



CONVENTION NAMES KERN

Indiana Man Slated for the Vice Presidency

ALLOthers WITHDRAW

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DENVER, July 10.—The Democratic Convention concluded its labors late this afternoon by nominating John Worth Kern, of Indiana, for the vice-presidency thus completing the ticket on which William J. Bryan was made the nominee for president during the early hours this morning.

The nomination of Kern was made by acclamation amid resounding cheers of delegates and spectators. No ballot was necessary, as the trend of sentiment had set irresistibly toward the Indiana candidate, state after state registering their delegations in his favor and all other candidates withdrawing under the steady demand for Kern's nomination.

Indiana presented Kern; Colorado placed in nomination Charles A. Towne, through ex-Governor Thomas; Connecticut presented Archibald McNeill, and Georgia, Clark Howell. The names of Judge Gray of Delaware and John Mitchell of Illinois was not presented, owing to the positive requests that these men would not have their names go before the convention. For a time it looked as though no ballot would be required, but in the steady line of states which joined in the seconding of Kern's nomination soon made it apparent that the chances for all other candidates had been obliterated.

Towne was in the position to be the first person to recognize the decisive nature of the Kern movement, and in a ringing speech he withdrew his name from consideration and pledged his support to the ticket of Bryan and Kern. Other withdrawals quickly followed from the supporters of Howell and McNeill, leaving the Indiana candidate alone in the field. The withdrawal of the Connecticut candidate was accompanied by a motion that Kern be nominated by acclamation. The motion was carried amid a deafening shout and the great assemblage broke into a clamorous demonstration on the accomplishment of its work and the completion of the democratic ticket.

The nomination was made at 4:20. The convention thereupon adjourned without date. The democratic national committee will assemble Monday to complete its new organization and select the chairman.

When notified of his nomination while at his hotel, Kern said: "I profoundly appreciate the honor conferred upon me, and I regard the honor all the greater because I did not seek the place nor did my delegation."

Tomorrow night Kern will leave for Lincoln to confer with Bryan.

The Democratic National Committee will confer with Bryan at Lincoln next Tuesday. The committee met today for the purpose of organizing but after the receipt of the telegram from Bryan, they decided to

defer action until the wishes of the Nebraskan could be ascertained. Thomas Taggart was elected temporary chairman and Urey Woodson, the temporary secretary to serve until the permanent managers were selected. John E. Lamb of Terre Haute, Ind., was prominently mentioned for the chairman of the Democratic National Committee. The skillful manager in which Lamb handled the vice-presidential campaign for Kern has made him prominent in the party.

BASEBALL GAMES.

National League.

At Chicago—Chicago 3, Philadelphia 2.
Pittsburg—Pittsburg 7, New York 6.

At St. Louis—St. Louis 0, Brooklyn 3.

At Cincinnati—Cincinnati 5, Boston 4.

American League.

At Philadelphia—Philadelphia 0, St. Louis 6.

At Washington—Washington 2, Chicago 2 (16 innings); game called on account of darkness.

At Boston—Boston 2, Cleveland 5.

Pacific Coast League.

At Portland—Portland 0, San Francisco (13 innings); game called on account of darkness.

At San Francisco—Oakland 5, Los Angeles 3.

Northwest League.

At Vancouver—Vancouver 4, Seattle 0.

At Spokane—Aberdeen 2, Spokane 4.

At Butte—Tacoma 0, Butte 14.

UNLUCKY FOR BRYAN

Because He Received His Nomination on Friday

TRIED TO FIX THE CLOCK

Superstitious Sergeant-at-Arms Stopped the Clock Just Before Midnight But Destiny Doesn't Take Account of Such Interference, it is Thought

DENVER, July 10.—Maybe there will always be a question whether Bryan was nominated, officially, on Friday. According to the big clock in the Convention Hall, it is a few minutes before 12 o'clock on Thursday, the 9th of July.

It was a superstitious sergeant-at-arms who arranged for the week without a Friday and he put his idea into effect without consulting anyone. Having accomplished his purpose, the cheer of the Democrats proved the unanimous adoption of their mental resolutions.

When the hands of the clock in the auditorium last night pointed close to the hour of 12, the superstitious sergeant-at-arms climbed to the top of the railing opposite the speaker's platform and stopped time in its flight. The cheers which followed indicated the assembled delegates and visitors did not want to see important business transacted on Friday.

Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, perhaps the most interested person in the entire convention, remained to the end of the all-night session witnessing the furious demonstration when her father was nominated by acclamation, the excited yelling when his cheers made their speeches and the lesser cheers received by the two rival candidates, Johnson and Gray. Not until the votes had been cast and her father endorsed by the convention as its unanimous choice to bear the standard of the party, did she leave her seat in her box at the south end of the auditorium, and join the crowd hurrying homeward. Whenever enthusiasm at the mention of the great leader's name broke loose, all eyes were turned toward Mrs. Leavitt, who, smilingly and happily, listened to the ovations accorded her father.

UNDERTAKERS IN SESSION

Funerals Are Altogether Too Long

SO AVERS A PREACHER

At McMinnville the Grave Men Listen to a Radical Address

ABOLISH SUNDAY FUNERALS

There "Is Too Much Eulogizing" and Praising, and "It Isn't Necessary to Stand Bareheaded Around the Grave," Argues Rev. A. M. Williams

PORTLAND, July 10.—Home funerals are better than church funerals. Abolish Sunday funerals. Give guests more than "standing room.

Only the family of the deceased should have the "last look."

There are a great many people who should not be allowed to "look at even a good-looking corpse."

It's not necessary to stand bareheaded around the grave while the clouds rattle on the coffin.

Don't let fraternal orders advertise their tedious forms by long ceremonies.

Funeral services are altogether too long.

There is too much "eulogizing and speechifying."

It's bad taste to laud the dead; if the departed deserved it, it doesn't help any, and if he didn't, it is equally futile.

Theological seminaries should have a chair on "funerals."

The annual convention of the Oregon Funeral Directors' Association just closed at McMinnville unanimously endorsed and will work for a system of "Funeral Reforms" advocated by Rev. A. M. Williams, pastor of the Presbyterian Church, of McMinnville, in his address before the convention. Some of the suggestions are original, some are unique, and all of them have grown out of the experience of preachers and undertakers in the course of their doleful careers.

Dr. Williams declared that the home is a better place for a funeral than the church, where it is possible to provide room for the guests, and he deplored the ancient and "senseless custom" of everybody forming a procession and filing past the open casket to get one last look at the features of the departed. Only the family should have the last look after the body has lain in state a certain number of hours for those to view who care to.

Another reform needed was that of quickening the pace of funeral processions, and still another was the habit of compelling the guests to get wet to the skin, frozen to the bone or forced to chew dust in a wearisome tramp on foot from the church or home to the cemetery.

Dr. Wilson also intimated in the course of his talk that there was "altogether too much laudation of the deceased, not enough music or religion, on the ground that if the deceased had not lived a proper life, it did no good to sermonize and preach "Prepare to meet thy God," and if the loved one had been a good citizen, lived an upright life, a eulogy over his dust would not help him any either,

SHOT BY BANDITS

American Resident is Fatally Wounded While On A Journey In Mexico.

SAN JOSE Cal., July 10.—According to a letter received last night by the Mercury, Elvador Agraz, a druggist who has been employed both here and at Gilroy, is dying at a civil hospital in Mexico from injuries received in a fight with bandits in which he was shot through the lungs and through both legs. The letter was signed by Frederick Hendrick and he states that Agraz gave him the names of relatives in San Jose, but that in the excitement he forgot the address and he hopes through the papers to inform his people. Hendrick and Agraz, who is a brother of the famous professional bicycle rider, Emil Agraz, were, it appears making a trip through a part of Mexico, in a mountainous country.

When the letter was written Agraz was in a civil hospital at Villa Chua near the scene of the robbery. The letter leaves no hope for Agraz's recovery. The writer dated his letter Lagos, Mexico.

SWEET MARIE WINS.

READVILLE, July 10.—Sweet Marie won the free-for-all race for the trotting championship of the world today, capturing the first and third heats, losing the second to Major Delmar. Wilkes Heart was a poor third except in the second heat when he took the second place after a hard struggle for the lead. Best time was in the first heat. The time was 2:06.

BRYAN GREET'S KERN

Sends Pleasant Message to His Colleague

THEY'RE PERSONAL FRIENDS

Nebraskan Telegraphs His Congratulations and Says Kern's Nomination Pleases Him Very Much—Was on Bryan's Available List Some Time.

LINCOLN, July 10.—William J. Bryan, Democratic nominee for the presidency, sent the following telegram to J. W. Kern, who was today nominated by the Democratic National Convention for the second place on the ticket:

"Hon. John W. Kern, Denver, Colo.

"Accept my warmest congratulations. Your nomination gratifies me very much. We have a splendid platform and I am glad to have a running mate in such complete harmony with the platform, step off and see us on your way east.

"WILLIAM J. BRYAN." Kern and Bryan have been political and personal friends for many years and Kern has always been on Bryan's available list for the vice-presidential nomination, it is now said.

BIG WASHINGTON FIRE.

SPOKANE, July 10.—A dispatch from Grand Forks, says that a fire early today wiped out two and a half blocks of the business section. The loss is nearly \$300,000.

MUST MAKE BETTER SHOWING

PENDLETON, Or., July 10.—Secretary of the Interior Garfield visited the Umatilla Irrigation project today and decided that no more land will be opened to settlement, and the use of water until after a better showing has been made on the 7000 acres that is now under water; also that the big holdings must be broken up. Actual residence will be required. The present settlers will be given a year extension time to make their first payments for the water.

HISTORY OF J. W. KERN

Born in Alto, Howard Co., Indiana, in 1849

ALWAYS A POOR BOY

Earned Money to Enter the Michigan University, Graduating in 1869

TAUGHT A COUNTRY SCHOOL

Was Fifteen Years Old When He Saw First Railroad—Has Two Sons and One Daughter—Defeated For Governor in 1900.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 10.—John Worth Kern was born on December 20, 1849, in the village of Alto, in Howard county, Indiana. When John was five years old his family moved to Iowa. From the time they went to Iowa and until he was 15 years of age John Kern did not see a railroad train. The family moved back to Howard county in 1864. John went to the district school and entered the Indiana Normal, riding 10 miles on horseback each way. Later he taught school near Alto and earned money enough to enter the Michigan university at Ann Arbor, graduating from the law department in 1869. He began practicing law at Kokomo. He was drafted when 21 years old to make the race for the legislature but was defeated. He was chosen city attorney at Kokomo for six terms over the Republican aspirants. In 1884 he was elected as a reported for the supreme court. Since then he has made his home at Indianapolis where he has practiced law. He served the county in the legislature and was the leader of his party for the state senate. He was nominated for governor but was again defeated. He has been president of the Commercial Club, was also prominent in state and civic movements. Mrs. Kern is prominent in all social and literary affairs of the city. Miss Julia Kern, his daughter, is well known socially. He has two sons, John W. Kern Jr., aged nine, and William H. Kern, now five years old.

TAFT CAMPAIGN.

Publicity of Campaign Funds to be a Feature.

HOT SPRINGS, Vir., July 10.—That publicity of campaign funds is to be made a feature of the coming campaign, was made very clear today. Taft in an extended talk with Chairman Hitchcock and with George R. Sheldon, the treasurer of the National Committee, the necessity of the strictest compliance with a New York law, in relation to the publicity campaign funds of the National Committee was the chief topic. Referring to suggestions that the Republican party might receive funds outside of New York, and not include them in the report of the national treasurer, Taft replied promptly that it was possible to commit perjury in such a case, but he scouted the idea that the purpose of giving publicity of funds of party in the coming campaign is not entirely sincere. Sheldon declared that both the name and amounts will be published and said the money campaign will be "tight" this year, but that the publicity feature would not lessen the amounts contributed.

GOVERNMENT LOSES SUIT.

VANCOUVER, B. C., July 10.—The two years' contest between the McLean Brothers and the Yukon Government over the validity of their lease on five miles of the Dominion Creek resulted in a victory for McLeans. The property is worth several millions of dollars. The government must pay all costs of the long-fought suit.

KILLED BY TRIBESMEN

MANILA, July 10.—A telegram from Negros says Lieut. Ahern is on his way to Manila with the bodies of H. D. Everett, a former government forester, and T. R. Wakeley, formerly a school teacher who were killed by hill tribesmen on June 24. No details have yet been received.

THE CRUISERS RETURN

SAN FRANCISCO, July 10.—The cruisers successfully towed the torpedo destroyers. The Tennessee and Washington will sail Sunday for Bremerton and will remain there until the middle of August, when they will return here, ready for the South Sea cruise.

MILLIONAIRE IS DEAD.

OAKLAND, July 10.—J. J. Nelson, the millionaire who was injured yesterday when his automobile which he was operating, turned over near Hayward, died in the hospital last night, after an unsuccessful operation for a ruptured artery at the base of his brain.

THANKS FROM BRYAN

Upon Receiving News of His Nomination

WANTS NO SECOND TERM

Says That If He Is Elected He Will Not Be a Candidate For Re-election—Nomination Was "From the People."

FAIRVIEW, LINCOLN Neb, July 10.—The following statement was made by William J. Bryan when at 4:34 a. m. he received an announcement of his nomination as presidential candidate of the democratic party:

"The honor is the highest official position in the world and no one occupying it can afford to have his views upon public questions biased by personal ambition. Recognizing his responsibility to God and his obligation to his countrymen he should enter upon the discharge of his duties with singleness of purpose. Believing that one can best do this when he is not planning for a 2nd term, I announce now, as I have on former occasions that if elected, I shall not be a candidate for re-election.

"This is a nomination plainly from the people and my obligation will be purely to the people. I appreciate the honor more because it came not from one person or a few persons but from the rank and file acting freely and without compulsion."

PEARLS SOLD CHEAP

Were Smuggled From Mexico by Manuel Cornejo, Who Gave Bond For \$4000, But Later he Flew.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 10.—One hundred and fifty five pearls alleged to have been smuggled from Mexico by Manuel Cornejo, which were seized by the government, have been sold by U. S. Marshall Elliott for \$4,000. Cornejo fled while on \$4000 bail which amount was also secured by the government to-day.