Promptly Answers a Telegram From Bryan, Asking for His Views.

POSITION IS WELL KNOWN

Republican Presidential Candidate Cites Letter Written Senstor Burrows on April 30, Giving Measure His Hearty Approval.

WASHINGTON, May 26 .- When Secretary Taft reached his office today he found a number of newspaper men charged with inquiry as to what ans-wer he intended to return to the invitation of William J. Bryan to join him in an effort to secure the enactment of a bill requiring publication of campaign expenses. The Secretary repiled that had not seen any communication from Mr. Bryan on this subject, and in fact it was several hours later before the telegram reached him as follows:

"I beg to suggest that as leading candidates in our respective parties we join in asking Congress to pass a bill requiring publication of campaign con-tributions prior to election. If you think best we can ask other candidates to unite with us in the request. "WILLIAM J. BRYAN."

Taft Gives Out Answer. .

Secretary Taft had meanwhile, and before he had received this telegram, had a talk with the President at the White House, so that he was prepared immediately upon his return to the War Department to give out for publication his answer, as follows:
"Hon. William J. Bryan, Lincoln

Your telegram received. On April 30 last I sent the following letter to Senator Burrows, the chairman of the com-mittee on privileges and elections, as

'My Dear Burrows-I sincerely believe that it would greatly tend to the absence of corruption in politics if the expenditures for nomination and elec-tion of all candidates and all contributions received and expenditures made by political conventions could be made public, both in respect to state and National politics. For this reason, I am strongly in favor of the purposes of the bill which is now pending in the Senate and House, bringing about this result so far as National politics are con-

Why It Is Personal.

"I mark this letter personal because

Democratic Convention Declares Him Elected and Lauds Bryan.

FORT WORTH, Tex., May 26.—The State Democratic Convention to select 36 delegates to the National Democratic Convention at Denver assembled here

The state executive committee can-vassed and promulgated the returns of the vote cast in the primary election held on May 16. The result shows a majority of 22.994 for the ticket headed by Senator Joseph Weidon Balley for delegate-at-large.

by Senator Joseph Weldon Balley for delegate-at-large.

The state committee recommended as temporary officers a full set of the supporters of Mr. Balley. Will Poindexter, of Cleburne, was selected as temporary chairman. His speech was laudatory of Mr. Balley and William J. Bryan and evoked intense applause. The convention recessed until tomorrow.

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WILL CONTINUE STRIKE

Cleveland Carmen Trust Cause 40 Referendum on Franchise.

CLEVELAND, O., May 28.—"The street railway strike will proceed," said Vice-President Behner, of the Railway Men's Union, tonight. President Du Pont, of the Municipal Traction Company, said the strike is broken.

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An effectual stop was put to all further efforts at arbitration by the declaration today of Mr. Du Pont that he would arbitrate nothing that might interfere with the men now at work.

Mr. Behner asks stated that the strike would be continued along the lines of gaining public confidence by means of meetings, some of which have been held. It is intended to hold more. The union will also devote considerable time to the bringing about of a popular vote on the franchise under which the traction company is operating, under the state initiative-referendum law. Mr. Du Pont stated that he would de-

one this work to clearing up all labor troubles and next week he would dismiss the matter entirely from his mind. Cars are now running on full schedule in the city. Mr. Du Pont says, and he is ready to operate in the suburbs as soon as the barrier of the suburbs as soon as the

boys attacked some of the trolley cars operated by men who had taken the places of the striking motormen and conductors. The company decided not to operate cars until later in the day or until police protection is provided.

The attack on the cars began early last night, soon after the last troop of the State Police, who had been on duty here for weeks, left for their barracks in another part of the state. There were no disturbances here while the State Police were on the ground. The cars were not molested, but they carried very few passengers.

A half-dozen cars were attacked last night in different sections of the city, and several were stoned while passing through near-by towns. Several shots were fired also, but no one was seriously injured.

Mayor Johnson today said:

"We will take care of the situation this time ourselves. We have sworn in extra policemen, and I have instructed them in a crisis to shoot to kill!"

At noon the traction company began to run some cars and there was no attempt to molest them. They carried no passengers. Mayor Johnson this afternoon issued a proclamation warning all persons to keep off the streets after dark, and declaring the intention of the city authorities to protect the company's property and its men at any cost.

CROWDS CHEER FALLIERES

GORGEOUS BALL GIVEN BY KING EDWARD TO PRESIDENT.

Wealth and Beauty of London Displayed in Jewels and Directoire and Empire Gowns.

LONDON. May 28.-At Buckingham Palace tonight a great state ball was given in honor of M. Fallieres, president of the French republic. This was the culminating feature of a busy day of entertainment spent by King Edward's guest. Everywhere the French president has gone he has been greeted with the greatest enthusiasm, and early in the evening immense crowds gathered about the various royal residences to witness the processions to the palace and to cheer

the president of France.

The scene within the walls of Bucking ham Paince was one of exceptional bril-liancy. The royal guests assembled in the throne soom and a fanfare of trum-pets heralded their entrance to the ball-room, which was superbly decorated with flowers.

King Edward and Queen Alexandra, ac-companied by M. Fallieres and the royal entourage, passed down the entire length of the great room between rows of bow-ing and scraping guests.

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By the King's command the ladles'
gowns were all of special shades of color,
most of them being fashioned after the
"directoire" and "empire" periods.

All the embassies were well represented and many high Indian officials
were present. There was a magnificent display of jewels and orders.

M. Fallieres heid a reception to the
Gaelle Colony in London at the French
Embassy this morning, after which he
made a round of ceremonial calls upon
members of the English reigning house.
In the afternoon, accompanied by
King Edward and Queen Alexandra,
he paid a state visit to the FrancoBritish exhibition. Huge crowds gathered wherever there was a possibility
of seeing the President pags and
cheered him lustily.

BAILEY CONTROLS IN TEXAS said, but he may wish to call him at any time, and desires to have him within

NEW METHODIST BISHOPS

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tors, corresponding secretaries of various boards, trustees, a new commissi aggressive evangelism and a number of other officials.

Extend Mission Work.

Among the recommendations which the committee on foreign musions has de-cided to make to the conference is one locking to endorsement of the Laymen's

Union of Methodism.

Rev. Mr. Thomas L. Lewis, Rev. Mr. A. L. Reynolds and J. W. Herring, the special commission appointed by the Methodist Protestant General Conference at Pittsburg last week, as a return delegation to respond to the overtures looking toward organization with the Methodist Episcopal Church, were

the Methodist Episcopal Church, were introduced today.

The response of the Methodist Protestants, as given by Dr. Lewis, was that that body believed in and was easer for organic union, but because its membership is found both North and South, it is most desirous of joining a united Methodism. They desire to make their movement toward union a means toward a larger union of the Methodist Episcopal Church North and the Methodist Episcopal Church South. To add to the mementum of sentiment toward this larger union, the Methodist Protestants are asking the United Protestants are asking the United Brethren denomination to co-operate with them in seeking this end, in this way responding to the overtures re-ceived from the United Brethren looking toward organic union between the Methodist Protestants and that body.

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IS STILL GROWING

Fourteen Refugees Are Swept Away From Island in the Red River.

OKLAHOMA SUFFERS MOST

Texas Rivers Are Subsiding and Few Additional Fatalities Are Reported From That State-Property Loss Many Millions.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., May 28.—A special from Collier, Okla., near the Texas line, says that 14 persons who had taken refuge on an island formed between the new and old channels of Red River, were drowned late today, when the flood waters covered the place where they had taken refuge.

Although weighted down with a train of ballast, the "Katy" railroad bridge weat out at 9 o'clock last night. The river is over three miles wide and is cutting a new channel around the town.

Three children of J. H. Robertson, a ferryman, were carried to death when the river swept away a tree in which they had taken refuge, south of Lawton. Will and Newt Stidham were drowned near Henrietta while attempting to leave their home in a skiff.

WATER FALLS AT DALLAS.

Death List Almost Certain to Be Increased.

DALLAS, Tex., May 26.—After doing damage of over \$1,000,000, drowning at least three persons, and rendering 4000 persons in Dallas homeless, the Trinity River today is falling slowly. It is believed that when the water has receded it will be found that the number of deaths will be increased.

The workmen who were carried down with the Texas & Pacific Railroad bridge yesterday have not all been accounted for.

for.

Frank Edwards lost his life last night by falling into the back water on Mc-Kinney avenue, in the heart of the residence district.

Dallas business men are raising funds to succor the distressed and homeless. The city is still without lights and water, the plants being inundated. A few street-cars are being operated by power furnished by private companies. All the railroads are practically tied up, but few trains being able to enter or leave Dallas.

FORT WORTH FEARS WORST

Trinity River Rises Again and Conditions Are Serious.

The second of the company which it is quite possible is shall never have the right to assume, but so far as my personal influence in concerned, I am anxious to give it for the passage of the bill.

"Very sincerely yours, "WILLIAM H. TAFT."

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ing a bridge at Grapevine were hemmed in by the rising waters on Monday. They sought refuge on top of a big water tank and at last accounts were still on the tanks, surrounded by four miles of water. An attempt will be made to rescue them.

OKLAHOMA FLOODS RECEDING

Damage to Property Estimated at \$10,000,000-Eight Lives Lost.

GUTHRIE, Okla., May 26.-The aun is shining in Okiahoma today, and the flood waters are fast receding. No additional loss of life is reported, and the homeless

With miles of tracks washed out and Missionary Union. Another recommends the naming of a commission to arrange for a proper celebration of the 25th anniversary of the establishment of Methodism in Corea. The same commession will ask the conference to appropriate for mission work \$8,000,000 for 1900, \$4,000,000 for 1910, \$5,000,000 for 1911 and \$6.000,000 for 1912.

Union of Methodism.

With miles of tracks washed out and bridges damaged or destroyed, the rall-roads are still demoralized; train service on many lines must remain annuiled for several days yet, while on others only a partial service is possible. The damage to crops and railroads can, of course, be only roughly estimated, but a conservative figure places the aggregate at close of \$10,000,000. It marks the costliest disaster aver sustained either in Oklahoma or the Indian Territory or by the new State of Oklahoma.

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At Muskogee the Arkansas River continued to rise up to last night, but this morning began gradually to lower. At that point 2500 consumers are still without gas as a result of the principal main breaking.

In West Guthrie, where more than 500 houses were submerged, the water drained off fast today, and conditions began to assume a normal aspect.

Around Shawnee, Sapulpa, Tulsa, Jenks and other points hundreds of railroad laborers are at work repairing tracks and bridges. At Stigler the Canadian River has made a complete change of course, and railroad bridges that formerly spanned that stream are rendered useless.

PILLAGING THE CAPITAL

Mulai Hafid's Troops Loot Homes of Sultan's Friends.

MEQUINEZ. Morocco, May 20.—Since the arrival here of Mulai Hafid, the usurping Sultan of Morocco, all the government buildings, the dispensary and the houses of the friends of Abe-el-Azis, the Sultan of record, have been looted and pillaged and the money obtained confiscated by Mulai Hafid. Hafid is planning to leave here for Fez. May 28.

Arrested for Late Playing.

Because he played a plane after 10 o'clock last night in violation of an ordinance passed recently by the City Council, regulating the playing of planes in public places, Joseph Warthelmer, proprietor of a moving picture show, at



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