



BALTIMORE SUN DESERTS BRYAN

Pillar of Democracy Is Out for Taft.

MEANS VICTORY IN MARYLAND

Republicans Win Every Time Sun Bolts Ticket.

SUN SAYS TAFT IS SAFER

Country Needs Man of Balanced Judgment as President, Not Swinging Either Big Stick or Big Club.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Something of a sensation was caused in political circles today by the announcement of the Baltimore Sun, a Democratic paper, that it would oppose W. J. Bryan and support W. H. Taft in the present campaign. The attitude of the Sun this year has been in doubt, and now that it has come out for the Republican National ticket, it is believed Maryland will give her electoral votes to Taft.

The Sun is the oldest newspaper in Baltimore and one of the most influential journals of the state. It has always been looked upon as a Democratic paper and a great majority of its readers are Democrats. Apparently it has never lost much circulation or influence by bolting the party nominations, however, because it opposed Bryan in 1896 and supported him in 1900, because of its opposition to imperialism. It supported Parker four years ago.

Maryland Thrice Republican.

In all these three Presidential elections the Republicans carried the state. McKinley had a plurality of 22,000 in 1896, and of 14,000 in 1900. Mr. Roosevelt squeezed through with a plurality of 51 in 1904. Normally the state is Democratic, as is shown by the fact that in 1899, 1903 and 1907, the Democrats elected their candidate for Governor. The Legislature is heavily Republican, but the best opinion is that the defection of the Sun will give the state to Taft.

The Sun's argument that Taft would be a "safer" man than Bryan is summed up in this way:

Reason for Supporting Taft.

"The Sun is convinced that the 'arm of the law' personified by a President of balanced judgment, with a thorough knowledge of the law—a man of steady purpose, just and resolute—would prove a better defender of the rights of the people, would do more to promote their material welfare, than the big stick has been in the hands of Mr. Roosevelt or than the big club could do in the hands of Mr. Bryan. It is our deliberate judgment that for the next four years the material interests of the people of this country would be safer with Mr. Taft at the head of the National Government than with Mr. Bryan. We further believe that, while lawbreakers would be brought to account by Mr. Taft with as little fear or favor as Mr. Bryan could display, the methods employed by Mr. Taft would not curtail the workingman's opportunities for employment by disturbing the business of law-abiding men and corporations, as has been witnessed in the last few years."

EDWARD IS AT MARIENBAD

Active Old Austrian Emperor Bids Him Farewell.

ISCHEL, Aug. 13.—King Edward left for Marienbad, where he will take the waters, this morning. Emperor Francis Joseph, who displayed wonderful activity during King Edward's visit, was at the railway station to bid his royal visitor farewell.

MARIENBAD, Aug. 13.—King Edward arrived here today from Ischel. Tomorrow he will begin his annual cure.

CHOLERA GAINING GROUND

Death Near Tolstol's Estate—Great Epidemic at Tzaritzin.

ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 13.—A death from cholera has been reported from a town in Tula Province, close to the estate of Count Tolstol. At Tzaritzin, where the epidemic has been most severe, 235 cases and 150 deaths have been registered since the outbreak.

DITCH QUARREL IS FATAL

One Man Dead, Another Shot, Near Vernon, B. C.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 13.—Superintendent Hussey, of the Provincial police, received word today that John Anderson shot and killed J. R. Leighton and wounded J. R. Brown at Vernon, B. C., this morning following a dispute affecting an irrigating ditch. Anderson was arrested.

SOLDIERS KILLED IN AUTO COLLISION

MACHINE CRUSHED LIKE EGG-SHELL BETWEEN CARS.

Two Occupants Hurlled to Pavement and Die Almost Instantly. Motormen in Jail.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—Sergeant Major A. H. Belyea and Master Electrical Sergeant C. H. Jones, attached to the Presidio military forces, were almost instantly killed this evening when thrown from a runabout automobile which was crushed between cars running in opposite directions at Market street and Van Ness avenue.



Congressman W. F. Hephburn, Who Assures Taft of Victory in Iowa.

Jones was handling the car and Belyea was seated beside him. They were riding down Market street and Jones drove the car across the path of a car bound for the Ferry. He had almost cleared the first track when an outward-bound Valencia-street car struck the auto, hurling it against the High-street car. Jones and Belyea being thrown out, striking the pavement with much force. They were unconscious when picked up and both died within a few minutes. The auto was of frail construction and was a complete wreck.

Jones and Belyea were married and each leaves a widow and child residing at the Presidio reservation. The motormen in charge of the two cars were taken to the city prison and charged with manslaughter. The accident occurred during the rush hour and traffic on Market street was tied up for almost an hour.

WILD CHASE FOR BAD MAN

Idaho Officer Fires Two Shots on Streets of Walla Walla.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Springing up Main street to the crack of a huge revolver in the hands of a deputy sheriff from Idaho, George O. Dale, said to be a bad man and wanted for stealing \$10, drew about himself a crowd of 100 men, women and boys this morning and was arrested in the most sensational manner. Dale came from Caldwell, Idaho, where it is said he rifled the cash drawer of a hotel. Deputy Sheriff Moore followed him here and this morning undertook to arrest him on Main street, shooting at him twice. Instead of stopping, Dale rushed up the street, back into an alley, across to Alder street and then, doubling back, quietly entered ex-Mayor Kellogg's clothing store and bought a collar.

While the crowd and Moore were searching the hotel, Chief of Police Davis quickly arrested Dale. Moore and his prisoner left for Caldwell this afternoon.

LEAVE ALL TO DELEGATES

Roosevelt and Leaders Reach No Agreement on Governorship.

OYSTER BAY, Aug. 13.—The net result of today's political conference between President Roosevelt, three members of the New York state executive committee and Congressman W. W. Cook is that the situation in regard to the Governorship nomination remains unsolved. Those participating in the conference informed the Associated Press that no decision was reached by the President and his conferees as to the selection of the man to be nominated at the Republican state convention at Saratoga next month to head the Republican ticket in New York at the election next Fall, or as to any other matter.

So far as it is possible to learn, the President approves of leaving the question of Governor Hughes' renomination open until the convention meets, and then letting the delegates themselves decide.

TAKEN AFTER LONG CHASE

Nels Holverson Accused of Violating Local Option Law in Union.

LA GRANDE, Or., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Nels Holverson, accused of selling liquor in violation of the prohibition order, was captured today by Constable Faulk, after a lively chase of 60 miles through the Blue Mountains. The warrant for Holverson's arrest followed a saloon brawl at Hilgard. Two charges stand against the prisoner.

TAFT DECLINES TO MAKE COMMENT

Denies Interviews on Bryan Speech.

MUST GIVE IT CLOSE STUDY

If Answer Is Made It Will Be From Rostrum.

HEPBURN HAS GOOD NEWS

Iowa Representative Calls on Republican Nominee With Optimistic Report From State—Says Lacey Will Try for Toga.

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Aug. 13.—No comment for newspaper publication on the acceptance speech of W. J. Bryan is to be made by W. H. Taft. This decision was announced by the Republican candidate today, even before he had an opportunity to read the Bryan speech. This reading, he said, he wished to do with great deliberation and, should his perusal make a reply necessary or available, it will be made the subject of a speech or included in a speech Mr. Taft may make at some future time. His next speech will be delivered here a week from next Friday to a gathering of Virginia Republicans who are coming to the mountains for a rally.

The West Virginia politicians who still remain here have telegraphed for A. C. Sherer, the independent candidate upon whose arrival tomorrow it is said an understanding will be reached as to which questions will be placed before the Republican National committee for solution in the desire to eliminate one of the two state tickets or ascertain which of the two shall be recognized by the National committee.

Hephburn Among Callers.

Representative Hephburn, of Iowa, who at the request of Speaker Cannon is to spend most of his time in the East this Summer giving personal attention to the construction of the new Congressional office building, is here for a day or two with Mr. Taft. Mr. Hephburn has just returned from Iowa and is in a position to give Mr. Taft first-hand information on the situation in his state, particularly with reference to the changed conditions brought about by the death of Senator Allison.

It is understood that ex-Congressman John F. Lacey and Governor Cummins will eventually be the opposing candidates for the Senatorial vacancy. For the present Mr. Hephburn regarded a public discussion of the situation from him as inopportune, although he predicted the state would give Taft a plurality of 80,000.

Qualification over the showing toward perfected organization made yesterday by Frank H. Hitchcock, Republican National chairman, was expressed by Candidate Taft today.

Praise for Hitchcock.

"Yesterday's conference was really the first business meeting I have had with (Concluded on page 4.)"

GIRL STIFLES IN GAS-FILLED ROOM

SUSPICION OF LOVE AFFAIR IS BEHIND HER DEATH.

Frances Sholes Despondent, but Mother Says Heart Disease Was Cause of Suicide.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Miss Frances Sholes, 19 years old and a well-known member of the younger social set in Evanston, was found dead in a gas-filled bedroom in her home in the North Shore City this morning. The girl was the daughter of E. Sholes, former manufacturer of the Sholes typewriter, who is now separated from his wife and is living in New York.

The Evanston police are investigating her death to determine whether or not it was accidental. The door of the girl's room was locked and a passer-by had to be called in to break it down when Mrs. Mary Sholes, mother of the victim, noted the odor of gas. The mother later gave out a statement that Frances had died of heart disease, which aroused the police. The mother admitted, however, that her daughter had been despondent for the last three weeks. She denied that the girl had a love affair.

GUN EXPLOSION MYSTERY

Inquiry Into Couronnet Disaster Falls to Reveal Cause.

TOULON, France, Aug. 13.—A preliminary investigation has failed to show the exact cause of the gun explosion on board the schooner Couronnet yesterday, which resulted in the killing of six men and the wounding of 18 others, but it has been established that there were in reality two explosions, the second being caused by flames from the first igniting a cartridge which a sailor was holding in readiness to recharge the gun. The hands of the man who was holding this cartridge were torn off and several other sailors were badly burned by the second explosion. The condition of several of the wounded men is critical.

WILL NOT WALK INTO TRAP

Taylor Denies He Will Go to Kentucky for Trial.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 13.—The Evening Post says: "It is announced today on authority of a client of ex-Governor W. S. Taylor that Mr. Taylor will return to Kentucky from Indianapolis for trial on a charge of complicity in the murder of Governor Goebel."

REBUKE TO SPIRITUALISTS

Woman Warned Not to Revive Dead by Faith Cure.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 13.—Coroner Jerome today decided not to hold for court Mrs. Fannie Sout and Miss Florence Beckman, who were found praying near the partly decomposed body of Dr. L. Emerson Wheeler yesterday. The coroner issued a certificate of death from Bright's disease. He severely reprimanded the women for their spiritualistic vagaries and warned them against the practice of attempting to restore the dead to life by their alleged faith cure.

ASSERTS RIGHT TO GIVE REBATE

Harriman Attorney's New Doctrine.

NEED NOT TREAT ALL ALIKE

Inherent Right to Give Big Shipper Lower Rate.

MUST SHOW EVIL INTENT

Dunne Makes Startling Argument on Rate Laws in Defense of Southern Pacific Before California Railroad Commission.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Peter F. Dunne, attorney for the Southern Pacific Railroad in its defense against the charge of illegal rebating before the Railroad Commissioners, today insisted strongly that a common carrier could not be guilty of unjust discrimination unless the rate complained of was made with "an evil intent." He held further that the railroad was entirely justified, the Attorney-General to the contrary notwithstanding, in making better terms to large shippers than to their small-tray rivals.

Mr. Dunne also touched upon the matter of competition and held, in opposition to the arguments of Messrs. Benjamin and Cushing made the day before, that it was part of a company's inherent right of contract to take competition into consideration in making freight schedules.

Not Bound to Treat All Alike.

"At common law, the carrier is not bound to treat all alike," said Mr. Dunne. "He is only bound to give everybody a reasonable rate. The California statute of 1878 makes a railroad guilty of unjust discrimination, if it willfully charges one shipper more than another for the same service rendered at the same time between the same places, in the same direction and for the like quality of freight. The word 'willfully' is conspicuous by its absence in the interstate commerce act. It must mean something, and the courts have held that in a penal statute, such as the 1878 statute is, it implies on the part of the offender a purpose to do wrong. Even if General Freight Agent Luce discriminated unjustly in making tariffs, it cannot be held that he intended to do wrong so long as he acted according to his lights and on economic grounds."

New View of Discrimination.

Mr. Dunne then called attention to the words "like quantity" as used in the law and went into an extended analysis of the lumber and fruit traffic, his general contention being that these youthful terms are also young. They each had to have the consent of their fathers before they could obtain the necessary marriage licenses.

Miss Celestine Poirier will become the wife of Horace J. Samve, aged 18, and Miss Ernestine will wed Alexander Bucher, aged 18.

GIVE JEWELS TO HEATHEN

Delegates of Christian Church Wildly Enthusiastic.

LONG BEACH, Cal., Aug. 13.—Unprecedented enthusiasm for foreign missions was displayed at the morning session of the convention of Christian Churches of Southern California and Arizona. When the call came for contributions to aid Rev. Royal Dye and his wife to prosecute their mission work in the Congo, men and women vied with each other in giving money and sacrificing their jewels.

Gold watches and chains, gold bracelets, rings and diamonds were cast into the basket to the value of many hundreds of dollars.

KILLED HIS BABY BROTHER

Small Boy Plays Soldier With Tragic Result at Oceano, Cal.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Aug. 13.—Ralph Maxwell, the 3-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Maxwell, of Oceano, was killed by his brother Robert, 5 years old, this afternoon. The two little fellows and their sister Beatrice, aged 7, were playing in the rear of the house. Robert fired with a revolver in his baby brother's mouth, and pulling the trigger, fired. The charge entered the jugular vein and the little victim expired within five minutes.

COLLEGE ATHLETE DROWNS

Charles Richardson Meets Death in Surf at Hueneeme.

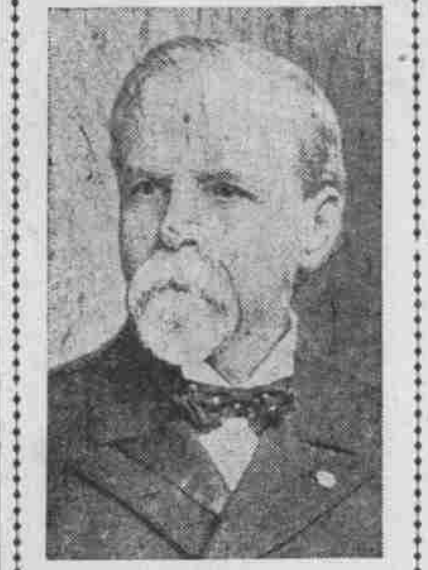
VENTURA, Cal., Aug. 13.—Charles Richardson, a well known all-around athlete of the University of Southern California, was drowned at Hueneeme at 5 o'clock this afternoon. Richardson had been camping at Hueneeme, with a number of others he went in bathing and was caught in the undertow. Boats were within 50 feet of him, before he sank for the last time. The body has not been recovered.

CHILDREN MOURN MANY DEAD BIRDS

HOLD GREAT FUNERAL FOR 2000 VICTIMS OF STORM.

Covering Little Bodies With Leaves and Flowers, They Offer Prayer With Tears.

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—(Special.)—Three hundred children wept and older persons turned faces away today, when the youngsters gave a public burial to more than 2000 birds which lost their lives in the terrific storm of the last two days. The little, fluffy, lifeless bodies were



Ex-Congressman John L. Lacey, of Iowa, Candidate for Senator Against Cummins.

consigned to one generous grave, lined with roses and covered tenderly with leaves and wild flowers.

Before the earth was shoveled into the grave one of the larger boys in a voice broken with emotion read the following prayer, prepared by one of his older friends:

"We are very sorry, dear God that all these poor birds had to die, for we would like to have them stay around in the trees, but we needed rain, and guess you know what is best, and we hope that you will take them all to Heaven. Please make us kind to all animals and birds. Amen."

The little girls in the audience wept profusely and the boys made various shifts to conceal their emotion as the grave was filled and covered with leaves and other floral offerings.

TWIN GIRLS OF 16 TO WED

Yakima Maidens Take 19-Year-Old Boys for Husbands.

NORTH YAKIMA, Wash., Aug. 13.—(Special.)—M. Polier of this city called at the Courthouse today and gave his consent to the marriage of his twin daughters, who are but 16 years of age.

All things considered, this double marriage will be about the youngest marriage in the county. The husbands-to-be of these youthful twins are also young. They each had to have the consent of their fathers before they could obtain the necessary marriage licenses.

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"OF COURSE, I DON'T WANT TO DICTATE, BUT I THOUGHT I MIGHT MAKE A MILD SUGGESTION."—T. R.

