

BRYAN MEN STILL THREATEN BOLT

But Populist Convention Goes Ahead.

OPPOSITION TO NAMING TICKET

At Least Three, Possibly Five, States to Secede.

ALL DELEGATES OLD MEN

Chairman Ferris Tells How to Cure Nation's Ills—Resolutions Committee Buried Under an Avalanche of Planks.

ST. LOUIS, April 2.—The Nebraska delegation, which is here trying to secure a postponement of the Populist National Convention in the interest of William J. Bryan, made no progress today after two sessions were held, at the conclusion of which a permanent organization had not been effected.

The first contest came at the afternoon session, when A. M. Walling, of David City, Neb., vigorously protested against the manner in which members of the committee on credentials were chosen.

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Six of the nominations were by acclamation, as the candidates were the present Republican state officials and were elected on a second term without opposition.

Cheers Leaders Liberally. Mention of President Roosevelt, Vice-President Fairbanks, the names of the two United States Senators from Indiana and Governor Frank J. Haney brought from the galleries bursts of enthusiasm.

Plank on Tariff. The platform begins by "unreservedly and enthusiastically" indorsing the administration of Mr. Roosevelt and pledging the convention to continued support of his policies.

The last convention of the Republican party in the State of Indiana declared in favor of revision of the tariff whenever such revision would do more good than harm.

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UPPER COURT TO DECIDE IMMUNITY

Ruef Asks That Judge Dooling Be Forbidden to Try Him.

HENEY CONDEMNS COURTS

Says They Interpret Laws to Aid Criminals and Thereby Provoke Mob Violence—Ach Exploits Ruef's Wrongs.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—With the views of Judge Maurice T. Dooling, as announced from the bench, that an immunity contract is non-existent in law, illegal if entered into by a District Attorney and unenforceable by a defendant, indicating a probable adverse ruling on the objection of Abraham Ruef to further proceedings against him because of the promise of immunity made to him by the prosecution but afterwards rescinded, Ruef, through his attorneys, today made application to the State Supreme Court for a writ of mandate and petitioned for a writ of prohibition. The application and petition are identical with the ones denied yesterday by the District Court of Appeal. The Superior Court is asked to prohibit Judge Dooling from continuing the trial of Ruef and to issue a writ of mandate ordering him to transfer the case to another department of the Superior Court.

Henev on Perversion of Law.

Assistant District Attorney Francis J. Henev this afternoon replied to the argument of Frank J. Murphy, who raised the question of the immunity contract before Judge Dooling this morning and contended that through Ruef's reliance upon the promise made him, his constitutional rights were invaded when he testified before the grand jury and that he was entitled to be permitted to attack the validity of the indictment.

Laws apparently are not made for the purpose of protecting society against criminals, but are made to aid criminals in escaping justice. No wonder such technicalities are so quick to trip through mob violence. It is just such trifling with the law that brings about such a state of public mind as makes mob violence so-called.

What Ruef Should Do.

Touching upon the immunity contract, he stated that it was unenforceable, but could be considered by the Governor after a conviction as the grounds for a pardon. Mr. Henev suggested that it would be wise and expedient for the defendant to plead guilty and submit to the Governor the question of immunity and leave to the wide discretion of the state executive whether Ruef had acted in good faith and had earned immunity.

Quick Retort to Ach. "Political bosses and millionaires would not be bribing and lawyers like you would be starving," interjected Mr. Henev. Mr. Ach will conclude his argument tomorrow morning.

Judge Lawlor this afternoon ruled that affidavits of Drs. Nieto and Kaplan and of Ruef would not be admissible in the disqualification proceedings brought by Tiry L. Ford. The defense submitted its case upon the showing made against Judge Lawlor and the prosecution will file its affidavits tomorrow afternoon.

FIRE PANIC IN TENEMENT

Three Persons Die and Many Are Injured by Jumping.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Three persons were killed, 15 were injured, some of them seriously, and the lives of nearly 100 persons were endangered by fire in a five-story tenement-house, at No. 44 Hester street, early today.

The dead are: Bessie Weinstein, his wife and their 1-year-old son. They were suffocated and burned in their apartments on the fifth floor. Police aroused the 16 families, who, scantily clad, jammed the fire escapes until they could not move and fifteen men, including a woman, were thrown from second and third-story windows and broke legs and arms, and one of them, David Miller, fell die. Weinstein and his wife and baby had been overcome by the smoke while trying to reach the blazing stairway.

Hanan Shows at Rosenthal's

It was reported in the neighborhood that too much chloroform was used, but Mr. Clark denies that this was the cause of the death. He said that the death was caused by a weakness of the heart that could not be detected before the operation began. It was a weakness, he said, that developed after the operation was undertaken.

The funeral was held yesterday afternoon, with interment in Rose City Cemetery.

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ASIATIC ASSOCIATION PROTESTS TO COMMITTEE.

Says Injustice Done in Not Hearing Judge—Entitled to Gratitude of Good Citizens.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The Judiciary committee of the House of Representatives is asked to refrain from casting aspersions upon the judicial character and methods of Judge Wilfley, of Shanghai, in a letter sent by the executive committee of the American Asiatic Association and made public today.

It urges the committee to withhold its approval from those portions of the reports of its subcommittee which reflect upon Judge Wilfley, and declares that the committee fully discharged its duties in finding that the charges, even if supported by legal evidence, furnished no grounds for impeachment of the Judge.

The communication asserts that a gross injustice has been done to the judge in ensuring indifferently his court without giving him a hearing, that members of the American Asiatic Association who have observed Judge Wilfley's methods

CARTER IS EXONERATED. Winnemucca Coroner's Jury Says He Shot in Self-Defense.

RENO, Nev., April 2.—A special from Winnemucca says that the coroner's jury summoned to inquire into the death of H. Armstrong, who was killed at that

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place a few days ago by William H. Carter, formerly of Kirby, Or., brought in a valuable fully encumbered Carter. The testimony showed that Armstrong, who was drunk and looking for trouble, drew a revolver on a man named Fitch in the Palace saloon, and when Carter, who is manager of the place, interfered, turned the gun on Carter. Before Armstrong could shoot Carter drew his own revolver and shot Armstrong dead.

Armstrong was recently from Oklahoma and posed as a bad man.

Arrested on Eve of Wedding. ST. PAUL, April 2.—Guy H. Morris, son of a business man of Austin, was arrested at Austin yesterday, a short time before his intended marriage to a young woman telephone operator of Austin. The charge is stealing \$1500 worth of diamonds from Jennie Smith, of Spokane.

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Since his return from the West, he purchased a heavy stible at Austin. The police here say he pawned jewelry to the value of \$500 in a local pawnshop, and that he promised to return to Spokane without requisition papers.

Favors Building for Walla Walla. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Walla Walla, April 2.—Senator Anthony has secured a favorable report on his bill authorizing the erection of a public building at Walla Walla to cost \$200,000.

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Advertisement for Silverfield's fur coats and women's suits. Includes text: 'LARGEST AND LEADING FUR MANUFACTURERS OF THE WEST.', 'FRIDAY AT 8 A. M. - SPECIAL SALE', 'WOMEN'S SPRING SUITS', '20 DIFFERENT STYLES', 'Lot 1. \$25 AND \$30 SUITS \$18.75', 'Lot 2. \$35 AND \$40 SUITS \$24.85', 'Grand Corset Cover Special', 'COLLEGE COATS FOR GIRLS \$4.35', 'PANAMA SKIRTS EXTRA SPECIAL AT \$10.50', 'PERFECT FACILITIES FOR FUR STORAGE', 'OF INTEREST TO TRAPPERS—Sell your Furs to the Manufacturer direct.' and an illustration of a woman in a fur coat.