UNEARTHS PLOT TO DEFEAT TAFT

Washington Star Finds New Sensation.

OPPOSITION TO "STAND PAT"

May Win at Chicago.

ROOSEVELT MAY SPOIL ALL

Should He Finally Accept if Taft Can't Be Named, Scheme of Favorite Sons Would Come to Naught.

Walter Wellman to Chicago Record-Herald WASHINGTON, April 28 .- (Special.) ome surprise has been expressed that the various candidates for the Republican nomination should all "stand pat," Privately, they and their friends agree that Taft is to have clear majority of the Chicago con

Intimations were recently throw out by members of the Taft coterie that if one of the opposition were to publicly withdraw in the Secretary's favor, thus clinching the whole thing it might easily follow that the Vice-Presidency would be the reward for this action. There has been no response to this invitation. All of the opposition candidates stand firm, notit is understood that they have a secret understanding, by the terms of which everyone is to go into the convention and fight it out.

Fear to Trust Delegates.

The firmness of the allies has given rise to a somewhat remarkable story of a political plot which the Washing ten Star published conspicuously tonight without absolutely vouching for its accuracy. For some time there have been hints that the opposition intend trying to heat Taft with President Roosevelt himself. Now the Star asserts some of the Taft people claim to have discovered a well-organized plot with that end in view,

As the story is published, the allies take President Roosevelt at his word when he says that under no circumstances will be again be a candidate They do not believe that he could afford to accept, no matter what conditions would arise, but they are ever listrustful of what he might do. They know that a great political draum is among the possibilities at Chicago. They have information from many sources in the West and South that the men who have been elected as was accompanied by Mrs. Evans and Dr. Taft delegates are at heart for P. E. McDonald. The Admiral is making Roosevelt.

Minority Sees Chance to Win.

They have an idea that their leadrs are going to arrange matters so that at the right moment Roosevelt will be nominated in the mightiest hurrah ever seen. The allies see how easy it might be to stampede the convention before a ballot is even taken and they are said to be willing.

President Roosevelt would be in close touch with the work of the convention. Before it could get through with the nomination of a Vice-President and doing other necessary work he could send a telegram eliminating himself. In fact, the ailles would be careful to see that the convention did not adjourn until be had been communicated with. The President having declined in such way as to make him an impossibility and Taft being disesed of, the allies are then to get busy and nominate one of themselves.

Roosevelt Might Spoil It All.

It is a very pretty story, but it is extremely improbable there is anything more in it than the dream of some individual as to what might be stampeted to Roosevelt and place him in nomination by a well-nigh unanimous vote, he might upset the tice little plan by accepting, instead of declining.

All the probabilities are that Taft will be nominated on the first ballot. His friends are not worried about the ird term or the second elective ter specter. That is, not very much wor-

TAFT INDORSED IN COLORADO

Programme of Republican Organization Is Carried Out.

PUERLO, Colo., April 28 .- Six delegutes-at-large to the Republican Na tional Convention at Chicago instructed to support William H. Taft were lected by the Republican State Con cention which was held here today, he slate of the regular organization ing adopted without opposition, Delates-at-large to the National con-

tion were chosen as follows; rawford Hill, Denver; Dr. Huber rk. Pueblo; William Lennox, El Paso unty: Horace T. De Long, Mesa; mas F. Walsh, Arapahoe, and W. A.

rake, Larimer. After commending President Roose-

elt, the platform says; Hilliam H. Taft, of Ohio, the most logial and the most available candidate, He

learning is deep, his ability unques-tioned, his character above reproach and his experience in administrative affairs varied, comprehensive and successful.

'As the administrative head of ou National Government, we are confident that he will faithfully carry out the prin-ciples of our party, that he would preserve the confidence of the people, pro-tect the rights of all classes, promote our industrial weifare and continue the peace-ful and honorable relations now existing between our country and the other nations of the earth."

TAFT SPENDS A BUSY NIGHT

Makes Three Public Speeches in New York.

NEW YORK, April 28.-Secretary of War Taft made a flying visit, the last before his departure for the canal zone Secret Compact Whereby One for a few hours in New York tonight, and in that brief period covered an itinerary calling for three addresses in different parts of the city. The Secretary

left on a midnight train for Washington



ardinal Gibbons, Who Delivered Principal Address at Catholic Celebration in New York Vertering York Yesterday.

Secretary Taft addressed a mass meet ng at the Waldorf-Astoria or the New York state branch of the American National Red Cross Society and after a Civic Forum in Carnegie Hall on "Delays and the Effect of the Enforcement of Laws in This Country."

Later the Secretary was hurried to Terrace Garden, where he spoke at the Pst Upsilon dinner. Mr. Taft was a that it has refused to carry out the terms

called attention to the need of a big emergency fund for the Red Cross.

D. C. Delegates Not Instructed.

WASHINGTON, April 28,-At the Republican primaries for the District of Columbia held today delegates to the Chicago convention were not instructed.

Evans Takes Auto Ride.

PASO ROBLES, Cal., April 28.-A bright road to Templeton and even beyond. He rapid progress and his presence at San Francisco is practically a certainty.

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PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Solution of Land-Grant Problem.

RAILROAD'S CLAIM SATISFIED

Has Sold Part for Enough to Equal Total at Maximum.

SCHOOL FUND NEEDS IT

Irreducible Fund Would Be Doubled and Development of State Greatly Aided-Wrong Already Done Would Be Righted.

SALEM, Or., April 28 .- (Special.)-That the Oregon & California land grant, if recovered by the United States Governent, should be donated to the State of Oregon as an addition to the irreducible school fund, is the opilnon of Superintendent of Public Instruction J. H. Ackerman who will head a movement to have the Oregon delegation in Congress take steps to have such a grant made as soon as the and has returned to the ownership of the United States.

"No better disposition of the land could be made," said Superintendent Ackerman today in discussing his idea. "The land was granted by the Government to aid the development of the State of Oregon through the building of a railroad. The Government fixed a maximum price and established other restrictions as to sale of the land.

Railroad Has No Claim.

"As I am informed, the railroad com pany sold part of the land for practically enough money to make up the total to which it would be entitled at the maximum rate on the whole grant. The company has therefore no further claim to the land, especially in view of the fact member of the Psi Upsilon Society at of the grant and ald in the development of the state. Having once granted the At the Red Cross meeting, Mr. Taft land, there is no reason why the Gov ernment should now desire to retain it. It ould not use the land for the develop nent of the state to better advantage than by turning it over to the public schools of the state.

"If the land were so donated to the state, proper restrictions could be made to prevent its sale to speculators. So much of it as is located on the headwaters of streams could be withheld from sale by he state and made a forest reserve for the conservation of water. The state could adopt the plan of selling the mature warm day tempted Admiral Evans to timber, and not the land, thereby protecttake an automobile spin over the oiled ing the young growth of timber and preserving the forests for future generations.

\$4,000,000, would be practically doubled. All the children of the state would get in 1852.

proved condition of the public schools would very appreciably aid in the development of the state. The original purpos of the grant has been accomplishe through the building of the railroad. The progress of the state has been retarded ause the land was not placed on sale under the terms of the grant. The Goverument should make such disposition of the land as will most nearly remedy the wrong that has been done."

FANATIC MURDERS CHILD

Head of New Religious Sect Kills Brother's Daughter,

ALLENTOWN, Pa., April 28.-A report of a horrible murder by a religious fan-atic in the Borough of Alhance, near here, reached this city today. Council-man Henry Smith's little daughter was killed by the former's brother-in-law, Robert Bachman, of Nazareth, Pa., while on a visit at the Bachman home. Bachman was the head of a new praying band and last week he got the Smiths inter-ested. They went to Bachman's house ested. last Saturday, prayed and held services and then decided to stay until the spirit told them to leave.

only child. May Irene, 5 years old. When Mrs. Smith entered later, she found her daughter dead on the floor and Bachman on his knees alongside in a religious frenzy. Bachman was arrested and his wife told the Coroner's jury that the child had been killed by God and that her husband was God. Smith and Bachman are brawny cement mill workers.

WRECKAGE THAT OF A SHIP

Large Sailing-Vessel Probably Wreck Off Northern Coast.

VICTORIA, B. C., April 28.—The steamer Fees, from the Vancouver Island Coast, orings further information concerning the wreckage recently washed ashore near Carmanah, Roby Daykin, who investi-Carmanah. Roby Daykin, who investi-gated the wreckage, was among the passengers of the steamer. He says there is no doubt that the wreckage found is new. There was neither slime nor barnacles, nothing of the growth which soon

science the finding of the wreckage previously reported, a large amount of empty cases, whisky cases and others, have been found in the vicinity of Nitinak. Stanley Wood, a timber cruiser who came from the vicinity of Nitinak, said there were an unusual amount of these cases ntly washed ashore.

Daykin says the wreckage seemed pos-itively to indicate that some large sailing vessel, a ship or a bark had met with Three trunks found on the rocks west ward of Carmanah Point were of the usual American pattern, wood covered with tin. They were broken and empty.

RABBI VOORSANGER DEAD

Noted Religious Leader Expires Suddenly in San Francisco.

MONTEREY, Cal., April 28 — Rabbi Jacob Voorsanger, of San Francisco, died of beart disease at the Hotel del Monte last night. Dr. Voorsanger was about the hotel during the evening, apparently in good health. He retired shortly after 10 o'clock and complained to his wife about a pain in his heart. to his wife about a pain in his heart. He fell over on the bed and expired almost immediately. A doctor was quickly summoned, but found him dead. body is being sent to San Francisco

this afternoon.
Rabbi Vorsanger came to America at pastor of Jewish congregations at Phila-"At the same time, the irreducible delphia, Providence and Houston, Tex., leaving the latter city in 1888 to come to leaving the latter city in 1888 to come to San Francisco as rabbi of the Temple, 200,000, would be practically doubled.

Norris Gives Strong Testimony.

PRICES ARE FIXED ARBITRARILY

Publisher States Reasons for Making Charge.

MILLS NOT INDEPENDENT

Have No Voice as to Their Own Output-Dealers of United States and Canada Are Bound

by Agreement.

WASHINGTON, April 28.-Before the select committee of the House which is investigating the subject of the tariff on wood pulp as affecting the price of news print paper, and also whether there is a combination of paper-makers in restraint of trade, John H. Norris, representing the paper committee of the American Newspaper Association, today submitted further evidence in support of the association's charge that such a con dition exists and that the price of pape

has been arbitrarily raised. He refuted the contention of the man ufacturers that this increase in price has been partially due to higher freight rate: and submitted a communication from the Interstate Commerce Commission show ing the freight rates from the principa mills to the larger consuming points from which it appeared that with one or two exceptions there had been no Increase for several years, and in two in stances the statement showed a reduc tion in rates.

Why Not Buy Mills?

Members of the committee asked Mr Norris many questions about the closing of Canadian mills. Mr. Mann remarked that it seemed rather strange that with the great advance in the price of papel and the opportunity of the Canadian mills to furnish paper at the high price they would be compelled to close at this because they could not be operated profitably. He thought the Publishers Association should seize the opportunity to acquire some of these properties.

Mr. Norris replied that his association received on an average three proposition a week containing options for location of news print paper mills in Canada with limitless timber tracts, and numerous power sites. He said that on Consular report showed that in th Province of Quebec there was 745,000,000 cords of wood pulp timber, "enough to keep the United States in spruce wood for all its paper manufacture for over 200 years if there was not a particle of reproduction in other Canadian forests.

Hearst Not Worried.

Mr. Norris was subjected to a cross fire of questions by the committee bearing on the quantity of paper consumed

ris asserted that those publications took one-fourth of the entire output of the International Paper Company, or 300 tons a day.

"Do you know at what rate Mr. Hearst gets his paper?" Chairman Mann

Mr. Norris said he knew only from

street gossip.

Asked by Mr. Stafford if there had en any talk about Mr. Hearst's contract, Mr. Norris said there had been considerable. He mentioned prices of \$1.92, \$1.94 and \$1.96, and said he understood that some comparatively recent settlement had been made, but whether it was an entirely new deal or the re suit of an old contract providing for readjustment at a given time, he could not say. He was not, he said, informed as to the length of the contract period. Mr. Norris volunteered the statemen that the New York Journal was not in sympathy with the present inquiry.

Slap at This Coast.

The vast forest resources of the Pa ific Coast, available for pulp, were re-



Rabbi Jacob Voorsanger, of San Who Died at Monterey Monday Night.

ferred to by Mr. Norris, but he said that because of insufficient water power, advantage could not be taken of Mr. Mann called attention to the

proposition in Congress for water

rights on the Snake River, Washing-

ton, which he said the President had anounced his intention to veto. "Why don't you go up to the Presi-ient and use your influence with with

him?" he inquired. "If," said Mr. Norris, "you knew how amusing your talk is to me, you would appreciate some of the things you are

When, shortly before 5 o'clock, the bell rang for the yeas and nays on a motion in the House to take a recess, Mr. Mann, for the second time, re-

Mann Is Sarcastic.

"Well, your self-appointed prophet as again interfered with this hearing and requires us to adjourn, contrary to our inclination, and the committee therefore stands adjourned until to-

morrow at 10 o'clock. Mr. Norris made no reply.

During the morning session, Mr. Norris quoted a great many statements from newspapers to show that the mills did not control their own output, but on the other hand there was a complete understanding between them as to the distribution of product and the fixing of prices. He asserted that the manufacturers met annually to determine orices. The purpose of his testimony was to show that there was a complete understanding among the papermakers State Senator John Hinchliffe, ex-Mayor and that their customers, the newspaper publishers, were entirely subject to their control in the matter of prices. A number of statements from publishers regarding their efforts to secure paper rom Canadian mills were introduced by Mr. Norris, evidently for the purpose of James Martine and James H. Barch, Sr. showing that there was an understanding between the Canadian mills and the milis in the United States.

A Bit of Repartee.

Shortly after 12 o'clock the bells rang n announcement of the fact that there was no quorum in the House, and this caused Mr. Mann to remark to Mr. Nor-

prophet and special ally (Mr. Williams) has demanded that we stop here, and he is doing it to help you hasten this hear

For the first time Mr. Norris made reply to remarks of this character. He said: "If your professed friends in the ma jority would do what they avow themselves extremely anxious to do, this proposition would have been passed four weeks ago and there would not have been

any rollcalls on that account." Mr. Mann responded that he did not see how the publishers could claim to have any friends in the majority, considering the abuse they had given that side. Mr Norris declared that there had been no abuse, "unless you consider me the repre

sentative of a number." Made Free for All.

During the afternoon sitting Mr. Mann stated that he had notified members of the House that if they had constituents who were interested in this inquiry the committee would be glad to hear them. Mr. Mann also received communications from M. El Stone, secretary and general manager of the Associated Press, transmitting resolutions adopted by the association, in which immediate relief from the exactions of the papermakers was

Six Killed in Collision.

DETROIT, April 28.—Six persons were killed and a score or more injured, some of them fatally, when a limited car, east-bound on the Detroit-Jackson & Chicago Electric Railroad, generally known as the Ann Arbor line, collided with a regular car four miles east of Ypsilanti today.

FROM PLATFORM

Wild Scene in South Carolina Convention.

COLORED MAN HOLDS GAVEL

Row Follows Introduction to Revenue Collector.

FINALLY RESTORE ORDER

Delegates Get Down to Business and Indorse Roosevelt's Administration-New Jersey Fails to Instruct Delegates for Bryan.

COLUMBIA, S. C., April 28.-The Republican state convention convened here today.

Just before the convention was calle to order for the afternoon session E. Thompson, a negro, took charge of the chair and was presiding over a recess meeting at which various delegates were speaking

Captain John G. Capers, United States Collector of Internal Revenue, and National committeeman from South Caro lina, stepped upon the platform and was introduced by Mr. Thompson as "a good Democrat," After this the two men faced each other and Thompson brandished a large hickory stick which he was using as a gavel, in the face of Capers. Seeing that the negro was bent on a row, Captain Capers hurled him from the platform, the negro falling upon his head.

By this time the hall had filled up with delegates and visitors and there was a rush for the platform, as if to do Capers harm. Friends of Capers came to his assistance. For 10 or 15 minutes pandemonium reigned. Chairman Deas finally restored a semblance of order and the convention proceeded to business.

The resolutions adopted commended the administration of President Roose welt and Congress and pledged support to the nominee of the Republican co ention at Chicago, whoever he might be.

NEW JERSEY NOT FOR BRYAN

Delegates Uninstructed Except for Unit Rule. TRENTON, N. J., April 28.-Today's Democratic state convention to elect del-

egates to the National convention at Denver selected a delegation that is uninstructed except as to voting under the unit rule. A resolution to instruct the delegation in favor of W. J. Bryan wan voted down. Ex-United States Senator J. Smith who is an anti-Bryan man, was in full

control and succeeded by a large ma-

jority in defeating James E. Maritin, of

Union County, a personal friend of Mr

Bryan, who wanted to go to Denver as a delegate-at-large. Amid a great deal of disorder, late this afternoon, the convention selected ex-United States Senator James Smith, Jr. Frank S. Katzenbach, of Trenton, and ex-Judge Howard Carrow, of Camden. as delegates-at-large to the Denver convention. There were seven candidates, the defeated candidates being Robert Da vis, of Hudson County, a Bryan man, Ex-Mayor George Avellman, the tem-

porary chairman, in his address attacked the administration of President Roosevelt and the Republican administration of this state. "This has been the day of the big stick," declared he. "Predatory wealth has been severely denounced. Undesirable citizenship has been publicly branded; men have been proposed, elected and initiated into the Ananias Club with lightning rapidity, nature fakers have been taught that there is only one reliable source of authority; race suiciders and mollycoddlers have been castigated, and spontaneous outbursts of denuncia

WOULD HAVE ARKANSAS DRY

Republican Platform Declares for Prohibition-Taft Men Chosen.

HOT SPRINGS, Ark., April 18.—The Republican State Convention which methere today, after indorsing Secretary Taft for the presidential nomination, selected the following state ticket: Governor, John E. Worthington: Secretary of State, T. O. Fitzpatrick; State Treasurer, N. B. Hurrows, Frank Youngs, State Auditor, A. M. Kadar, State Land Commissioner, J. H. Edwards, Commissioner of Mines and Manufactures, W. E. ioner of Mines and Manufactures, W. E. Yager: Railroad Commissioners,

Yager: Railroad Commissioners, K. A. Norman, Henry Thane and E. F. Klein; Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, E. H. Vance, long term.

The delegates at large to the Caicage convention are Howell Clayton, H. M. Rennel, F. W. Tucker and J. E. Bush. They were instructed to vote for the nomination of Secretary Taft as long as his name is before the convention. Bush is a negro.

is a negro.

The administration of President Roosevelt was eulogized and a plank was writ-ten in the platform declaring for state-wide prohibition.

Are Split Over Foraker.

ACKERMAN, Miss., April 28.-Repubtleans of the Fourth District split to-day, one instructing for Foraker and the other uninstructed. Both factions indorsed Roosevelt's administration.

