OHIO WILL UNITE TO SUPPORT TAF

Party Leaders Crawl into Bandwagon.

STATE CHAIRMAN SPEAKS OUT

Boss Cox Declares for Harmony to Save Party.

FORAKER QUITE WILLING

State Committee Called to Make Effective Overwhelming Sentiment for Taft-Foraker Is Glad to Hold the Senatorship.

TOLEDO, O., May 8 .- (Special.)-Chairman Walter Brown, of the Re-publican State Central Committee, tonight issued a call for a meeting next Wednesday at Columbus at which it is planned formally to declare for Taft as the choice of Ohio for the presidency. Many prominent Republicans will be invited. Mr. Brown also dictated a statement clearing up his mysterious attitude, saying in part:

The Republican party leaders have undoubtedly at last read the handwriting on the wall and crawled into the Taft bandwagon with much celerity. While various party leaders were urging the wisdom of a primary election, there was abvious impropriety on the part of any member of the committee in arraying himself on either side. Now that such primary has been definitely abandoned. I am very glad to put an end to the apparent mystery out my position,

Will Be Unanimous for Taft.

"Since the state convention of 1935. over which Secretary Taft presided as chalrman, I have believed him to be the logical choice of the Republicans for the presidency in 1908 and I heartily favor the movement to secure for him the unequivocal indorse bent at this time. In my judgment, the meeting of the party leaders and joint committee at Columbus next week will result in unanimous expression in favor of Secretary Taft." Harry B. Kirtland says: "It looks like a compromise, but the people will be prepared to take a whack at any compromise looking to the return of Foraker to the Senate."

Cox Comes Out for Taft.

George B. Cox. of Cincinnati, erstwhile Republican boss of Hamilton County, has informed the men who are leading the fight for the supremacy of the Roosevelt policies, as represented by the Secretary, that the sentiment of the Buckeye State is undoubtedly overwhelmingly for Mr. Taft. Mr. Cox, it is understood, already has prepared, or in a few days will prepare a publi statement setting forth the view, which practically will have the effect of closing the sensational fight in Ohio almost before it has begun, and place Mr. Taft of undisputed home indorsement, who is to lead the progressive fight for control of the next Republican National Convention.

Boss Cannot Help Secretary. Mr. Cox is not plously a bandwagon

His expression of opinion that Mr. Taft has the Republican voters of Ohio behind him will in no sense be better than his personal indersement of the Taft candidacy. Mr. Cox's indorsement would not help the Taft cause in the least, it is not desired and. offered with any view to tying up Secretary as President Roosevelt's suc- tion in this condition, believing a genera cessor, would be repudiated by the man given. But Mr. Cox's surrender is ontirely another matter.

COX COMES OUT FOR TAFT

Ex-Boss Declares for Harmony and

ris for Governor, is the programme advanced by George B. Cox, ex-Republican leader in Hamilton County, in a statenent given to the Associated Press today, Reports from Columbus and Washington agreed at a meeting to stand togethe had named Mr. Cox as engaged in the conduct of negotiations looking toward a compromise between the Taft and Foraker forces, but Mr. Cox denied such suggestions.

"As far as I am concerned," he said, "there is absolutely nothing to this talk, I have retired from active participation. had named Mr. Cox as engaged in the

I have retired from active participation in politics. Of course I cannot absolutely refuse to advise with friends."

he said:

In my judgment the time has come for something to be done. We are on the eve of next Fail's election. Nothing should be done to endanger party success. If you will recall two years ago we had factional directions in the party and our ticket went down to defeat. This, I hope, will not occur again.

occur again.

We must not forget that we must carry
the Legislature next year to elect a United
States Sonator and get much needed legislarion and must elect a Governor and other
state officers. The way to do all this, I
balleve, is for all Republicans to put their
shoulders to the wheel in their several
neighborhoods and see to it that none but
true Republicans represent them. Our

watchword should be, "Success of the Republican Party," and to achieve this we should support W. H. Taft for President, J. B. Foraker for Senator and A. L. Harris for Governor.

I know of no personal differences that I have with Secretary Taft. There may have been some political differences, but they are things of the past and will not be permitted to stand in the way of party success.

was called to Mr. Cox's statement, be

said:

I have just read what Mr. Cox says. If I understand him correctly he makes a specific recommendation addressed to the Republicans of Ohio, as to what their action shall be in the convention of next year. I am not sure it calls for any response from me, but, inaumuch as you seem to think it does, I will repeat that I don't want any political honors at the hands of the Republicans of Ohio except with their party indorsement. Therefore, if what Mr. Cox suggests and recommends should meet with their approval, no one will support Secretary Tatt more cordially than I shall."

Charles P. Taft, editor of the Cincinnati Times-Star and brother of Secretary Taft, when shown the Cox interview.

"Mr. Cox takes a broad view of the matter. He sees the opportunity to elect another Ohio President and very wisely urses that we get together."

TAFT GLAD, BUT KEEPS QUIET Declines to Discuss Presidential Out-

look at Present.

WASHINGTON, May 8.-Secretary Taft, upon being shown the dispatches from



Chief of Police Dinan, of San Fran cisco, Who Disarms Strikebreakers and Protects Cars.

Cincinnati containing the statements ac credited to Senator Foraker and George B. Cox relative to his candidacy for the Presidency and the situation in Ohio, declined to discuss the subject. To a group of newspapermen who sought an interview with him the Secretary said: ... "Boys, I am glad that you have brought

me this news, but I have not a word to say to you about it. It is a matter, you know, that I cannot discuss at this time

TWO CANDIDATES WITHDRAW

Lenroot and Cooper Out of Wiscon sin Senatorial Fight.

MADISON, Wis., May 8.-The drawal of Irwin Lenroot last night as a Senatorial candidate was followed to-

night by the withdrawal of Congressman H. A. Cooper.

The development at tonight's caucus was the gain of Hatton, who increased his yote over the noon-day joint session from The fifty-eighth caucus ballot

BATTLE ON THE WHARVES

NEW YORK LONGSHOREMEN AT-TACK STRIKEBREAKERS.

Strike Forces Steamers to Sail Light and Many Can't Load at All. Two Lines Surrender.

NEW YORK, May 8.-Several ships were obliged to sail today with only partial cargoes, on account of the longshore The delay is being fel men's strike. the movement in favor of the keenly. The strikers find much satisfac protest from mercantile interests would whose interest it ostensibly was impel the steamship owners to grant the demands for higher wages. The liners

sailed as usual today.

Thirty-five men are in the hospital as a

result of a fierce riot tonight, more are in jail. Striking longshoremen attacked 600 Italians and Poles acting as strikebreak-ers, when the latter attempted to leave Foraker Falls in Line.

CINCINNATI, May 8.—Party harmony, with Taft for President, J. B. Foraker for United States Senator and A. L. Harris for Governor, is the programme ad-Commissioner Bingham issued an order

to all commanders of station-houses to hold all their men in reserve. Nearly a score of companies have and fight the demands of the men. Thus

rious ships, these men have made but small inroads in the mountains of freight that are accumulating at all important shipping points. The big trans-Atlantic companies, however, are set their ships nearly on schedule

with only a small part of their usual

ference, but neither party wants arbitra

Will Entertain Peace Conference. is, I THE HAGUE, May 8.—The lower house of Parliament yesterday voted \$40, but 000 for the reception of the delegates to Our the second peace conference.

POITOU WRECKED

Goes Ashore on Coast of Uruguay.

LOSS OF LIFE PUT AT 100

Women Jump Over and Swim Ashore.

CREW STICKS TO VESSEL

Heavy Gale Blowing Makes Rescue Work Difficult, but Ready Hands Do All in Power to Help Those Who Remain.

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, May 6.-The French transport Maritime Poitou, from Marsellles April 6 for this port, has been wrecked off San Jose Ignacio, on the coast of Uruguay. She is understood to have had 300 passengers on board, and, according to late reports, nearly 200 of these have been rescued and are on their way to this city. The vessel and her cargo will probably prove a total loss.

The casualty list has been reported at 160, but this has not been corroborate I. The government is doing everything possible to succor the shipwrecked people. San Jose Ignacio is a small rocky promentory surrounded by reefs, 21 miles west of Cape St. Maria, on the southeastern of Uruguay and about 150 miles from Montevideo

The vessel was driven on the rocks yes terday. She lies 30 yards from shore. A heavy gale has been blowing for several days, and is still continuing. This renders the work of rescue very difficult. The efforts to get the remainder of the passen gers and crew to land are being contin ed with untiring energy.

Panic broke out on board the vessel when she grounded, and a number of terror-stricken people jumped overboard. According to a report a number of women managed to swim ashore, but many were drowned. It is known that customs officers at Rincon de Perrero saved 50 pas

Those still on board the vessel can be een from shore making despairing sig-

mals AGENTS THINK LOSS LIGHTER

Report to Home Office Says Crew and Passengers Safe.

MARSEILLES, May &-According to dispatches received here from the agents of the company that owned the French steamer Poltou, wrecked on the coast of Jruguay, all the passengers and crew are safe. The passengers are being trans ferred by steamer to Buenos Ayres. The crew will remain on board until all hopes of refloating the vessel are abandoned The dispatches say there has been no loss There were 160 passengers or board the Polton, mostly Spanish emi-

GRABBERS GIVE UP COAL

Government Recovers 1200 Acres St. Louisans Are Involved.

ST. LOUIS. May 8 .- Twenty-nine St. Louisans have been summoned to appear before the Federal grand jury at Denver May 23 to tell what they know of a supposed scheme to combine a large number of coal-land claims un-

der the control of some syndicate, whose identity has not been publicly established.

PORTLAND, OREGON, THURSDAY, MAY

DENVER, May 8 .- It is stated that DENVER. May 8.—It is stated that the subpenas were issued on the Government's belief that several St. Louisans had signed blanks for coal-land claims in Colorado, with no intention of actually taking up and working the claims themselves, but with the intention of turning the claims over to some combination of persons.

The law prohibits the granting of more than 160 acres to one person or more than 640 acres to any combination of persons. It is said the land-claim blanks have not only been circulated in St. Louis, but in other parts of the country.

WASHINGTON, May 8.—The Attorney-General has received a dispatch from Denver that officers of the Department have secured the surrender of patents for about 1200 acres of valuable coal lands illegally entered in Colorado, and the deeds to the Government for the same will be put on record forthwith. The value of the lands is estimated at \$200,000.

Rich Mexicans Fight for Love.

PUEBLO, Mex., May 8.—Larce Jandere, millionaire owner of several haciendas, and Jose Marabellaran, municipal director of Tiatlangui, both aspirants for the hand of the daughter of a prominent planter of this district, fought a duel with pistols in the streets this morning, both being mortally waveled. morning, both being mortally wounded. Both men fell badly wounded at the first fire. They continued firing until each had received wounds from which physicians say they will not recover

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FELKITATIONS DOCTOR.

CAMPAGE OF COURSE IF YOU WANT

VIGOROUS ACTION REPELS RIOTERS

9, 1907.

San Francisco Police Guard Streetcars.

GAUNTLET OF MISSILES

Club Assailants Freely and Punch With Fists.

EXCITING SIX-MILE TRIP

Stones, Hatchets and Red Pepper Hurled at Cars-Another Death From Tuesday's Riot and Still More Are Expected.

SAN FRANCISCO May 8.-The police for the first time since the commencement of the streetcar strike furnished actual protection this afternoon for two of the United Railroad's cars manned by 21 strikebreakers, and as a result of this protection these cars were run over six miles of track without the firing of a

Four men, one of them a strikebreaker, the other three members of the Electrical Workers' Union, were injured. There was intermittent hurling of missiles by unloa crowds at various points along the route and for two or three miles a mob of at least 1000 men and boys ran with the cars, yelling, calling epithets, daring the nonmion men to get off the cars and fight and cheering vociferously whenever for one cause or another the cars were

'Cars, Horses and Autos.

About 30 police officers and patrolmer led by Chief Dinan, some of them in autos, a number mounted on horses and others afoot, accompanied the cars. Assistant President Thornwell Mullally, Superintendent Chapman and other officers of the United Railroads kept pace in automobiles with the cars.

The route selected was through the better class business and residence streets of the Western Addition and the Richmond district from the carbarus at Oak and Broderick streets to Stanyan, to the Diamond crossover at Haight, to Page, to Divide, to Sacramento, to Lake, to Sixth avenue, to Clement, to the Eigthavenue crossover and return by Fulton, Stanyan, Hayes, Devisadero, and Oak streets. The start was made at 3 o'clock and the run was completed two hours

Police Act With Decision.

From its commencement to its finish the termination in dealing with the hooting, howling crowds. When necessity arose, they did not hesitate to draw their clubs and use them and as a result a number of heads were broken, but the cars came

The fact that cars were to be started from Oak and Broderick instead of from Turk and Fillmore streets did not become generally known until after the hour, and the main crowds remained around the latter point of congregation until a few mir utes after 2 o'clock, when two covered wagons containing the 21 strikebreakers who were to man the cars emerged into Turk street from the company's yards and were driven at a gallop to Oak and Broderick, mounted policemen escorting.

Strikebreakers All Unarmed. Captain Gleason had instructions from

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Chief Dinan to board the cars with a detail of officers as soon as any disturb-Page 16, ance was made and search the operatives

for revolvers. He was to arrest and send to headquarters any of the strikebreak-ers whom he found armed. These instructions were conveyed to Mr. Mullally after the arrival of the nonunion men and after a brief conference Mr. Mulially gave his word that none of the carmer would be armed. This promise was rig-idly kept and there was no search by the

The start from Oak and Broderick at ! o'clock was a tame affair compared with yesterday's experiences. Chief Dinan, Captains Martin and Gleason, Police Commissioner Haggerty and Office: McKevitt led in an automobile. The crowd of 500 or 600 men and boys col-lected at the starting point did nothing more serious than to how! and jeer as the cars proceeded out Oak.

First Blood for Rioters.

The first stone was thrown at McAllis ter and Devisadero streets by a union man. It struck John Davison, one of the guards, in the mouth and laid his lip open to the bone. He was knocked to his knees on the platform. The sight of blood streaming from the man's face caught the eyes of the mob as Davison staggered to his feet, and they set up a cheer. The cars were stopped at once and Mr. Chapman left his automobile and went to the injured man's aid. He boarded a car, while the crowds hooted and led Davison to an inside seat. He



men's Union, Who Is Managing the San Francisco Strike.

h...... for 10 or 15 minutes, while the car was

Second blood was drawn at Hayes street and Masonic avenue, where three members of the Electrical Workers' mounted on a supply wagon, blocked the track and refused to move. Mounted Officer Budd finally lashed the men's norses with his quirt and got the wager out of the way. The electricians, curs ing and promising revenge, forced their wagon in between one of the cars and an automobile and kept pace, meantime reviling the strikebreakers. Budd ordered them off and, to enforce the order, struck the union driver several stinging man responded with fist blows and finally,

as Budd rode alongside, struck him in Commercial Club, where addresses were the face with a pair of heavy pliers. At this point half a dozen policemen came M. Bennett and A. B. union men until blood flowed freely from gashes in their heads, and dragged them bodily from their wagon. They were arrested on a charge of assault and sent

to the Park Precinct Station.

Hatchet Flung at Car. When Hayes and Divisadero streets were reached, a large crowd packed the thoroughfare and blocked progress. Here the men had trouble in making a switch and for 10 minutes stones flew from the hands of the strikers and their friends. Several throwers were collared by officers and knocked down with fist blows and clubs. At this place a carpenter working on a scaffolding threw hatchet. It found lodgment in the foremost car, but struck no one. The man was captured by two officers after a short chase and was arrested for assault

with a deadly weapon. At another point on Hayes street a bartender stepped out of a saloon and tossed a revolver into a light wagon driven by H. R. Hoag, proprietor of the Rapid Press Company. Hoag picked the weapon up, and the police, not advised of the circumstances and thinking that he had pulled the gun and was about to shoot, seized him and took the pisto away. He explained the situation and was released.

Officer Steiner, one of the most active in forcing back the crowds, broke his club in beating a striker and thereafter

made use of his fists. Red Pepper Misses Mark.

One of the last acts of violence that featured the exciting six-mile run of the cars happened after passing from Hayes int Devisadero. A striker ran up along red pepper at the guards. The aim fell

The two cars that ran the gauntlet o the mobs were Nos. 1298 and 1385. H. Balall was the controller of the former and R. A. Strothers operated the latter. After the return to the carhouse at the general offices at Oak and Broderick streets, Mr. Mulially stated that cars will thought it best not to divulge the starting time or give the route in advance. of the strikebreakers manned the cars today came from Ken

Of the thirty-odd persons who were shot or otherwise wounded in yesterday's pitched battles on Turk street four are expected to die This would increase the number of deaths to five, as James Walsh died last night. Many of the others among the injured were removed to their homes today

Separate conferences of United Rall roads officials and officers of the Carmen's Union were held with Mayor

WARMLY GREETED ALL ALONG LINE

Business Party at End of Its Journey.

ENTERTAINED BY BOISE CLUB

H. M. Cake and Senator Fulton Speak for Visitors.

RETURN TO OREGON TODAY

Portland Excursionists Royally Received on Short Side Trip, Visiting Ontario, Weiser, Payette, Caldwell and Nampa.

BOISE, Idatho, May 8 .- (Staff corespondence.)-Having arrived at the end of their journey tonight, the Portland excursionists will leave Boise Thursday afternoon on their way back to Oregon and will arrive in Pendleton Friday morning.

At Boise the visitors have been royally entertained by the business men of this city, who tonight held a reception in their honor at the com-mercial Club. The visitors were welcomed formally by A. E. Carlson, prestdent of the club, and Judge J. H. Richardson. The responses for the Oregon party were made by H. M. Cake, chairman of the party for the day, and Senator Fulton

Run Back Into Oregon.

All of today was spent by the exursionists in Idaho, except for a short run back over the Oregon line to On tario, on the Oregon Short Line. The towns visited were Welser, Payette, Caldwell, Napa and finally Bolse. At each of them the excursionists were ordially received.

At Weiser, the early morning stop, a reception committee consisting Mayor J. R. Numbers, R. C. McKinney and E. M. Shelly, greeted the Portlanders. Mayor Numbers formerly a Portland resident, made an address of welcome, and F. E. Beach responded.

The visitors rode through the city in vehicles supplied by the citizens.

Weiser has a population of 3500. Ride Up Payette Valley.

At Payette, the visitors were treated to a ride to Payette Valley on the railroad, during which they inspected the rich farming country. Returning to Payette they were escorted to the made by Mayor J. A. Coughnavur, J. sponses were made by H. M. Cake and C. S. Jackson.

At Ontario, James A. Lackey, Mayor, and G. A. Hogue, president of the Commercial Club, escorted the visitors

through the streets. At Caldwell and Nampa.

Ontario was eager to show that had the Oregon Legislature appropriated \$15,000 for a bridge across the Snake River, a large part of the trade of Payette Valley could have been drawn

Payette Valley could have been drawn to Ontarlo, on Oregon soil.

At Caldwell the Portlanders were escorted to the Commercial Club and listened to addresses by J. B. Goodwin, B. F. Clay and Menry, Griffith. Responses were made by J. P. Finley and Perkins. The party spent an hour and a half at Nampa. There they were met by a committee of Boise citizens who escorted them to this

city.

The Portland men are very much impressed with the evidences of rapid progress in agriculture and horticult. and in the cities in this part of

FREED OF MURDER CHARGE

WRIGHT, WHO CONFESSED POI-SONING WIFE, DISCHARGED.

Chemist Finds Woman and Daughter Were Accidentally Killed by Carbon Monoxide.

DENVER, May 8.-The trial of Benjamin c. Wright, charged with the mur-der of his wife and 5-year-old daughter, was brought to an abrupt conclusion towas brought to an abrupt conclusion today when, after hearing the testimony
of Professor W. D. Engle, itstructor of
chemistry at Denver University, counsel
for the state, at the request of the District Attorney, announced that the case
against Wright would not be continued,
and the jury, in accordance with instructions from the court, returned a verdict
acquitting the defendant.

Professor Engle said that he had examined the viscera and other organs of
the woman and her child and testified
that carbon monoxide poisoning, generated, he believed, by a gas heater, was
the cause of death.

The bodies of Mrs. Wright and her
daughter were found in their home on
February 25 last. Wright himself, ap-

February 25 last. Wright himself, ap-February 25 last. Wright himself, apparently unconscious, was taken from the house by the authorities and after being placed in custody confessed to the Chief of Police that he had committed the crime. However, he can give no reason for the double nurder and persisted in the statement that he had no recollection of how it was accomplished. This confession he afterwards repudiated and it was not referred to at his trial.

The Wrights came to this city several years ago from Benton Harbor, Mich.

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