island, and probably no part of the earth is better known to the military authorities of the United States than the island of Cuba. In addition to the familiarity of the army officers with the geography and general conditions of Cuba, all of the supply departments are better equipped.

Roosevelt in Close Touch.

The critical situation in Cuba is absorbing the attention of the administration to the exclusion of all other foreign topics, as indicated by the activity of the officials in the State, Navy and War departments. The President at Oyster Bay is keeping in close touch with every development of the revolutionary movement in Cuba, and is in constant communication by wire with the officials here, who, indeed, are even in receipt of detailed instructions from him as to what they shall do.

The prime object of the administration at present is to get at the details, which is no easy task. Particularly is it desired to know the precise strength of the revolutionary sentiment in Cuba, and the relative powers of the Government and the insurgents there.

Mr. Moran, the American Minister to Havana, is understood to be hastening from Europe, where he has been

SLAIN IN DRUNKEN BRAWL AT ST. PAUL

Town Marshal in Vain Attempts to Quell Riot Among Hoppickers.

ANSWERED BY FUSILLADE

Unknown Man Mortally Wounded, Several Others Are Shot and Slayers Escape Before Mayor Sheriff Arrives.

SALEM, Or., Sept. 11.—(Special.)—One man killed, another dying and three more or less seriously injured is the result of a shooting affray which took place in the

disturbance. Trouble ensued and the shooting began. Manacle and several others were also badly beaten up in the melee. Coroner Clough has also started for St. Paul.

NEW APPEAL FOR CHILE

Indifference to Distress May Raise President to Action.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—In view of the indifference shown by the American people toward contributing money for the assistance of the sufferers from the Valparaiso earthquake and fire, it is probable that the President will, in a short time, issue another proclamation calling the attention of the people of this country to the distressing state of affairs in Valparaiso and asking for contributions. The Red Cross headquarters in this city today announced that they had up to date received between \$300 and \$400, but as yet the majority of the branch societies have not been heard from.

NEW ZION IN SOUTH DAKOTA

Many Dwellers, Weary of Bickering, Will Migrate.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Sept. 11.—Scores of families will move from Zion City, Ill., to a new colony to be established in Butte County, South Dakota, according to R. V. Iverson, of Zion City, who arrived here

COAST LINE IS TO BE BUILT AT ONCE

Harriman Is Roused by Gould Movements.

RICH TERRITORY TO BE TAPPED

Santa Fe Lines Will Give an Entrance to Eureka.

COOS BAY IS ON THE ROUTE

Southern Pacific Preliminary Survey to the North Has Been Completed, Connecting Portland to Bay City by Scenic Roadway.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Sept. 11.—The Call will say tomorrow:

"The Southern Pacific has decided to build a coast line from Portland to Eureka. It will run direct from Corvallis, Or., to Coos Bay and from Coos Bay to Eureka. It will run over the Santa Fe line to Camp Five, over the new line which it is constructing jointly with the Santa Fe to Sherwood, and over the line of the California Northwestern to Tiburon.

"Furthermore, a holding company is being organized by President Harriman, of the Southern Pacific, and President Ripley, of the Santa Fe, to own all the trackage between San Francisco and Eureka. The object of this holding company is to permit harmonious joint usage of tracks.

"These properties include the California Northwestern, the North Shore, the Santa Fe line from Eureka to Camp Five, and the joint line between Sherwood and Camp Five. Trains of the Southern Pacific and the Santa Fe will run jointly over the sea line from Eureka into San Francisco. The object of this holding company is to protect this harmonious joint usage of tracks.

Preliminary Survey Completed.

"The announcement of the determination on the part of the Southern Pacific to build a coast line to Portland at once came as a surprise to railroad circles. The announcement was made today that the preliminary survey north had been completed and that the coast route to Portland had been determined upon. Locating engineers have been in the field for over a month, and part of the final alignment has already been completed. The force of engineers has been increased so that the construction work may be begun before the winter sets in.

"It is generally believed in railroad circles that the determination on the part of the Southern Pacific to build at once is to head off a possible hostile movement by the Goulds, who are building the Western Pacific into San Francisco, and who are looking with eager eyes upon the Oregon Coast country.

Spurred by Gould Movements.

"The visit of J. H. McClements, the right-hand financial man of the Goulds, to Portland, has no doubt quickened the Southern Pacific's belief that its rival might capture the territory.

"However that may be, the Harriman line has lost no time sending out its locating engineers and buying up its right of way. The combination with the Santa Fe in the formation of a holding company insures it an overhauling route from Eureka to San Francisco, without the cost of construction and maintaining a new line. It also gets the advantage of the time, as the connection between Sherwood and Camp Five can be built in a short time.

Construction Began in North.

"The construction to Coos Bay from Corvallis has already begun. The Southern Pacific has a line from Portland south to Corvallis. The completion of this line to Coos Bay will be accomplished within a year. The Coos Bay, Roseburg & Eastern Railroad runs 22 miles south from Coos Bay down the Corvallis line. This line belongs to the Southern Pacific and will be extended through the Rogue River Mountains to Luffenholz, following the coast. The little road from Luffenholz to Eureka will be used instead of building a new track.

Will Open a Rich Country.

"The line from Eureka to San Francisco, except for the connecting link from Sherwood to Camp Five, has already been built and will be used as the southern division of the Portland coast line. "The opening of the Coast line to Portland will open up a vast section of rich agricultural, mining and timber lands that have heretofore been almost inaccessible. It will give a railroad entrance into hundreds of Coast towns which have depended upon small steamers for their entire communication with the outside world. When this line is completed it will be possible to go from Portland to Los Angeles by a scenic road running for hundreds of miles within a stone's throw of the Pacific Ocean."

Drain, Or., should evidently be substituted for Corvallis in the above dispatch, as work toward Coos Bay has already begun from this point.

Robbers Loot a Country Bank.

AKLEY, Minn., Sept. 11.—Robbers entered the Bank of Akley early today, blew open the safe, secured \$10,000 and escaped.

FIVE OF THE LEADING FIGURES IN OHIO'S REPUBLICAN CONVENTION



Charles Dick, United States Senator.



J. B. Foraker, United States Senator.



A. L. Harris, Governor.



Myron T. Herrick, ex-Governor.



Thomas E. Burton, Representative.

"searching investigation of every executive department is due the public."

Disgusted With Jerome.

District Attorney Jerome is attacked by many as follows:

"We express the disgust felt by all good citizens over the failure of District Attorney Jerome to prosecute criminally, regardless of their wealth or social position, those guilty of insurance frauds.

On the subject of public ownership the platform says:

"The Independence League believes in the public ownership of public utilities that are natural monopolies. Holding that no person or corporation is privileged to conduct what rightfully belongs to another, it stands for irreconcilable hostility to appropriation by corporations of franchise values created by the community and belonging to the community. Respect for local rights and home rule should authorize the enactment of laws empowering all cities to acquire and operate public necessities.

In conclusion the platform says:

"Honesty in public service, the rule of the majority, equality before the law, regarding the welfare of the whole people, independence of people, opportunity in business, freedom of government from the grip of corruption control—these are the principles for which the Independence League is prepared to battle.

The platform was adopted.

The mention of Jerome's name in the reading of the platform called forth prolonged groans and hisses.

Fusion Voted Down.

Max A. Ihmsen presented to the convention the communication from W. J. Conners, of Buffalo, asking that the Independence League defer making nominations until the Democratic convention at Buffalo, September 25. It was referred to the committee on resolutions with instructions to draft a suitable reply and with the further instructions that it was the sense of the convention that a full state ticket be nominated.

The closing session was all but pandemonium, dozens of the delegates being on their feet at a time, all shouting for recognition, but without action resulting. One delegate got the stage and pleaded in the name of the eight-hour law that he had been 24 hours practically without food or sleep. This caught the spirit of the convention and the chair got order enough to put the motion to adjourn until 8 P. M. tomorrow. This was carried amid great confusion at 11 o'clock.

HEARST'S VIEWS OF FUSION

Favors It Involving No Sacrifice of Principle.

NEW YORK, Sept. 11.—The executive committee of the Independence League State Committee met at the Gilsey House this morning and just before adjournment C. E. Shearn, candidate for District Attorney on the Municipal Ownership League ticket last year, made a vigorous speech favoring the selection of the full Independence League ticket. At the same time he advocated that the league put itself on record as inviting the support of all persons and parties who were in accord with the principles on which its campaign is to be based.

Mr. Hearst made a speech in reply, in which he said:

"Now, gentlemen, I am opposed, of course, to this proposition (Mr. Conners) that has been submitted, and, as has been said, there is no one in this hall who is in favor of it. If the Democratic party has completed its primaries and has elected men who represented the rank and file, and not the Ryan-Belmonts, and had assembled in convention and declared for principles

some southward to Key West with the ultimate intention of proceeding to Havana. If developments within the next two days seem to warrant such action. At Key West the Des Moines will be about eight hours' run from Havana and, while waiting, Commander Halsey will be in close communication with the Navy Department, prepared to carry out immediately any request from the Department of State.

There is no intention in this movement of the Des Moines to show partiality toward one side or the other in the present conflict in Cuba. The ship will be at Havana to serve as an asylum in case of need, and be at the disposition of the American Charge.

Well Posted on Cuba.

In case the United States Government finds it necessary to intervene in Cuban affairs under the provisions of the Platt amendment, forces which would have to be used for that purpose would be found in a much better

on a vacation, to the Cuban Capital, and meanwhile Mr. Sleeper, the Secretary of the American Legation at Havana, is supplying the State Department with a daily bulletin, containing such facts as he is able to gather there.

It is realized, however, that Mr. Sleeper is bound to accept the official rendition of the daily collisions between President Palma's troops and the insurgents in the field. He has no means of securing the rebels' statement of those same occurrences and, in the view of the officials here, there is good reason to believe that the whole truth is not disclosed by either side.

It is the purpose of the administration to proceed with great deliberation in dealing with the Cuban question and it was said on the highest authority that there would be no intervention by the United States unless the rebellion assumed the proportions of a general conflagration. It was further stated that there had been no application from any of the foreign governments for the United States Government to step in and preserve the peace.

saloon of William Murphy, at St. Paul, this county, about 8 o'clock today, the outcome of a drunken brawl in which a crowd of toughs from Astoria, hoppickers, and Town Marshal J. A. Krechter and posse figured prominently.

Marshal Krechter is killed; another, a stranger, whose identity has not been established up to a late hour, is mortally wounded, and Alfred Lambert, of St. Paul, one of the Marshal's posse, is shot in the arm. Two other strangers are shot, but the names and the nature of their injuries are not known here. Sheriff Culver was notified and started for the scene immediately by team.

The principals in the shooting affair escaped and it is thought will resist arrest in case they are overtaken.

The hoppickers were from the Hess-Raymond yard, under lease by Joe Harris, a hobbyist of this city. They had been on an spree all day and made trouble in the saloon at night, when the Marshal and posse composed of Alfred Lambert and Norce Manacle, went in to quell the

on the way to the new country. He said many Zionists, tired of continued blockades, had commanded him to seek a land for the people, establishing a colony and eventually building a city. He predicts a wholesale exodus from Zion.

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