

NO STAMPEDE TO ROOSEVELT LIKELY

Walter Wellman Predicts the Nomination of Taft at Chicago.

MAJORITY IS PLEDGED

Advertised Cyclonic Rushes to Any Candidate Rarely Materialize. Table Shows Taft Strength Figured Conservatively.

Walter Wellman in Chicago Record-Herald. WASHINGTON, May 4.—It is the expected that has happened. There is now a distinct and somewhat impressive revival of talk of nominating President Roosevelt for another term. There is now more such talk than ever before. When we say it was expected we mean that it was looked for by a majority of those who understand American politics, including President Roosevelt himself. Those who thought the President's reiteration of his earlier statements that he was not a candidate would for all time put a stop to talk of him as a possible nominee were mistaken. It was inevitable that at various stages of the campaign a powerful as the President should be taken up for consideration in the day's gossip. That is a part of the human nature of politics. Mr. Roosevelt foresaw it months ago, and said then that under no circumstances would he issue any further statement as to his intentions. This has been repeatedly repeated recently. Unless the President changes his mind, the convention will meet without any further word from him.

And what will happen then? It is just now a favorite idea with many political writers and the men who are interviewed by them, that the Chicago convention will stampede for Roosevelt; that some man with a great voice will start a hurrah for the President and lead in a tremendous wave of enthusiasm give the nomination to the President by acclamation. Or that, if this does not happen, during the first part of the convention, the delegates will start voting for Roosevelt, others will follow and in a few moments the convention will be in an indescribable uproar and an excitement which will sweep over the delegates and the President's delegation rushes to join the movement, till the nomination of the President is achieved in a frenzied outburst.

Neither of these things is possible. Readers of these dispatches will recall that from the first it has been pointed out in them some such eruption must always be expected in the background, and that the Chicago convention would nominate one of two men—Taft or Roosevelt. Till a nomination is actually made, Roosevelt cannot be expected to leave the convention. Nothing can remove it, not even Roosevelt himself. The President recognizes this, thinks it would be presumptuous of him to issue another declaration upon the assumption that his nomination is impending, and says if what he has already said is not enough to stop it, nothing that he can say would stop it.

Majority Pledged to Taft.

That a Roosevelt earthquake is possible every sensible man must admit. But those who think it probable should analyze the situation more carefully. In the first place, advertised stampedes rarely come. In the second place, the Chicago convention is a psychological cyclone which upsets the reasons of men and drives them into something akin to temporary insanity. It is now regarded by most people as a exceedingly silly business, unworthy of men who deal in a serious way with the serious affairs of life; and there is no reason whatever to suppose that the Chicago convention will be any larger part to be composed of men who do not know their own minds or who possess no stamina or power of resistance to emotional excitement, either naturally or artificially produced round about them.

In the third place, a clear majority of delegates to that convention are expected to Chicago to vote to nominate Judge Taft. Moreover, virtually a majority of all the delegates will go there instructed to vote for Taft. The claim is made by Judge Taft's friends and managers that he will have 70 votes on the first ballot and that a clear majority of the delegates will be instructed for him. This is the opinion of President Roosevelt, and he is closely watching every phase of the situation. If it be true that anything like 700 delegates out of 980 are for Taft, and especially if it be true that a majority or almost a majority are instructed for him, it is difficult to see how a Roosevelt stampede can be worked with any show of success. Whatever unscrupulous intrigues might do, certainly those who had received instructions from their constituents could not vote for Roosevelt or anyone else as long as Taft was in the field.

Figures Are Conservative.

How many instructed and uninstructed delegates is Taft likely to have? It is impossible to say with absolute accuracy. Some delegates have not been chosen. There are disputes as to whether some already elected are instructed or not, and of course differences of opinion as to the leanings of some of the uninstructed delegates. But using the somewhat full information which has come to me from various sources, disregarding the claims made by the rival campaign managers, discounting the probable outcome of contests and including delegates not yet chosen but as to whose status there is not much doubt, I have prepared a table of the votes in the Chicago convention. It is only approximately accurate. If anything, it is too conservative as to the strength of both instructed and uninstructed Taft. In both columns I give Taft fewer votes than are claimed for him by his friends.

Table showing vote counts for Taft and Roosevelt across various states like Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, etc.

Table listing states and their respective vote counts for the convention.

According to the foregoing, which is substantially correct, Taft is to go into the convention with 480 instructed delegates and 181 other delegates who have pronounced or are known to be for him. Inasmuch as 491 votes make a nomination, it will be seen that, barring the much-talked-of upheaval for Roosevelt, the struggle is already over. And how can there be a stampede for Roosevelt when nearly a majority (and possibly a majority) of the whole convention is to be under instruction for Taft?

It is pretty clear that there will be no stampede if delegates were to disregard their instructions and vote for Roosevelt instead of Taft on the first ballot and Roosevelt were to be nominated. He could not accept. He could not in honor take a nomination thrust upon him by treachery to his friends. There are ways in which Roosevelt could be named so that he could in honor accept—so that it would be his duty to accept—but a stampede involving disregard of instructions is not one of them. Nor is any such thing at all probable.

CLERK APPEALS FOR AID

ASKS COMMISSION TO MAKE COMPANY BEHAVE.

Says Southern Pacific Charges Him Up With Unpaid Freight Bill.

SALEM, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—P. E. Blackman, chief freight clerk of the Southern Pacific at Roseburg, has appealed to the Oregon Railroad Commission to aid in securing relief from what he believes to be an injustice done him by the Southern Pacific. He says that a carload of horses was shipped to Roseburg from Rawlins, Wyo., and the waybill charged freight on a 36-foot car. The car was shipped by W. S. Booth and himself at Roseburg. Seeing the waybill marked prepaid, Blackman delivered the horses to Booth. Later the Southern Pacific Company notified him that the car was 36 1/2 feet long and that \$30.08 additional should have been collected from Booth. Blackman deducted the \$30.08 from his salary of \$75 and left him to get the money from Booth. Blackman says Booth challenged him to sue the company but he did not do so. Blackman says he cannot afford to go to court, so he is out of the money through what he believes to be no fault of his. The Railroad Commission will investigate and see what can be done for Blackman's relief.

YALE DEFEATS PRINCETON

Runs Up Big Score of 73 to 31 in Field Meet.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., May 9.—Yale had no trouble in defeating Princeton in the dual games on Yale field this afternoon, the final score being: Yale 73; Princeton 31. Yale got nine firsts, 16 seconds, eight thirds, Princeton got four firsts, three seconds and five thirds.

The wind blew strongly across the track when the first event was called. Summary: 100-yard hurdles—Won by L. V. Howe, Yale; second, D. R. Robbins, Yale; third, L. E. Gray, Princeton. Time, 2:12. 100-yard dash—Won by R. B. Carey, Yale; second, W. C. Brown, Princeton; third, R. A. Gamble, Princeton. Time, 1:45. Mile run—Won by F. L. McGee, Princeton; second, R. A. Spitzer, Yale; third, A. E. Conner, Princeton. Time, 22:25. 440-yard dash—Won by J. C. Allen, Princeton; second, R. W. Johnson, Princeton; third, M. B. Vlas, Yale. Time, 2:45. 220-yard run—Won by G. H. Whiteley, Princeton; second, M. D. Kirjalot, Yale; third, V. E. Ellison, Yale. Time, 2:01. 440-yard hurdles—Won by L. V. Howe, Yale; second, L. V. Howe, Yale; third, L. King, Yale. Time, 2:12. Shotput—Won by G. L. Buhman, Yale; distance 42 feet, 11 inches; second, H. Thompson, Princeton; distance 38 feet, 10 inches; third, D. M. McGadyen, Princeton. Distance 38 feet, 10 inches. 220-yard dash—Won by R. B. Carey, Yale; second, John Liley, Yale; third, E. H. Gray, Princeton. Time, 1:45. High jump—Tie between X. A. Riley and E. H. Gray, Princeton. Distance 5 feet 11 inches between W. E. Talcott and T. S. Clark, Princeton. 200-yard run—Won by Yale. A. C. Gilbert, W. Dray and F. T. Nelson stopping at 11. Two-mile run—Won by G. Brown, Yale; second, W. C. Brown, Princeton; third, M. Weeks, Yale. Time, 15:09. Broad jump—Won by W. B. Connor, Princeton; distance 21 feet, 1 1/2 inches; second, E. Daoust, Yale; distance 19 feet, 10 inches; third, H. Simons, Princeton; distance 19 feet, 9 inches. Hammer-throw—Won by C. T. Conroy, Yale; distance 147 feet, 1 1/2 inches; second, W. A. Doebel, Yale; distance 128 feet, 11 inches; third, L. F. Bigelow, Yale; distance 126 feet, 6 inches.

VANDERBILT MAY WIN DERBY

His Seascik II Has Equal Chance With Belmont's Norman III.

LONDON, May 9.—W. J. Vanderbilt's colt Seascik II, which it has been decided to race over from France to run in the Epsom Derby, was given a preference in the betting today, 15 to 2 being laid against him. These odds indicate that his chances are regarded as practically equal to those of August Belmont's Norman III.

During the last six weeks August Belmont has headed the list of winning owners with \$20,000 to his credit, and Richard Croker is second with \$20,000. Danny Maher, the American jockey, tops the list of winners. O. A. C. 5; Chemawa 1. CORVALLIS, Or., May 9.—(Special.)—O. A. C. defeated the Chamaw Indians in the second and last game of the series played here this afternoon by a score of 5 to 1. The game was a hotly-fought contest in the fifth inning. O. A. C. brought in three runs. Errors, O. A. C. 1, Chemawa 4. Hits, O. A. C. 6, Chemawa 5. Travis Wins President's Cup. NEW YORK, May 9.—Walter J. Travis was the winner today in the final round of 36 holes, match play, for the President's cup, on the links of the Green City Golf Club. Travis defeated Chadwick E. Sawyer, 9 up and 7 to play.

PLAN TO SAVE WEALTH OF NATION

Governors Confer with President on Conservation of Resources.

GATHER AT WHITE HOUSE

Meeting Promises to Be Historic and Is First Time President Has Met State Executives. Experts Will Talk.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 9.—History will be made at this week's White House conference on natural resources. For history-making, conditions are remarkably favorable. Never before has a President conferred with all the Governors of the states. Never before has the White House, with its long record of social and state functions, sheltered a large convention called for the consideration of a great public issue. And never before has the whole broad question of the conservation of this country's natural resources been brought before a great deliberative body as the sole subject of its consideration.

The reception accorded to this project indicates that the people of the country expect definite results of a far-reaching character. After hearing from experts the conditions the country is facing, the members of the conference will themselves decide whether anything ought to be done, and what. Some have suggested the advisability of forming a great National organization to carry forward the plans originated in the conference. The probability is that, at the least, some basis will be laid for future co-operation between the Federal and state governments in a vigorous policy of conservation, for one of the things which will be shown most forcibly at the conference is that neither the states nor the Federal Government can make satisfactory headway independently.

Recalls Historic Conference.

The present situation is much the same as was faced just before the adoption of the Federal constitution, and the more enthusiastic believe that the coming conference will have just as far reaching results, and become quite as historic, as those meetings which led up to the formation of the constitution. They recall that the whole question of a constitution had its direct origin in a meeting promoted by George Washington for the consideration of the control and development of the Potomac.

Will Talk on Reclamation.

Honorable George C. Pardee, of Oakland, Cal., will describe the benefits of reclamation. He will show that irrigation and the drainage of swamp lands can be co-ordinated with the checking of floods and the development of power. Judge Joseph M. Casey, of Cheyenne, Wyo., will discuss the necessity of good land laws, and will show that the country's resources will be better conserved by a system of small freeholds than by the tenancy system. Hon. H. A. Jastro, of Bakersfield, Cal., president of the American National Livestock Association, will discuss grazing and stockraising in relation to natural resources. He will show that overgrazing has greatly reduced the capacity of grazing lands in the United States. Dr. L. C. White, state geologist of West Virginia, and professor of geology in the University of West Virginia, will make estimates on the duration of mineral fuels. He will tell about the imprudent system of mining by which only about 50 per cent of the coal is wasted in heating, smelting and gas production. He will explain how the coal supply can be conserved and will consider possible substitutes for fuel. The discussion on coal mining will be led by John Mitchell, ex-president of the United Mine Workers.

Governors in Seats of Honor.

The Governors will occupy the seats of honor just in front of the platform. Attendance at the sessions will be carefully restricted to those connected with the conference. The White House, except for the executive offices, will be entirely closed to visitors during the three days of the meeting. And so tourists will not have even the usual opportunity to see the building. This restriction has been necessitated by the limited capacity of the east room and by the great number of requests which have been made. The outlook is that the Governors and delegates, together with Cabinet members, justices of the Supreme Court and members of Congress, will entirely fill the east room.

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and gives other information little short of astonishing on rail and water transportation. It presents a list of all the canals in the country, and tells which of them is owned or controlled by railroads. It presents, too, a list of the abandoned canals, and shows why they were abandoned. These are only a few things shown in this work, which is really a great encyclopedia of the waterways of this country. It represents a great deal of hard work on the part of the Bureau of Corporations, which was chiefly in charge of its compilation.

The second publication will be devoted to a history of the conference. The proceedings will be reported in pamphlet form, and will be published and published in book form with illustrations. The conference will open Wednesday morning, May 13. As the Governors arrive at the White House they will be received by the President. Thereafter the President and the Governors will join the delegates in the East room, and the President will open the conference with an address. He will probably be followed by Andrew Carnegie, who will speak on "Ores and Related Minerals." James J. Hill, who will speak later, will present his estimate of the railroad extensions which will be demanded by the future needs of the country, and their cost. He will discuss the important questions of terminals—a question which is giving railroad men no little anxiety.

Experts Will Attend.

The subject of navigation will be presented by Professor Emory R. Johnson, professor of transportation and commerce in the University of Pennsylvania. "Power" will be considered by H. S. Putnam, electrical engineer, New York. He will present estimates of the power now developed in the country, and the probable rate of increase. The most important phase of his discussion, however, will be that in which he will deal with the electrification of railroads. Mr. Putnam is consulting engineer in connection with the proposed electrification of the New York Central and the New York, New Haven & Hartford.

Dr. T. C. Chamberlain, professor of geology in the University of Chicago, will tell in detail about the \$600,000,000 waste which this country suffers every year through soil wash. He will develop the fact that normally soil ought to grow richer with cultivation, and will outline the way in which erosion can be prevented. R. A. Long, of Kansas City, will make estimates on the timber supply of the country, and will tell the necessity, as viewed by a practical lumberman, of forest conservation.

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PLOT THAT FAILED

Bourne Tries to Engineer Roosevelt Stampede.

CONSPIRATORS IN COUNCIL

Oregon Third-Term Boomer and President's Son-in-Law Are Only Ones Who Attend Carefully-Planned Meeting.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 9.—According to current report, Senator Bourne is anxious to be chosen a delegate to the Chicago convention because he believes the convention can be stamped to Roosevelt and he wants to engineer the stampede. Already he is laying plans to bring about this stampede. Eastern papers are printing the story of Bourne's preliminary maneuvers, but because of the fact that Bourne sounds much like Bourne over his telephone, credit is given for this plotting to the junior Idaho Senator, who as a matter of fact he is the most sincere Taft man in the Senate, and does not believe in the third term movement.

Cannot Fulfill Promises

Bourne Said to Be Making Deals for Delegates. OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, May 9.—(Special.)—If it is true, as reported that Senator Bourne, hoping to dominate Oregon's delegation to Chicago, is offering postoffice appointments in return for delegates to the state convention, then the junior Senator is making promises he cannot fulfill. There is just one postoffice in Oregon which Bourne can control—that at Portland. He has absolutely nothing to say about fourth-class postmasters, and he is only one of three who selects Presidential postmasters. The only possible way by which he could deliver the postoffices under the majority to decide in case of disagreement, it is therefore apparent that Bourne is not in a position to deliver postoffices in return for delegates, no matter how much he might desire to make deals of this sort.

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Edward Brennan Gives Bail. NEW YORK, May 9.—Edward Brennan, lawyer of Butte, Mont., who was arrested Thursday on a charge of attempting to extort \$40,000 from F. Augustus Heinze in connection with the