

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

Captain 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 unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1, just as he did in 1896.

Strangely enough, Mr. Bryan does not want his convictions on this subject made public. He not only refuses to discuss the question, but he also refuses to allow his former discussions of it to be printed.

Is Free Coinage Still Right?

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

Dear Sir:—I desire to express to you my appreciation of your masterly discussion of guaranteed banks on the 19th ult., before the Ohio Legislature at Columbus, O.

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 they were at that time, the demand for the restoration of bimetallicism 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 word an oversight and did not hesitate to show the letter to some of his personal friends.

Will Not Allow Publication.

If the matter discussed in the letter is covered by our platform, I should like to send you a letter upon the subject for publication. It is not covered by our platform, I could not discuss it or authorize the publication of a letter without violating a rule which I think necessary for a candidate to observe. Not to bring into the campaign issues which are not included in the platform.

Puts Question to Bryan.

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

Columbus, Ohio, June 24, 1908. My Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your article (Concluded on Page 8).

BLIND STUDENTS RUN ON ROLLERS

SKATING CRAZE STRIKES STATE SCHOOL IN MISSOURI.

Young People Convert Gymnasium Into Rink—Acute Hearing 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 Superintendent S. M. Green moving all the furniture out of the gymnasium, which they have turned into a rink.

Since the craze began last Thursday not one of the skaters has met 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.

RIOTERS BESIEGE RANCH

Charge When Leader Is Killed, but Flee Before Troops.

EL PASO, Tex., Sept. 19.—Mail advice to the Herald from Torreon, Mexico, today bring news of a riot 30 kilometers west of there at Nazareno ranch, on Wednesday, Mexican Independence day.

The mob then charged the house with stones and guns and the family barricaded themselves and defended the place, telephoning to Lerdo for troops.

JOY WHEN SUTTLETT QUILTS

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 stand nobly by the party. This is a fight to the end."

HIDDEN JEWELS BURNED

Tenant of Historic Yolo Mansion Forgets Them in Fire.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Sept. 19.—(Special.)—The old L. M. Scott residence, in Yolo, Yolo County, was destroyed by a mysterious fire last night, causing a loss of about \$500.

The property saved was worth much less than the jewelry.

Torpedo Practice Ended.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 19.—The Navy Department has ordered the torpedoes Goldborough, Rowan, Fox and Davis to hold target practice in Drake's Bay, near San Francisco.

TURKISH MONSTER COMING TO OREGON

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 London under the assumed name of A. R. Gray.

"The people can never forgive me," he said. "Turkey has seen the last of me forever. You must remember that during my term of office I have been the means of ruining ministers, officers and civilians at the bidding of my superiors, and 170 Turks, members of some of the most honorable families in the Empire, have disappeared."

"Under my direction, a body of well paid secret service agents, over 600 in number, have been constantly at work. Some Turks, mostly Armenians and Greeks, a few women and two Maltese."

"I waited till dark and heard a relay. I waited till dark and heard a relay. I waited till dark and heard a relay."

"What are my plans for the future? Well, I shall not remain in London permanently, but am proposing to purchase a small country estate in Oregon. As I am only 40 years of age, I have a reasonable hope of living there in peace."

HEADS OFF HILL'S ROAD

Canadian Pacific Acquires Link to Complete New Main Line.

WINNIPEG, Sept. 19.—By the purchase of the Alberta Irrigation Company's line in South Alberta for \$20,000,000, the Canadian Pacific corporation stands making the Crown West Pass the main line to the Pacific Coast to head off the Great Northern, which road, it is said, has been trying to get control of this railway for years.

WOLVES KILL AND EAT LITTLE GIRL

HORRIBLE TRAGEDY IN WILDS OF MINNESOTA.

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

ELY, Minn., Sept. 19.—(Special.)—The young daughter of Peter Kober, a homesteader living in the wild section along the Little Fork River, Northern Minnesota, was attacked by a pack of wolves while going on an errand to a neighbor with her young brother and was killed and partly devoured.

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FORAKER STEPS INTO BACKGROUND

Withdraws as Orator at Taft Rally.

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 J. B. Foraker tonight eliminated himself from participation with W. H. Taft in the political rally of the National League of Republican Clubs to be held here next Tuesday.

"My Dear Judge: Having read in the newspapers that some of your friends and you are in doubt as to the propriety of my speaking with you at Music Hall next Tuesday night I have concluded not to attend the meeting. I take this action, not because I deem the answers I have made to Mr. Hearst's charges insufficient, nor because of any lack of loyalty to our cause, but only because I don't want to do anything that might injure the cause or embarrass you personally."

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

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

Senator Foraker said, in regard to the correspondence, that his action was entirely voluntary and that he had received no direct communication from Mr. Taft regarding the situation.

The publication of the letters followed a series of conferences held yesterday and today. Senator Dick and Mr. Vorys were the intermediaries yesterday.

Mr. Foraker remained the entire day, after an extended conference. Mr. Crane returned to the Sinton Hotel, where he was met by Senators Foraker and Dick.

All Keep Silence. Neither Mr. Taft, Mr. Foraker, Mr. Crane, Mr. Dick or A. I. Vorys would add anything to the information contained in the letters which were made public, with the exception of Mr. Foraker's remark that his action was voluntary.

Taft Talks on Philippines. Mr. Taft tonight addressed an enthusiastic gathering of the citizens of Portland, O., in the assembly-room of the Sinton Hotel.

ANGEL OF STAGE IS NOW BENEDICT

MORRIS LARGY 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 Largy, the banker and miner of Butte, Mont.

Both Mr. Largy and his bride are 23 years of age. Morris Largy, who inherited \$3,000,000 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, when he starred Nena Blake, buying plays, leasing theaters and lavishing money on scenic effects and costumes.

Mr. and Mrs. Largy left tonight for New York. They will return next month to Butte, where they will reside.

WHENCE THAT \$300,000?

Haskell Must Answer Before Monnet Will Speak for Bryan.

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 19.—Ex-Archbishop-General Frank S. Monnet, who instituted the prosecution of the Standard Oil Company in Ohio, today threw the Democratic organization into consternation when he declared he would not stump the Western States for W. J. Bryan until he received a satisfactory explanation of the origin of the \$300,000 contribution to the Democratic campaign fund.

Governor Haskell, of Oklahoma, will have to resign as custodian of the funds of the National committee or there will be serious trouble in the committee.

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 Northwest Electric Light & Power Association, formed here today of electric men from various Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska cities, representing electric light and power plants worth upwards of \$75,000,000.

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

OVERTAKEN BY JUSTICE

Lawyer Who Cheated Widow Arrested After Many Years.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—F. C. Marrin, 42 years old, a lawyer of Brooklyn, was arrested in this city tonight after a chase of many years. Marrin is charged with defrauding a widow, Mrs. Caroline C. Barry, said to have been a friend of his family, out of \$70,000 by means of worthless mortgages.

Nurse Prostrated by Grief.

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Sept. 19.—James 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.

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 Inmate Ida Drury, Who Died in Portland, Causes Lawsuit in Washington.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Sept. 19.—Clarence E. Moulton and his wife, of 786 Irving 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, who died in Portland, in 1902.

It is Mr. Drury's contention that Ida Drury at the time of her death was insane 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 determine the amount of the estate, the manner 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 sensational turn because of the implication contained 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 & Scooby, declared tonight that there is nothing sensational 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 some years prior to her death Ida Drury had been mentally unbalanced and declares that, when his sister, Mrs. Moulton, learned of Ida's mental condition she went from her home in Tacoma to 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 taken to Tacoma, where the Moultons were then living.

Estate Worth \$85,000.

Ida Drury, who, it is said, was also known as Mrs. William Siebs and Dorothy Siebs in the States of Oregon and Washington, had, according to the complainant, at the time of leaving Bridgeport \$25,000 in cash, jewels and ornaments worth \$50,000 and bonds of the New York Central Railroad 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 and there interred. All knowledge of her death and burial, Mr. Drury swears, was kept from him.

This, he alleges, is evidence of conspiracy on the part of the defendants to secure (Concluded on Page 3.)

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



Senator Foraker Takes a Plunge.

Samuel Gompers Has an Engagement with a Red-Hot Stove.

Even the Best of Friends Must Part.

But He Can Still Wander on His Own River Side.

Mr. Hearst Pays a Few Gracious Compliments to Mr. Bryan.

It's Bitter, but It Will Do Him Good.

Isn't He the Horrid Thing!