



CROWDS NOT SO LARGE

Bryan is Not the Curiosity He Once Was.

NEBRASKAN IS ADMIRER

New Yorkers Did Not Crowd Madison Square Garden as Ten Years Ago.

SAGE OF ESOPUS NOT IN IT

Alton B. Parker Seems to Have Qualified for Down and Out Club—Mosquitoes, New Brand of Hen Food.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—(Special.)—Now that Mr. Bryan has come and vanished into the West, New York has had the opportunity to think over the impression he made on that warm evening when letters of fire under the big gilded Diana on the dome of the Madison Square Garden blazoned forth the mystic words:

BRYAN—MILLE CHAMPAGNE.

This insignium simply signified that while Mlle. Champagne was the histrionic attraction on the roof garden, Mr. Bryan was holding forth in the great hall below. It is a fact that the crowds that thronged to the Garden to hear Mr. Bryan on this occasion were not nearly so great as when, ten years ago, heralded as the "Boy Orator of the Platte," he made his initial appearance in New York. Then the throng overflowed far out into Madison Square, while last week there was room for 5,000 more persons in the Garden itself. On the former occasion, however, Mr. Bryan was a curiosity, and New York flocked to see him just as it flocked to see Dowie or Prince Henry. A Boy Orator of the Platte was a new show. But as a statesman, who has just toured the world, Mr. Bryan furnished no curiosity, for scores of New Yorkers return from such trips every week. Mr. Bryan's reception in the metropolis was scarcely a New York reception. It was engineered largely by men from other cities and strangers in town were in the majority at the Garden. The big meeting caused no diminution in the theater audiences or the Coney Island throngs of that evening.

New York Likes Bryan.

But New York, aside from all political considerations, has a really warm place in its heart for Mr. Bryan personally. The town admires his honesty and persistency. And it is very unusual for New York, with what has been called its parochial snobbishness, to give any serious consideration to a personage who hails from as far away from the Hudson as the Great Nebraskan. In 1896 Father Knickerbocker regarded Mr. Bryan as a political freak, but now he is much more "one of us" than Alton B. Parker ever was. That worthy gentleman, by the way, who ran for President only two years ago, has been effectually swallowed up in New York. There was no mention of him in all the speeches at the Bryan reception, and he was not present, though the leaders of Democracy from all over the country were there. It looks indeed as if the Sage of Esopus had qualified for a life membership in the Down and Out Club.

Use for Mosquitoes.

A New York man, William A. Woodbury, has at last found a use for the mosquito, the bane of all the suburbs of the metropolis, and he declares that the much-maligned insect should be cul-

tivated instead of eradicated. The gentleman in question has a summer home on Long Island, where the little pests—or blessings—abound in great numbers. One night he set up a net with a large opening and a brilliant light at the small end. In the morning the net was full of mosquitoes and other insects. These he fed to the hens, and according to venacious chroniclers, the fowls thrive wonderfully on the food and proceeded to lay eggs at a furious rate in order to show their appreciation. Mr. Woodbury estimates that he has caught about a ton of mosquitoes for his hens and ducks since summer began and he advises all farmers to go in for his cheap brand of hen food.

YALE WANTS A CHANCE.

NEW HAVEN, Sept. 8.—It can be stated authoritatively that if Yale should defeat Harvard next summer at New London that a crew would be sent to England if offered the opportunity and Cambridge should send an invitation to have the winning crew at New London go to England.

WHEELER SUMMARY FIRST.

SALEM, Sept. 8.—Wheeler County's summary of assessment for the year 1906 was received in the office of the Secretary of State yesterday which is one of the first county summaries to have been received this year. The total assessed valuation of all property in Wheeler County is given as \$1,376,088, which is but a slight increase over that of the previous year, \$1,305,385.

CONTINUE INQUIRY

Additional Evidence of Hippie Forgeries Is Found.

DIRECTORS MAY BE GUILTY

District Attorney Says He Has Not as Yet Found Any Evidence of Criminality of Directors, But May.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 8.—The district attorney has found additional evidence of what is believed to have been extensive forgeries by Frank K. Hippie, involving the stock in important corporations. Attention is being paid to the possible liability of the criminal and civil directors of the institution. Regarding the phase Mr. Bell said: "Up to tonight I have not found absolute evidence of criminality so far as the directors are concerned. This does not mean, however, that such evidence is not in existence. But one thing is certain, if we find such evidence you may rest assured that prosecutions will follow."

DAN PATCH BREAKS RECORD.

ST. PAUL, Sept. 8.—Dan Patch demonstrated his right to the title "King of Pacers" at the state fair grounds this afternoon by breaking the previous record, held by himself, and clipping a quarter of a second off the record established last season at Lexington. The mile was made in 1:55 flat. The mile was made with a runner in front and a dust shield and another runner at his hip. For this reason there is a doubt whether the record will be allowed by the trotting association.

CALL FOR SPECIAL SESSION.

HAVANA, Sept. 8.—President Palma tonight issued a call for a special session of Congress to convene Sept. 14, to consider the disturbed condition of the country and measures for ending the situation. The President is weary of the complications and is anxious to divide the responsibility with Congress. There are reports of fighting in many places. The railroads have been cut and the wires are out of commission generally.

GOVERNMENT RESTS CASE

Defense Begins Case in Land Fraud Trial.

FIRST WITNESS CALLED

A. C. Woodcock, Attorney for Puter and Mc Kinley Goes on Witness Stand.

DENIES HE WAS INTOXICATED

Witness Says He Was Not Drunk at the Meetings of Defense's Lawyers—Never Saw Mays There.

PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—The Government rested and the defense began its introduction of testimony in the trial of Senator Mays, Willard N. Jones and George Sorenson before Judge Hunt in the United States Circuit Court this forenoon. About an hour was consumed after court opened by the Government in putting finishing touches to its case. Two witnesses were called by the Government and some arrangements made to clear the record, and then Mr. Honey's long-looked-for announcement, "The Government rests," came. W. D. Fenton on behalf of Senator Mays, moved the court direct the jury to return a verdict of not guilty as to Mays, predicated it upon three grounds—first, because the Government had failed to show where Mays had been connected with the conspiracy; second, that the evidence is insufficient, if true, and, third, that there was a fatal variance between the evidence and the indictment. This was intended merely as a formal motion, which was filed without argument.

"Let it be overruled and the exceptions of the defense allowed," ruled Judge Hunt, and the trial on the defense's behalf was begun.

The first witness was A. C. Woodcock, a lawyer of Eugene, who appeared as attorney for Puter and McKinley in the celebrated 11-7 case. The defense called him to prove that the statement of S. A. D. Puter Thursday, that Mays was his attorney and took an active part in the case outside of court and conferred with the other lawyers evenings and Sundays, at Judge Pipes' office, was untrue. Woodcock said he was at most of the consultations held by the defense's lawyers during the trial, and that Senator Mays was never there to his knowledge. On cross-examination Mr. Honey asked Woodcock if he was at all the consultations held, and he said he was. Mr. Honey asked him if it were not a fact that he was intoxicated nearly every night, and that he was so intoxicated at times that he was unable to attend to business. Woodcock said he had never heard of it before. Witness finally said he was at the consultations nearly every night—that he probably absented himself two nights a week.

Woodcock was still on the stand when court adjourned at noon. The defense expects to complete its case by Monday night, and the long-fought issue will probably reach the jury near the last of next week.

WORD OF WELLMAN.

CHRISTIANIA, Sept. 8.—The Attonblad's Tromsø correspondent says that Walter Wellman, head of the Chicago Record-Herald's expedition, has arrived there with his balloon, which will be sent to Paris for improvements on the motors.

RECEIVED \$2,185,000.

Fortune Paid Mrs. Ziegler Rather Than Have Lawsuit.

NEW YORK, Sept. 8.—An accounting filed with the Surrogate by the executors of the estate of William Ziegler discloses for the first time that \$2,185,000 was paid by the executors to settle the action instituted by Mr. Ziegler's widow to have the instrument declared invalid. The action was brought by Mrs. Ziegler a few days after her husband's death in May of last year. It was alleged that at the time of its execution Mr. Ziegler was not competent to make a will. Mr. Ziegler had left practically the whole of his estate to his adopted son, William Ziegler, Jr., after providing that his widow should receive an income of \$50,000 a year. The account shows that the estate has increased more than \$1,000,000. It originally amounted to \$12,382,929.

PLANS FOR REFORM.

BERLIN, Sept. 8.—Emperor William has determined to discover what is wrong with the German colonies and after returning from the maneuvers will receive in audience Herr Dernburg, the new director of the colonial office, and discuss plans for reform.

MANY BUILDING PERMITS.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 8.—During the week just ended 237 building permits involving \$1,064,000 were issued. Of these 132 were for permanent buildings.

MADE A RICH HAUL

Revolutionists Draw Out Fortune From Bank.

DISCOVERY MADE TOO LATE

Money Placed in Vladivostok Bank by Russian Soldiers—Bold Revolutionists Dress as Soldiers and Secure Cash.

VLADIVOSTOK, Sept. 8.—By means of a bold artifice, a party of revolutionists today obtained possession of \$107,000, which had been sent here by the Thirtieth regiment.

Three men, attired as an officer and two soldiers in uniform of that regiment appeared at the bank where the money was on deposit and withdrew the entire amount.

The men disappeared immediately and later it was learned they were impostors.

COLLECTORS ORGANIZE.

Weary of Chasing Man Who Postpones Payment.

CHICAGO, Sept. 8.—Announcing that they were tired of chasing hopeless "delinquents" several hundred Chicago collecting agents met yesterday and organized a collectors' union. They propose to "protect themselves against unscrupulous persons, who refuse to pay their debts." It was decided to prepare a list of names of those who by various devices postpone from one week to another the payment of installments. At the regular meeting of the union, which will be held every fortnight, the "dead beat" list will be revised and each collector then will start out with a memorandum giving hints as to how different debtors should be approached. It is proposed to later affiliate with the Chicago Federation of Labor.

TOUGH ON "UNCLE JOE."

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 8.—The Maine political campaign closes today with many rallies and final speeches by prominent men. Speaker Cannon, who shows the effect of making nine addresses in five days, will speak at Ellsworth tonight, with Senator Eugene Hale, who will deliver his only speech of the campaign.

MAY BE CASE OF MURDER

Mysterious Death of an Unknown Man.

ONLY ONE SHOT HEARD

Body is Found in Vacant Lot at Mount Tabor and Suspicion is Aroused.

MAY PROVE TO BE SUICIDE

Coroner Finley Believes The Man Killed Himself—An Investigation Will Be Made—Bullet Hole in the Head.

PORTLAND, Sept. 8.—With a bullet hole in his forehead, a revolver lying by his side and without anything in his pockets to indicate his identity or how he came to his death, a well-dressed stranger was found dead this morning in the grass and weeds of a vacant lot at the corner of Baker avenue and Clark street, Mount Tabor. The body was found within 50 feet of the back porch of the residence of Mrs. Craft, the discovery being made by A. L. Rumsey, while rounding up his horses which he pastures in the vacant lot.

The members of the Craft family and several others living in the thickly settled neighborhood, heard a single shot in the vicinity of the pasture early last night, but as shots at night in that portion of the city are not unusual they paid no attention to the matter, never dreaming that a tragedy had occurred until the stranger's lifeless body was found by the merest accident this morning. Coroner Finley, after viewing the body, says he believes the man committed suicide, though he purposes to make a thorough investigation.

Mr. Rumsey was walking over the pasture about 8:30 this morning, trying to drive his horses to the barn, when he stumbled over something in a thick clump of grass and weeds. Stooping to see what it was, he saw the form of a man. He lay on his back and in the center of his forehead was a big bullet hole, badly powder burned, and from which a big pool of blood had oozed. At his side lay a cheap 38-calibre Smith & Wesson revolver, one cartridge of which had been fired.

GERMAN YACHT WINS.

German Yacht Wannsee Wins Heat in Hard Fought Race.

MARBLE HEAD, Sept. 8.—In a hard fought contest over a windward and leeward course, the German yacht Wannsee won today's race, the fourth of the series for the Roosevelt cup. The American yacht Auk was defeated for second place by the Caramba, and the American yacht Vim, twice a victor, withdrew because she had fouled the Caramba at the start.

BRITISH LEGATION CROWDED.

People Protest Against Delay in Signing Ordinance.

TEHERAN, Sept. 8.—The bazaars here are again closed. The people once more are flocking to the British legation in protest against the delay in signing the revised ordinance, proposed by the clergy, relative to the projected National Assembly. The people declare they will remain at the British legation until the Shah signs the ordinance and exiles the late Grand Vicer and others, who are opposing reforms.

STEVE ADAMS RE-ARRESTED.

Witness in Steunenberg Case Is Wanted in Denver for Murder of Gregory.

BOISE, Sept. 8.—The state today made known the release of Steve Adams, a witness in the Steunenberg case on a writ of habeas corpus issued yesterday on application of his uncle, John Lillard, of Haines, Oregon. No charge had been lodged against Adams in this state and he was kept in the penitentiary with his full consent. He was immediately re-arrested on a fugitive warrant sworn out here on telegraphic instructions from Sheriff Nesbit of Denver, Colorado. The dispatch stated that Adams was wanted for the murder of Lyte Gregory in that city on May 15, 1904. His hearing is set for Monday. It is expected an officer from Denver will be here in a few days.

A BAD COMBINATION.

OMAHA, Sept. 8.—The labor unions of Omaha are preparing for a festival at a local summer resort to last all next week. Among the speakers who will be in attendance are W. J. Bryan, Eugene V. Debs and Samuel Gompers.

LOSES TECHNICAL PLEAS.

FINDLAY, O., Sept. 8.—Judge Banker today overruled motions to quash the information suit filed against John D. Rockefeller and all the Standard Oil cases. A plea of abatement was filed in each case, and all were overruled, and the defendants given until next Tuesday to file motions.

NEW RIVER MYSTERY

Launch Zephyr, of Chinook, Found Near Pillar Rock.

AGROUND AND ABANDONED

Left This City at 3 O'clock Yesterday Afternoon for Up-River Trip—Discovered by Elliott Boys and Word Sent by Lurline.

Another mystery of the Columbia developed yesterday evening as the Kamm steamer Lurline was ripping down the stream, Astoria-bound, and was hauled into the spit near Pillar Rock by some parties gathered there around a trim looking motor launch, and who informed Captain Larkin, when he came within talking distance, that the boat, the Zephyr of Chinook, had just been found there by the party (who proved to be the Elliott boys, living on the Oregon bank nearby) with her propeller churning away at full speed, her nose buried in the sand and not a soul aboard. They notified the captain because he was bound for this city and the launch had been seen coming up stream from this port before her plight was determined, and they thought the news should be sent here in order to unravel the mystery surrounding her.

Captain Larkin passed the word immediately the Lurline berthed here and subsequent inquiry develops the following facts. The launch is the property of Gardlin Brothers, of Chinook, the well known fishermen there, and left this city for some up-stream point, at 3 o'clock yesterday, crossing the bows of the T. J. Potter, just as that steamer swung out from the O. R. & N. dock for Ilwaco. Just what her errand was, or who was in command of her, could not be ascertained last night; but the inference is as clear as it is startling, that some grave misfortune has overtaken the man who went out on her.

What befel him can only be surmised in the absence of specific information, and the hope is always at command that things are not so black as they appear on the surface. The Astorian exhausted all avenues available last night likely to yield definite information, but beyond what is here written is but conjecture and time and search must furnish the history of what is, at present, but sheer mystery, with a warrant for very unhappy conclusions.