

BRYAN'S STAKE IS HIS POLITICAL LIFE

Fight on Parker Not Made for Fun.

PROGRESSIVENESS IS GOAL

Clark Trying Hard to Be Friend of All Sides.

FEAR OF STAMPEDE GROWS

Nebraskan Said to Have Speech Up His Sleeve That Will Make 1896 "Crown of Thorns" Effort Look Like Tyro's Essay.

BALTIMORE, June 24.—(Editorial Correspondence.)—Mr. Bryan is taking his political life in his hands by his war on Parker, but Bryan has run that risk so many times that he is not alarmed at the prospect of defeat. Bryan, indeed, has many political lives. The loss of one of them makes but little difference in the general record. Possibly defeat adds to the ultimate sum of his power and authority in the Democrat party and before the country.

Bryan Tries to Turn Party.

Does anyone imagine, for example, that if Bryan had been elected President once or twice, he would be the same idolized Bryan he is today? Bryan is not merely a war on Parker for fun or merely to show his strength. He is trying to turn the face of the Democratic party at the outset in the direction of progressiveness and radicalism. The National committee has, indeed, turned him down, but the voice of the National committee is by no means final.

Now, Bryan will go on the floor of the convention and captain his forces in person. He will be the central figure in the convention's actual work. The convention is to be forced to choose between Bryan and Parker. The result to follow from the preliminary contest will be momentous and decisive.

Clark Tries to Avoid Fight.

The situation is critical for all the candidates, but it is fraught with particular danger for Champ Clark. The weakness of Clark's candidacy lies in the fact that he poses as the friend of all. He is deeply anxious to make enemies of none. He is striving valiantly not to get caught in the collision between Bryan and Parker. He is responsible for the harmony talk about withdrawing Parker if Bryan is elected. He is trying to get everybody to be satisfied, but Parker and his backers were not satisfied and stayed in after he found that Bryan could not control the National committee.

Parker does not particularly love a fight but the forces behind him decided to accept the issue over him just to show Bryan his proper place as a mere private in the ranks and also to get a tight grip on the convention through Parker. Clark will disclose his eminent impartiality and disinterestedness by dividing the vote of Missouri, especially between Parker and Bryan, as he can.

Chicago Struggle Repeated.

The real issue here is the old struggle of the radicals against the conservatives, as it was at Chicago. Who shall be nominated is for the present greatly overshadowed by the opening battle for control. The radical dog is not going to wag the conservative tail so easily as some of us have imagined. The delegates from the East and South believe in the old order. To them Roosevelt is a wild man and Bryan a mere agitator.

It is a surprise to find delegates openly declaring that there is no Bryan sentiment or undercurrent in their states. Yet, all realize and acknowledge Bryan's extraordinary power and are uneasy over what may happen if he makes another crown-of-thorns speech. The word is being passed around that Bryan has up his sleeve a speech that will make his great effort of 1896 look like a school-boy essay. The truth appears to be that the delegates are only lightly attached to their respective candidates. The Clark delegates are apparently only half in earnest, though the crowds seem to be more for Clark than any other. There is a big show for Wilson, but the real Wilson is Bryan; and they hold Bryan with a rope of sand. You see Harmon pictures and badges everywhere and you wonder why.

Underwood has an enormous gallery recruited for the South. It is the great triumph of hope over knowledge. Marshall, Foss, Gaynor and the rest are represented, but after all the sole question is whether or not the convention will nominate Bryan.

GIRLS AND POLICE FIGHT

Striking Cigar Plant Workers Hurl Rocks at Officers.

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., June 24.—Girl strikers, formerly employed by the Perth Amboy Cigar Company, made a demonstration at the plant today and hurled stones at policemen who sought to check their advance. Two policemen were badly cut about the head and two girls were arrested.

FOUR ARMY MEN RAISED BY TAFT

PRESIDENT TAFT ANNOUNCES ARMY APPOINTMENTS.

William W. Witherspoon Is Chosen Major-General; Chase, Edwards and McClernand Brigadiers.

WASHINGTON, June 24.—After consultation with Secretary Stimson, President Taft announced these Army appointments:

To be Major-General—William W. Witherspoon, now commanding the Department of the Gulf at Atlanta.

To be Brigadier-Generals—Clarence R. Edwards, Colonel George F. Chase and E. J. McClernand.

The nominations will be sent to the Senate probably Thursday. The vacancies have existed for some time. General Witherspoon fills the vacancy caused by the death of Major-General Grant. General Edwards is a close friend of the President and as chief of the bureau of Insular Affairs has held the title for several years. Colonel Chase is a cavalry officer detailed as an Inspector-General at Governor's Island, New York. Colonel McClernand is with his regiment, the First Cavalry, at the Presidio, San Francisco.

AUTO CRASH KILLS TWO

Los Angeles Women Hurlled to Death. One Man and 2 Children Hurt.

LOS ANGELES, June 24.—Mrs. Nicholas A. D'Arcy and Mrs. Charles L. Doron, both of Los Angeles, were instantly killed and Nicholas A. D'Arcy was injured probably fatally when the automobile in which they were returning to the city from Venice was struck by an ocean bound electric car at Frederick's crossing at 5 o'clock this evening. Nicholas A. D'Arcy, Jr., aged 7, and Charles Doron, seven, suffered broken legs and severe cuts. D'Arcy is a mining man. He was driving the car, and it is not known how the accident occurred, as eye witnesses said the crossing signal was sounding and the oncoming train was in plain sight. Whether something went wrong with the automobile and D'Arcy was unable to stop, or he did not see the approaching train or hear the signal, no one can say.

NEW UNION IS PREDICTED

Bryan and La Follette Linked in Third-Party Talk.

MADISON, Wis., June 24.—Progressive Republicans here will refuse to talk of a third party until after the Democratic convention. Those high in Republican councils said today that if Bryan is nominated on a progressive platform, the third party movement will be dead. All agree, however, that if the Bryan progressive programme should be defeated Wisconsin's progressives would favor the formation of a new party—without Roosevelt in its head—which would embody the followers of La Follette and Bryan.

ARIZONA ELKS ARE STYLISH

Luxurious Train to Bring Continent From Phoenix and Tucson.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 24.—(Special.)—General Agent Gatter, of the Southern Pacific at Phoenix, was here today to arrange for the operation of a special train de luxe from Phoenix and Tucson to the Elks' Portland convention. Gatter says that the train will be one of the finest possible to assemble. There will be about 200 passengers to start out July 3. A day is to be spent in this city.

MEXICANS TO BE PUNISHED

Four Will Be Sentenced for Violating Neutrality Laws.

LOS ANGELES, June 24.—Ricardo Flores Magon, Enrique Magon, Anselmo Figueroa and Librado Rivera, found guilty by a jury in the Federal court of having violated the neutrality laws of the United States during the Madero revolution in Mexico, will be sentenced tomorrow. It was said no appeal would be made from the verdict, which came after a long trial. The four defendants were said to have become reconciled to having been convicted of having aided the Mexican revolutionists through a junta maintained in Los Angeles. Their friends, however, conducted a demonstration yesterday against the prosecuting officers.

RIVER'S TOLL IS GROWING

17 Bodies Recovered From Niagara. 11 Others Are Missing.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 24.—Every hour today added to the toll of dead in last night's accident at Eagle Park, Grand Island, when 50 feet of an excursion wharf collapsed and dropped 100 persons into the Niagara River. The semi-darkness, the ten-mile current of the river at that point, the confusion and swiftness of it all served to cover up for a time the full extent of the catastrophe. Up to tonight 17 bodies had been recovered and there was a list of 11 more who were known to have been at the park and not yet accounted for.

"NO STRADDLE FOR ME," SAYS COLONEL

Absolutely New Party Is Programme.

DECISION CAUSE OF CLASHES

T. R. Says He Could Have Had Nomination for Asking.

TERMS IMPOSED REFUSED

Ex-President Declares Delegates From South Made Offer to Him to Switch, if Contested Men Were Unopposed.

CHICAGO, June 24.—A new party from the ground up is the Roosevelt programme. After a series of discussions today with his lieutenants, in which there were several clashes, Colonel Roosevelt decided, before leaving Chicago, to cut entirely away from the party with which his whole public career has been identified.

His decision was a disappointment to those who favored the organization of what might be considered an independent Republican party, with which various state organizations might cooperate and still maintain, it was hoped, a nominal regularity.

Democrats to Be Consulted.

There must be no compromise, no straddle," Colonel Roosevelt said. "As an indication of his determination, he said that when he returned to Oyster Bay he would communicate with a number of Democrats he thought might wish to join the new party.

When he had left Chicago, with the first plans completed and his leaders scattering to all parts of the country, Colonel Roosevelt expressed himself pleased with the outcome of convention week. He said he had a mass of letters and telegrams from Democrats and Republicans offering support.

Nomination Refused, It Is Said.

The Republican nomination for President, said Colonel Roosevelt, was his for the asking on the day President Taft was renominated. He declined to accept it, he said, on the terms under which the offer was made.

The ex-President gave a glimpse into the secret history of the last day of the convention. It was a plan to seize control of the convention at the last moment, by a sudden move overturn the Taft majority and make

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SALIENT POINTS APPEARING ON EYE OF BALTIMORE CONVENTION.

William J. Bryan to nominate himself as temporary presiding officer as first test of strength. He will assail Thomas F. Ryan as head and front of the reactionaries and demand of each National Committeeman whether he has been "seen" by Mr. Ryan.

Roger Sullivan, retiring Illinois National committeeman, deals hard blow to Hearst-Harrison combine in Illinois, his delegates-at-large and district delegates from 11 districts being seated by unanimous vote.

All hope of averting a fight vanishes with the approval by the National committee of Alton B. Parker, as temporary chairman.

Indiana sends largest contingent of boomers, all presumably for Governor Marshall, at least on first ballot.

Leaders said to have determined, once aid for all, to eliminate Bryan as a dominating figure in the party. Bryan's headquarters, however, besieged day and night by enthusiastic adherents.

Belief that Clark boom covers an under-the-surface movement for some other candidate, to whom his delegates will be thrown at the proper moment.

Betting favors Clark at 8 to 5. Odds on other candidates are: Wilson, two and a half to one; Harmon, three and a half to one; Bryan four to one; Underwood four to one; Gaynor, six to one.

City badly crowded and accommodations taxed to the limit. Cots in crowded rooms renting for \$3 a night.

Illinois delegates, by vote of 50 to 8, refused to abrogate the rule directing them to vote under the unit rule.

Political leaders agree that life or death of Roosevelt third party movement depends upon action of Baltimore convention.

Thomas E. Watson, Georgia firebrand, whose presence as a delegate was dreaded by leaders who fear the raising of the religious question in National politics, prevented from attending by an attack of ptomaine poisoning.

MARYLAND IN TOMORROW

Steaming Under Changed Order, Warship Will Return Directly.

ON BOARD U. S. S. MARYLAND, Point Arguello, Cal., June 23.—(Special.)—Steaming under changed orders the Maryland will not pause on her run for the Columbia, Captain Elliott having eliminated the proposed call at Santa Barbara today, as coal tests were conducted through the Santa Barbara channel. The vessel was navigated at full power under natural draft for four hours and the same time under forced draft, the maximum speed being slightly in excess of 20 knots.

Oregon naval militia men of the black gang were in the fire and engine-rooms during the run and, though the temperature ranged from 90 to 98 degrees, they stood the ordeal. The cruiser is making 13 knots tonight and, owing to the swell and head winds, some of the Oregonians are seasick. Unless the vessel stops to clean fires, she will head into the Columbia before noon Wednesday, a day in advance of the original itinerary.

BRIBERY CHARGED TO CHIEF AND FIVE

Higher-Ups on Police Force Accused.

MONEY IS PHOTOGRAPHED

\$400 Alleged Given to Deputy District Attorney Collier.

GRAND JURY WORKS NIGHTS

Up to Late Hour All but Slover Are Placed Under Arrest—Indictments of Six Are Expected to Issue This Morning.

Warrants issued from the office of the District Attorney last night were placed in the hands of four deputy sheriffs for Chief of Police Slover, Captain of Detectives Eady, Detective Sergeant Smith, Plain Clothesman Cliff Maddux, Patrolman Hammerly and Frank Reed on charges of bribery.

It is charged that several days ago Plain Clothesman Maddux, already under suspension on a previous charge of bribery, in company with Frank Reed, visited Deputy District Attorney Collier in his office and offered him \$400 as a bribe.

The money, it is said, had been previously photographed and was in the possession of the police department. Mr. Collier charges a conspiracy. The investigations, it is said, may also involve Mayor Ruslight.

Grand Jury Works Nights.

Following their arrests, the men were held before the grand jury, which held a night session in the office of District Attorney Cameron. It is reported that indictments will be returned this morning.

The arrests were made quietly. At a late hour last night all but Chief Slover had been arrested.

"A man only offers a bribe to me once," said Deputy Collier. "Any man that offers a bribe is a crook. These men were trying to get me because the May grand jury hit the bull's eye. The truth was told about conditions and the men smarted under it. I look for indictments in the morning."

British Army Man Dies.

LONDON, June 24.—Field Marshal George Stuart White, one of the most distinguished soldiers in the British Army, died today. He was 77 years old. White, who was an Irishman, went through the hardships of the Indian Mutiny in 1857. In the Afghan War in 1879-80 he won the Victoria Cross "for valor."

EVEN MONEY BET ON TAFT TO WIN

NO WAGERS MADE ON ROOSEVELT PARTY PROSPECTS.

Odds Mentioned on Clark Vary All Way From 3 to 1 in Favor to 8 to 5 Against Him.

NEW YORK, June 24.—(Special.)—The election bet recorded in the financial district today was \$1000 placed against a like amount that President Taft will be re-elected.

There was little interest displayed along Broad street in the matter of wagers on the candidates or either of the major parties and nothing outside of verbal speculation was heard among the chance-taking fraternity in regard to the new Roosevelt party in prospect.

The odds mentioned on Champ Clark for the Democratic nomination ran all the way from 3 to 1 in favor of his selection, to 8 to 5 against him, with no real cash in sight. Even money was quoted on Wilson, Harmon and other candidates.

CULINARY ARTS LURE BOYS

Cooking to Be Taught—Girls to Be Shown How to Drive Nails.

SANTA MONICA, Cal., June 24.—(Special.)—Boys will be taught to cook without spilling the soup, and girls to drive nails straight without smashing their finger ends, according to the study programme of the public school vacation course. The course is largely elective and this is the way it is worked out. There already is an enrollment of 400 and Superintendent Rebock says that a large proportion of the girls have chosen to work in the crafts department, and a smaller proportion of boys in the culinary rooms. Camp cookery and practical home kitchen accomplishments will be part of the latter course, and those who undertake it must carry it through six weeks' attendance being compulsory after enrollment.

The school is an experiment of much promise.

GIRL ISSUES OWN LICENSE

Marriage Permit Taken by Young Woman Deputy, Who is Found Out.

SALEM, Or., June 24.—(Special.)—When Miss Mabel Minnie Louise Grommel, a deputy in the office of County Clerk Allen, issued a marriage license to herself at noon today and pasted together the leaves of the marriage license book so that her license would escape the notice of the other clerks, she failed to count on the prying eyes of Miss Mabel Wellborn, Clerk of the Circuit Court, who happened to be glancing through the book today and discovered the pasted leaves, and made the license public.

Miss Grommel waited until the rest of the office force had left at noon and then with her sister, Vivian Grommel, as a witness, she issued the license. She is to wed Floyd Allen Baylinton, a teacher.

WILD BIRDS TURN ACTORS

Films to Reproduce Habitudes of Three-Arch Rock.

Game Warden Finley, accompanied by Professor Dallas Lore Sharp, of Boston, left yesterday for Three Arch Rock, near Tillamook, to observe the birds inhabiting that game preserve. Mr. Finley was instrumental in having this rock on the Tillamook coast selected as a game refuge in 1903. Sea fowl of all species congregate there and at all times its rocky sides are covered with mother birds and their young.

The place is inaccessible in rough weather and boats can be landed with difficulty even at the most favorable times. A moving picture machine constituted part of the equipment taken by Mr. Finley.

T. R. BANDANAS GIVEN OUT

Spokane Millionaire Distributes Emblems of New Party.

SPOKANE, Wash., June 24.—Red bandanas, emblematic of the new Progressive party, were distributed here today to every man, woman and child he met by Colonel Walter C. Brewer, millionaire mine owner and former Indiana scout under Buffalo Bill. Colonel Brewer bought the entire supply obtainable in Spokane and declared that as soon as more bandanas could be procured he would start the new party boom in earnest.

"Roosevelt is the man," he said, "unless Bryan is nominated. If Bryan is a candidate, Roosevelt should retire."

ARKANSAS FASTEST SHIP

Battleship Makes More Than 21 Knots on Trial Trip.

ROCKLAND, Me., June 24.—Official figures of the recent builders' acceptance trials of the battleship Arkansas, the world's fastest and biggest completed battleship, was received today by the trial board. All the figures were better than the contract requirements which included an average speed of 20½ knots an hour for four hours. The figures follow:

Fastest mile on standardization trial, 21.493; average of five high-speed runs, 21.153; average on four-hour run, 21.051; average on two-hour run, 20.959; maximum horsepower developed, 29,271. The Arkansas' sister ship, the Wyoming, will undergo trials here July 18.

PARKER IS NAMED; BRYAN TO FIGHT

Committee Acts in Defiance of Threats.

HOPE FOR HARMONY FADES

Efforts to Placate Nebraskan by Compromise Fail.

BRYAN LOOMS AS NOMINEE

Commoner Insists He Will Carry Contest Against Sage of Esopus to Floor of Convention—Make Race Himself, if Necessary.

BALTIMORE, June 24.—All hope of averting a fight from the fall of the gavel in the Democratic National convention vanished tonight when the National Committee approved the selection of Alton B. Parker, of New York, as temporary chairman in defiance of the threat of William J. Bryan to make an issue of the alleged conservatism of Judge Parker as opposed to the progressivism which the Nebraskan asserts should prevail.

An effort was made by the National Committee today to placate Mr. Bryan, but a conference resulted in complete failure. Mr. Bryan would not recede from the position he had taken and tonight prepared to make his fight tomorrow from the floor of the convention to rally the progressives to his standard in opposition to Judge Parker.

Bryan May Make Race.

Mr. Bryan announced today that if no other good progressive could be prevailed upon to make the race, he would enter the field himself, as the opponent of Parker.

The Nebraskan stood out today as the dominant figure in the convention. All contingencies of the future, including the nomination of a Presidential candidate, seemed to hinge upon what he would do. The impression continued more marked that Mr. Bryan might be the nominee. Some of his friends said tonight that he would be voted for in the convention or not, and they expressed the belief he would win if the voting went as far as the fifth ballot.

Friends Seek Coalition.

In furtherance of their hope of nominating Mr. Bryan some of his friends, it is said, are bending their efforts to prevent a coalition of the Clark and Wilson forces. They are talking of Bryan and Wilson as a possible ticket and the suggestion is receiving attention.

In the event that Mr. Bryan should not be a candidate himself for temporary chairman, it was said he might urge Senator Kern, of Indiana, for the place. The leaders expect Mr. Bryan to enter the race.

The contest over the chairmanship is looked forward to with trepidation by some of the leaders and by the supporters of several Presidential candidates. One of the most interesting developments looked for is the stand to be taken by the Clark delegates. A large number of these have been pledged to support the choice of the National committee whoever he may be.

Rupture Is Imminent.

This action was regarded in the state delegations as distinctly an anti-Bryan move. There has been a long friendship between Mr. Bryan and Speaker Clark. The delegates to the convention are wondering if tomorrow's battle will show a rupture.

It is a coincidence that Mr. Bryan is arraying himself against the only man who has shared with him the Presidential nomination of his party since the memorial campaign of 1896—16 years ago. Judge Parker's comparatively wide margin of success in the National committee, 31 to 20, was taken by many of the leaders as an indication of defeat for Mr. Bryan. The latter's friends declined to put any such interpretation upon the action of the committee.

Mr. Bryan said: "I had expected it. When Mr. Guffey was seated against the protest of the Democrats of Pennsylvania, I learned what I had expected; that a majority of that committee either had no conception of Democracy, or was slavishly under the control of the predatory interests as not to be free to follow their convictions. The reasons which they give are like all reasons given in defense of wrong."

Insincerity Is Charged.

"They are insincere and are not the reasons that really influence them. The fight will be resumed tomorrow, at which time a progressive will be presented for the convention to vote for and the line will be drawn so that the delegates can decide whether they will ally themselves with the Belmont-Ryan-Murphy crowd, that overwhelmed the party with defeat eight years ago, and which is in close and continuous co-partnership with the crowd that nominated Mr. Taft at Chicago."

"The predatory interests have no politics. They are with the party that serves them. Having enabled a minority of the Republicans to override the will of a majority of Republicans at Chicago, they are now here to enable

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