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BRYAN ADHERES TO FREE COINAGE

Favors It, if Conditions of 1896 Revived.

TELLS OPINION IN CONFIDENCE

Attempt to Extort Public Declaration Fails.

SAYS QUESTION NOT ISSUE

Ceptain Ross, of Columbus, Who Received Bryan's Confidential Letter, States Problem in Open Letter to Candidate.

CHICAGO, Sept. 19 .- (Special.)-William Jennings Bryan, Democratic candidate for President, would, if he were elected and if the conditions of the country seemed to him to become the same as they were in 1896, favor the free and un imited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to I, just as he did in 1886. At least so he said in a personal letter written some months ago to Captain James B. Ross, of Columbus, O., and now for the first me prought to the attention of the

Strangely enough, Mr. Bryan does no want his convictions on this subject made public. He not only refuses to discuss the question, but he also refuses to allow his former discusions of it to be printed. Last March Captain Ross wrote the following letter to Mr. Bryan;

Is Free Coinage Still Right?

89 North Ohio avenue, Columbus, Ohio, darch 23, 1908.

Dear Sir—I desire to express to you my preclation of your masterly discussion of maranteed banks on the 18th ult., before he Ohio Legislature at Columbus, O. No outh many will differ from you, yet all must admit your presentation of that subject is the strongest possible from your new-point.

or is the strongest possible from your point. It is said by 'ome that, during the camign in which you were a Presidential candiate, with equal elequence you argued in yor of free coinage of gold and silver at a ratio of 18 to 1, but since you have anged your mind, and they intimate that is may in time change your mind in remained you right then? And if the conditions were the same now as then, would you yor free coinage of gold and silver at the tio of 16 to 1?

JAMES B. ROSS. TO W. Bryan.

Adheres to Opinion of 1896.

On May 12, Mr. Bryan answered this letter with a statement that he had been right in 1896, and that, if conditions should ever again become the same as the restoration of bimetallism would be the same.

This letter was marked "Personal," but, as Captain Ross was a stranger to Mr. Bryan, writing to him solely as a voter on a public question, he considered this rd an oversight and did not hesitate to show the letter to some of his personal friends. The only knowledge of the contents of this letter has come in this way. for, owing to a subsequent letter from Mr. Bryan, Captain Ross has locked it in a safety deposit vault and refused to

Captain Ross, however, on August 27, belief that the Commoner had marked his previous letter "personal" through mere inadvertence. He asked the Commoner's permission to make the letter Mr. Bryan replied to the letter on August 31, saying:

Will Not Allow Publication.

If the matter discussed in the letter is overed by our platform, I shall be glad to end you a letter upon the subject for publication. If it is not covered by our platform, I could not discuss it or authronic the ublication of a former letter without vio-sting a rule which I think necessary for a andidate to observe, namely: Not to bring not the campaign issues which are not included in the platform.

Puts Question to Bryan.

Before writing Mr. Bryan the letter of August 27, Captain Ress had written under date of June 27, opening with the following paragraph:

Columbus, Ohio, June 24, 1908. My Dear Str-I am in receipt of your es-(Concluded on Page 8.)

BLIND STUDENTS **RUN ON ROLLERS**

SKATING CRAZE STRIKES STATE SCHOOL IN MISSOURI.

Young People Convert Gymnasium Into Rink-Acute Hearing Pre-Prevents Collisions.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Sept. 19,-(Special.) -The students at the Missouri School for the Blind have taken to roller skating and have insisted on Superntendent S. M. Green moving all the furniture out of the gymnasium, which they have turned into a rink. Half the older students, both men and wo men, spend several hours each day skating in the gymnasium. Persons present would doubt that the young people were blind. The fact that they skate without accident or collision is due to their remarkably developed ense of hearing,

Since the craze began last Thursday ot one of the skaters has mer with an accident, excepting a few falls which resulted from colliding with skaters who rolled too fast, losing track of the speed to be maintained in the hall. The students gilds by each other as if they could see.

A number of the students are expert typewriters.

A modified game of football will be a feature of the athletics for the pres-

RIOTERS BESIEGE RANCH Charge When Leader Is Killed, but

Flee Before Troops.

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 19.—Mail advices to the Herald from Torreon, Mexico, to-day bring news of a riot 30 kilometers west of there at Nazareno ranch, on Wednesday, Mexican Independence day. The ranch home of Don Jose Farjas, a prominent Spaniard, was attacked by his workmen, who demanded higher wages. A Mexican, who led the mob, attacked Don Jose with a stone, whereupon Domingo Saldana, bookkeeper at the ranch, killed the leader with a rifie. The mob then charged the house with stones and guns and the family parricaded themselves and defended the place, telephoning to Lerdo for troops. Four hours later the troops arrived on a special train and the mob fied. Five wounded men were captured and jailed

wounded men were captured and jailed and Don Jose and family were given escort to Torreon. The ranch is still in charge of the soldiers.

JOY WHEN SUTTLER QUITS

Hearst Glad Georgian Opponent of His Ticket Resigns.

ATLANTA, Ga., Sept. 19.-William R. Hearst in a dispatch to E. G. Clapp, National committeeman from Georgia for the Independence party, declared that he was glad to hear of the resignation of the chairman of the state executive committee of the party, Bernard Suttler, closing with these words:

"I am as proud of the kind of men that leave the party as I am of the kind who power rested in a sort of working agreestand nobly by the party. This is a fight

This is the latest development in the split which was brought about when Mr. Suttler announced that the state executive committee of the Independence party would not support Hisgen and Graves.

HIDDEN JEWELS BURNED

Tenant of Historic Yolo Mansion Forgets Them in Fire.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Sept. 19 .- (Spe cial.)-The old L. M. Scott residence, in Yolo, Yolo County, was destroyed by a mysterious fire last night, causing a loss of about \$5000. Mrs. J. H. Jones, who had been occupying the house, had her effects packed ready to move, but had a ousand dollars' worth of jewelry still hidden in the house. She succeeded in saving all the household goods, but forgot the jewelry. It was burned before she was reminded of it by friends. property saved was worth much

less than the jewelry. Torpedo Practice Ended.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.-The Navy Deparement has ordered the torpedo boats Goldsborough, Rowan, Fox and Davis to hold target practice in Drakes Bay, near San Francisco. The vessels will then proceed to San Diego, arriving there not later than October 24, and then joining the Pacific fleet for a cruise to the southward.

TURKISH MONSTER COMINGTOOREGON

Head of Secret Police Tells of Crimes.

ORDERED 170 PERSONS SLAIN

Fled From Popular Vengeance by Sultan's Order.

GRAFT ON IMMENSE SCALE

Lea Bey Arrives in London Under Assumed Name and Will Seek Peace in Oregon-Empire

Ruled by Thieves.

LONDON, Sept. 19 .- (Special.) - Zia Bey, the head of the Turkish secret police, who has had to fly for his life, is here in Lon don under the assumed name of A. R. Gray. He admits that in his official capa city he sanctioned horrible atrocities, and that he dare not ever return to Turkey

"The people can never forgive me," he said. "Turkey has seen the last of m "Turkey has seen the last of me my term of office I have been the mean of ruining ministers, officers and civilians at the bidding of my superiors, and 170 Turks, members of some of the most hon ored families in the Empire, have disappeared. Under my direction, a body of well paid secret service agents, over 400 in number, have been constantly at work. Turks, mostly Armenians and Greeks, a few women and two Maltese. "It mattered not who were the persons to be removed. Orders from Yildlz were implicitly obeyed. False reports submitted to the Sultan and from them

there was no appeal. To be denounced by us was sufficient to ruin any one. "On July 21, the day of proclaiming the constitution. I knew that with Tashin and Izzet Pashus my official career was ended. On July 24 the Sultan sent me a let-

er, short and explicit. 'Flee to Europe without an hour's delay.' I waited till dark and fled.

"Let me tell you some startling things about the Porte. As an administrative machine it ceased to exist 20 years ago. All power was centered at Yildiz. Min-isters, even the Grand Vizier, had less authority than the head clerk of a department. I do not blame the Sultan entirely, or the Chamberlain entirely; their ment which enabled them to manipulate the resources of the empire solely in the private appropriation of the revenues, no matter how gained, in the interest of

themselves.
"Izzet Pasha is reputed to have saved from his perquisites 1,590,900 Turkish pounds, the bulk of which was invested in the United States of America and through Greek financiers in Paris. But the Sultan himself has at least £5,000,000 invested in Germany, Austria and France, because he received heavy percentages on the bribes received from contractors for war stores, supplies and clothing for the army and navy. These men used me because they found me pliable. I accepted

manently and am proposing to purchase a small country estate in Oregon. As I am only 40 years of age, I have a reason-able hope of living there in peace."

HEADS OFF HILL'S ROAD

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Canadian Pacific Acquires Link to
Complete New Main Line.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 18.—By the purchase of the Alberta Irrigation Company's line in South Alberta for \$20,300,300, the Canadian Pacific Railroad intends making the Crows Nest Pass the main line to the Pacific Coast to head off the Great Northern, which road, it is said, has been trying to get centrol of this railway for years.

WOLVES KILL AND EAT LITTLE GIRL

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY IN WILDS

Brother of Victim Escapes From Ravenous Pack-Mother Finds Mangled Remains.

ELY, Minn., Sept. 19.-(Special.)-The oung daughter of Peter Kobe, a home he Little Fork River, Northern Minne ota, was attacked by a pack of wolves while going on an errand to a neighbo with her young brother and was killed and partly devoured.

The boy escaped and, running home, gave the alarm. The mother hastened to the scene of the tragedy and found the horribly mutilated remains of her child.

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ACTION IS PURELY VOLUNTARY

Result of Many Conferences Is Letter to Taft.

LATTER REFUSES TO TALK

Hearst's Exposure Given as Reason for Not Speaking at League Gathering-Taft Answers Bryan on Philippines Question.

CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 19 .- Senator I. B. Foraker tonight eliminated himfrom participation with W. H. Taft in the political rally of the National League of Republican Clubs to be held here next Tuesday. His action was made known to Mr. Taft in the following letter; addressed to the candidate today and made public by the Senator tonight:

My Dear Judge: Having read in the papers that some of your friends an are in doubt as to the propriety of my ing with you at Music Hall next T I take this action, not because I de

To John Hays Hammond, president of the National League of Republican Clubs, Mr. Foraker sent this letter, which he

"I herewith inclose-a self-explanatory letter that I have just sent to Judge

Action Quite Voluntary.

Secator Foraker said, in regard to the orrespondence, that his action was en coluntary and that he had received no direct communication from Mr. Taft regarding the situation.

The publication of the letters followed and today. Benator Dick and Mr. Vorys were the intermediaries yesterday. Sen-Murray Crane, of Massachusetts, reached the city today and went at once to the Charles P. Taft residence, where an extended conference, Mr. Crane renet by Senators Foraker and Dick. The elected: then repaired to Mr. Foraker's office in the Traction building, where the conference was protracted until late in the after which Mesars. Crane and Dick again saw Judge Taft.

All Keep Silence.

Neither Mr. Taft, Mr. Foraker, Mr. Crane, Mr. Dick or A. I. Vorys would add anything to the information con tained in the letters which were made public, with the exception of Mr. Foraker's remark that his action was volun It could not be ascertained tary. whether Mr. Foraker's intentions were to eliminate himself entirely from the campaign or whether he will, as he in-

tended, take the stump later. As it did yesterday, today the Hearst-Foraker controversy eclipsed all else in Mr. Taft has declined to discuss the matter for publication or otherwise, except with Messrs. Crane, Dick and Vorys. Communication between the candidat and the New York headquarters was frequent teday and, even before Mr. Foraker gave out his letter to Mr. Taft, it was known here that he would not be present on the platform with Mr. Taft at the Tuesday meeting.

Taft Talks on Philippines.

Mr. Taft tonight addressed an enthusi astic gathering of the citizens of Nor-wood, O., in the assembly-room of the Sinton Hotel. His remarks were confined (Concluded on Page 11.)

ANGEL OF STAGE IS NOW BENEDICT

MORRIS LARGEY MARRIES MRS. SIBE, OF CALIFORNIA.

Butte Millionaire Who Lost by Backing Nena Blake, Takes Wife

in Omaha.

OMAHA, Neb., Sept. 19 .- (Special.)-Mrs. A. C. Sibe, of Modesto, Cal., one of San Francisco's social queens, was married at St. Peter's Church at noon today to Morris Sellers Largey, the banker and miner of Butte, Mont. They arrived in Omaha Friday morning from New York. The wedding took place today from the home of Frank McGinn, brother-in-law of Mr. Largey.

Both Mr. Largey and his bride are 28 years of age. Morris Largey, who inherited \$6,000,000 on the death of his father, several years ago, is said to have been one of the heaviest losers in stage ventures in recent years, who he starred Nena Blake, buying plays leasing theaters and lavishing money on scenic effects and costumes. The family is well known in Omaha on ac count of business relations with the Dreightons, who also made millions in

Montana mines. Mr. and Mrs. Largey left tonight for They will return next York. menth to Butte, where they will re-

WHENCE THAT \$300,000? Haskell Must Answer Before Mon-

nett Will Speak for Bryan.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 18.-Ex-Attorney-General Frank S. Monnett, who in stituted the prosecution of the Standard Oll Company in Oblo, today threw the Democratic organization into consterna tion when he declared he would not stump the Western States for W. J. Bryan until he received a satisfactory contribution to the Democratic campaign fund. He said:

"Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, will have to resign as custodian of the funds of the National committee or there wil be serious trouble in the committee have been assigned to speak in the West by the Democratic National Committee. but I cannot make a speech until I am satisfied from just what source the com-mittee received that \$300,000 which it boasts it has."

MEET AGAIN IN SEATTLE

Electric Men of Northwest Decide on Convention City for Next Year.

SEATTLE, Sept. 19 .- Seattle was chosen as the meeting place in 1909 of the North west Electric Light & Power Associa tion, formed here today of electric men from various Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska cities, representing electric light and power plants worth unwards of turned to the Sinton Hotel, where he was \$75,000,006. The following officers were

President, Arthur Gunn. of Wenatchee; first vice-president, A. Welch, of Port-land; second vice-president, F. Rotch, of Fairbanks, Alaska; third vice-president, Henry Adams, of Lewiston, Idaho.

Executive committee—H. S. Biecker, of Portland; l. W. Anderson, of Walla Walla; L. B. Faulkner, of Olympia; C. G. Arrowsmith, of North Yakima; O. B. Caldwell, of Portland; N. J. Shields, of Moscow, Idaho.

OVERTAKEN BY JUSTICE

Lawyer Who Cheated Widow Arrested After Many Years.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19 .- F. C. Marrin years old, a lawyer of Brooklyn, was arrested in this city tonight after a chas family, out of \$70,000 by means of worths mortgages.

Marrin, it is charged, was given the oney to invest by Mrs. Barry, when her husband died.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 19.-James

Nurse Prostrated by Grief.

King and Thomas Penney, the two victims of poisoning, who are still ill at the County Hospital, were reported as improving with little doubt of their ultimate recovery. Miss Arthur, the nurse, is suffering from nervous prostration and is in danger of serious illness because of the affair. The inquest has been postnoned.

BROTHER ACCUSES SISTER OF PLOT

Drury Makes Charges Against Moultons.

AS TO DEAD SISTER'S ESTATE

Inquiry Into Disposition by Portland Heirs.

CONSPIRACY IS ALLEGED

Property Worth \$85,000 Left by Insane Ida Drury, Who Died in Portland, Causes Lawsuit in Washington.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washngton, Sept. 19 .- Clarence E. Moulton and his wife, of 786 Inving street, Portland, who are now in Washington, were today served with notice that Mrs. Moulton's brother, George W. Drury, of this city, had asked the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia to inquire into the disposition of property left by Ida Drury, his sister, when she died in Portland, in 1902.

It is Mr. Drury's contention that Ida Drury at the time of her death was insame and, therefore, not competent to dispose of her property, which he believes was worth \$85,000, and he furthermore alleges that, though he is legally entitled to share in her estate. there has never been any accounting or settlement. He asks the courts to di termine the amount of the estate, the sanner of its disposal, the circumstances of his sister's death, etc. and asks for an accounting and adjustment.

Drury Charges Conspiracy.

The case is given a rather sensaional turn because of the implication ontained in the bill of complaint, hinting that the Moultons conspired to get possession of Ida Drury's property and to prevent George Drury from sharing it.

Mr. Moulton, who is a member of the firm of Moulton & Scobey, declared tonight that there is nothing sensaional about the case, and that everything will be cleared up satisfactorily. He furthermore declares that no large estate is involved, not more than \$7500 at the outside

Brother Accuses Sister.

George Drury avers that for se been mentally unbalanced and declares that, when his sister, Mrs. Moulton, learned of Ida's mental condition she went from her home in Bridgeport, Conn., and there obtained possession of the sister in June, 1899. The infirm sister, it is alleged, insisted on coming to this city, where her father and brother then resided, but was dissuaded by the defendants, who, it is alleged, told her that her father would not see her. She was then were then living.

Estate Worth \$85,000.

Ida Drury, who, it is said, was also known as Mrs. William Slebs and Dorothy Slebs in the States of Oregon and Washington, had, according to the complainmany years. Marrin is charged with ant, at the time of leaving Bridgeport defrauding a widow, Mrs. Caroline C. \$25,000 in cash, jewels and ornaments, Barry, said to have been a friend of his worth \$20,000 and bonds of the New York. Central Ratiroad and other corporations valued at \$40,000, which, it is alleged, she exhibited to her brother and others.

Her mental condition grew worse in the West, her brother says, so that after keeping her at home for some time her sister had her placed in Dr. Coe's insane asylum in Portland, where she died in 1902. Her body was removed to Tacoma death and burlal, Mr. Drury swears, was kept from him.

This, he alleges, is evidence of consp acy on the part of the defendants to see (Concluded on Page A.)

ACCORDING TO HARRY MURPHY, THESE ARE SOME OF THE WEEK'S HAPPENINGS AT HOME AND ABROAD















Samuel Gompers Has an Engage-ment With a Red-Hot Stove.

Isn't He the Horrid Thing !