

HEARST'S NOMINATION SEEMS CERTAINTY

BOOM FOR PUBLISHER AND TROOPS SENT CUBA

Murphy and Tammany Out for Journalist and Albany Swings Into Line Also

Old Line Democrats Rally Around Jerome's Standard for Finish Fight—Short Session Held Today—Effort to Shut Out Bryan Resolutions.

(Journal Special Service.)
 Buffalo, Sept. 25.—The Democratic state convention was called to order at noon in order to nominate a full state ticket. Lewis Nixon, for a short time leader of Tammany hall, was made temporary chairman, being agreed upon by all factions.

This morning's session of the convention lasted 20 minutes. It was energetic, but not enthusiastic. All the energy was stored for the big fight tomorrow which has developed into a contest between Hearst and Jerome. Old line Democrats have swung around to Jerome and are going to fight Hearst to the limit. The new chairman of the state committee will be either Jay McAlister of Albany or William Conover of Erie.

Hearst Boom Strong.
 All night and this morning the bitter fight being waged between Hearst supporters and the anti-Hearst men raged with no prospect of peace. Hearst seems to have the upper hand and his up-state friends, with Murphy, to be in control of the convention.

The Hearst boom was stronger than ever when the convention convened.

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WARSHIPS AND TROOPS SENT CUBA

President Orders 1,000 Marines and More Battleships to Go to Restore Quiet

Taft Discouraged Over Palma's Refusal to Agree Upon Terms Arranged With Rebels and Convinced That Troops Should Be Ready for Emergency.

(Journal Special Service.)
 Washington, Sept. 25.—Upon the request of Secretary Taft, the president has ordered more ships and 1,000 more marines to be sent to Cuba.

All marines now aboard the North Atlantic fleet of battleships, numbering 450, are ordered to leave for Cuba immediately. Six hundred from the Atlantic coast stations will follow in a few days. It is intimated that Secretary Taft has warned the president that his mission is likely to fail. Small ships are scarce, so it is likely the battleships will have to go.

The war department was in close communication with Oyster Bay this morning, and it is believed the president has ordered the department to have the troops ready for emergency.

The battleships Texas and cruiser Brooklyn and Prarie will go to Cuba and the Columbia will also probably go upon her return from Panama with Secretary Root.

Reports from Havana state that Taft is discouraged, owing to the reported refusal of President Palma to agree upon the terms that Taft arranged yesterday with the rebels. There is trouble in Havana over the calling of new elec-

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Bang! Bang! Bang! Goes the Hammer on the Anvil.

Business Men Would Prove Oregonian a Traitor

"LET US TAKE CENSUS" THEY SAY.

RUSSIAN PATRIOT SENDS DYNAMITE BOMB TO SCHIFF
WOULD REVEAL TRUE FIGURES
FAT ACTRESS TO BECOME COUSIN TO THE KAISER

Proposal to Take Independent Census Meets With Instant and Popular Approval.

"Let the business men of Portland, the various commercial organizations and every one who takes an interest in the city combine and take an accurate and complete census of Portland's population," is the suggestion of D. Chambers, optometrist, 129 Seventh street.

The proposal has met with hearty and instantaneous encouragement on the part of business men and residents of Portland generally. In that way a fair and impartial census can be taken, it is claimed, and all further controversy as to the number of inhabitants of Portland may be avoided.

The editorial in the Oregonian estimating this city's population at 120,000 is the severest knock Portland has ever received, in the opinion of Mr. Chambers. It destroys whatever beneficial effects the extensive and expensive advertising by the various commercial organizations may have accomplished, he believes.

"In order to determine accurately and finally what the actual population of Portland is, I think it would be a good idea if a canvass were made by the business men," he said. "Every one who takes an interest in the city would aid in every way possible to obtain the correct figures and the conclusion would be accepted not only by Portland enemies, but by the world.

"It is a serious blow to Portland that one of her newspapers should place such an estimate on her population. Newspapers are generally supposed to be correct in the cities in which they are published, and such an article will be seized upon by those who are trying to 'knock' Portland.

"They will argue, and plausibly, that if a newspaper does not claim any more than 120,000 the city certainly hasn't that large a population. But the most casual observer would estimate the city's population at nearer 200,000 than at those figures. The cost of such a canvass as I suggest would not be large, and indeed would be trivial compared with the results."

Business Men Endorse It.
 Mr. Chambers' proposal has been generally endorsed by business men of Portland, who resent the mud bath given the city by the editorial of its traitor newspaper. Such misrepresentations, they declare, have done the city irreparable damage.

Indicating the wonderful growth of the city and the wilful misrepresentations of the Oregonian the receipts of the city water department are cited in the trail say is absolutely certain.

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COLONIST TRAVEL IS HEAVY

Railroad Officials Say Records of Previous Years Are Broken by Traffic From Eastern Points to Oregon and Idaho

Returns from the sale of tickets in the 1906 colonist movement which began with the first of September are being received by the general passenger office of the O. R. & N. Co. The figures show that colonist travel from the eastern states to Oregon is about 100 per cent heavier than for the same weeks of the colonist movement last year. There is also a tremendous increase in first-class travel over all previous years excepting the expedition season.

New people to reside in Oregon are arriving via the Union Pacific system at the rate of more than 125 daily, and the volume is increasing every week. It is believed that for the 60-day period in which the low rates from the east apply, there will be upward of 10,000 people brought to Oregon and Idaho by the Union Pacific system alone, besides several thousand who will come through by the Hill roads. The Northern Pacific colonist travel this fall is said to be heavier than at any previous time in its history, and the increase over last year is estimated to be at least 25 per cent. No actual figures have yet been compiled showing the ticket receipts.

The sale of colonist tickets in the east began August 27, and will continue to October 31. The people began arriving in Oregon the first week in September. From the first week's report the increase was rapid and it is now seen that the influx of settlers will be enormous. The O. R. & N. records for the two weeks ending September 15 show an increase of more than 50 per cent for each week over the preceding week, and this ratio of increase is said to have kept up. The figures for the two weeks named showed that 1,287 colonists arrived.

Portland got 322, points south of Portland, 140; Hood River, 15; The Dalles, 13; Biggs, 4; Echo, 1; Pendleton, 2; LaGrande, 2; Elsie, 7; Union, 2; Baker City, 2; Milton, 7; Walla Walla, 16; Dayton, 3; Pomeroy, 5; Astoria, 3; Arlington, 2; Heppner, 1; Riparia, 1; Lewiston, 1; Colfax, 5; Pullman, 5; Wagon, 1; Okadla, 1; Moscow, 6; Farmington, 2; Tekoa, 2; Warden, 6; Wallace, 20; Fairfield, 2; Mosier, 3; Shaniko, 1. There were in the same period 119

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MRS. ASTOR FEARS POISONING PLOTS

Leader of New York's Smart Set Suffers From Hallucinations and Delusions—Evidently Breaking Down Mentally—Has House Surrounded by Watchmen.

(Journal Special Service.)
 Newport, R. I., Sept. 25.—Mrs. William Astor, leader of the four hundred, who was brought here ill a week ago last Saturday from Boston, is in a serious condition. She is constantly watched over night and day by trained nurses, her daughter and woman companion and servants, and even the outside of the house is guarded by a watchman on account of a hallucination from which she suffers.

Mrs. Astor fears kidnapping and poisoning plots, and while under delusions will not leave the house unless attended by her daughter, Mrs. Hatz, her companion, Miss Simrock, and Hade, her personal servant. She also insists upon her nurses and servants leaving all food brought to her before she will consent to eat it, for fear she will be poisoned.

The vagaries of Mrs. Astor in her present mental state have caused much concern in the household, and, rather than unobtrusively excite her by opposing her wishes, she is humored in them until she either forgets her plans or is satisfied that her instructions have been obeyed.

Only a couple of evenings past Mrs. Astor conceived the idea that it was necessary for her to go to New York immediately on important business, and when she would not yield to persuasion to postpone the trip a closed carriage was ordered, and with her daughter, Miss Simrock and a trained nurse, and Hade on the box seat with the coachman, Mrs. Astor was driven from her home, ostensibly to go to the railroad station.

Instead, the carriage was driven about the streets of Newport for two hours and then back to Beechwood, her magnificent estate on Bellevue avenue. Mrs. Astor had forgotten her plan for going to New York and was well satisfied with the drive.

PRINEVILLE STOCKMAN MURDERED

B. F. Zell Shot Down by A. Shepard, Employe, Who Is Placed Under Arrest

Assassin Arouses Rancher From Bed, Calls to His Wife to Assist Him in Tying Her Husband, Then Empties Winchester Into Fleeing Man.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
 Prineville, Or., Sept. 25.—B. F. Zell, 40 years of age, one of the most prominent and respected stockraisers in this locality, was murdered yesterday morning at 5 o'clock at his ranch, 20 miles southeast of here, by A. Shepard, one of his farm employes for several months past.

Shepard was sleeping in a barn near the Zell house, and at an early hour yesterday morning arose and went to the house occupied by Zell and his wife, with a Winchester rifle and some rope. Zell and his wife were in bed at the time.

Asks Wife to Help.
 After gaining entrance to the house he called to his wife to help him. His husband immediately jumped from bed and in some way made his escape from the room into the yard, running toward the barn, with Shepard in close pursuit, firing repeatedly. Zell ran through the barn when Shepard fired the fatal shot, hitting him in the back, death following instantly.

Shepard was brought to Prineville and lodged in the county jail by Sheriff E. Kincaid. He at first maintained his innocence.

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HERRIN MAY ATTEMPT TO BOSS STATE

Whispered That Harriman's Manipulator of Political Interests Will Get Busy in Oregon

May Do in Oregon What He Has Done in California in Way of Lining Up Politicians on Behalf of the Southern Pacific Railroad.

When will William F. Herrin, political manipulator for the Southern Pacific company in California, extend the scope of his peculiar work to Oregon? That he is going to take a hand in affairs up this way is deemed certain by those politicians who always welcome anything that makes a noise like a corporation. Herrin has gone to New York to confer with E. H. Harriman, and it is stated on good authority that when he returns he will have full power to do politics for the Harriman lines not only in California, but in Oregon, Nevada, Arizona and New Mexico. Railroad henchmen say the story is "about right," and they ought to know.

Taking it for granted that the tool of the Herrin whistle is soon to be heard in Oregon, the question naturally arises: When is the new order of things to go into effect? Judging by present conditions the answer is that Herrin will begin his work immediately on return. Otherwise, he will not be in a position to "protect" the company's interests at the next session of the legislature, which begins in January. Governor Chamberlain is now trying to force the railroads to comply with a

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MORE NEGROES SHOT DOWN

Situation Worse in Atlanta—Over a Thousand Colored Men Under Arrest—Governor Orders More Troops Into the Field

(Journal Special Service.)
 Atlanta, Ga., Sept. 25.—The situation at Brownsville seems to be growing worse. It was expected that martial law would be proclaimed before night. The governor has been petitioned to order out additional troops to assist in maintaining order. He will send more troops, but will not declare martial law.

Two negro prisoners at Brownsville while trying to escape this morning were killed. An hour later a bicycle policeman attacking by negroes, who were barricaded. The officer killed two of them and the rest fled.

All students of the Gammon negro seminary at Brownsville were arrested this morning charged with complicity in the attacks on the officers in South Atlanta last night when Patrolman James L. Heard was killed and half a dozen other officers wounded. A number of negroes were killed in the midnight battle with policemen.

Sheriff Nolms, realizing that the troops here are insufficient to preserve order, has sworn in 250 deputies and asked the governor for arms and equipment.

Soldiers stationed at Brownsville, near the negro seminary, are arresting every armed negro found. Two hundred and seventy-five were taken early this morning and the police quarters are packed. Over 1,000 are under arrest. Troops are stationed at the hardware stores with instructions to kill any one attempting to break in and steal arms. Women have been provided with arms and are determined to protect themselves.

The governor says that he won't declare martial law and says that he will send enough troops to prevent further trouble as fast as they can be mobilized, but the civil authorities say that must be refused. He refused arms to deputies and said that after he had stopped the lynching he would punish the lynchers. Solicitor-General Hill said he would prosecute the lynchers to the full extent of the law.

30 LASHES AND 50 YEARS IN PRISON

Negro Receives Swiftest Sentence Ever Given by Delaware Court—Whipped With Cat-o-Ni-ne-Tails Before a Vast Crowd Until Skin Is Cut Open.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)
 Wilmington, Del., Sept. 25.—Charles Conley has paid partially the swiftest sentence ever given in a Delaware court. The part he has not fulfilled he will have 50 years to think about, for Conley, a big burly negro, was sentenced by Chief Justice Lora, not only to 50 years' imprisonment, but was given an additional sentence of 30 lashes on the bare back with a cat-o-nine-tails.

Conley's capture and sentence will go on record as the swiftest administration of Delaware justice. As Mrs. Albert Frankish, a white woman, and her daughter were returning from a farmer's picnic near here they were attacked by Conley. The negro attempted a felonious assault on Mrs. Frankish, but before accomplishing his foul design he was alarmed by the daughter's cries and fled.

The assault happened about 8 o'clock at night. Before morning Conley was captured by State Detectives Gray and Blackman. Before daylight he had confessed. At 10 o'clock he was indicted. Twenty minutes later he was tried and before noon was convicted and sentenced to 50 years in the state workhouse and 30 lashes.

He was removed to the workhouse to commence his imprisonment, and on the regular day he received the 30 lashes on the bare back. The whipping attracted an enormous crowd, over 2,500 persons seeking admission to see the most prisoners do, but possibly the worst were identified by the warden, and among these were some women. Mrs. Frankish and her daughter being among them, Conley took his 30 lashes before them most prisoners do, but possibly the worst were identified by the warden, and among these were some women. Mrs. Frankish and her daughter being among them, Conley took his 30 lashes before them.

MANCHURIA LABEL SUIT DISCONTINUED

(Journal Special Service.)
 Honolulu, Sept. 25.—The Manchuria libel suit is discontinued. The steamship company agreed to settle with the owners of the cableship Hester in New York.