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BRYAN OF NEBRASKA

He is the Democratic Standard Bearer.

NOMINATED ON FOURTH BALLOT

Bryan Steadily Gains From 105 to 280, When Bland Withdraws in His Favor.

CHICAGO, July 10.—The convention was called to order this morning at 10:55. A wild sensation was sprung by the refusal of Hill and other gold standard leaders to attend the session. The chairman ordered that the ballot be taken. William F. Harrity in a brief speech named Robert A. Pattison of Pennsylvania. Miller of Oregon presented the name of Sylvester Pennoyer of Oregon. The mention of Pennoyer's name called forth cheering.

A great demonstration followed the ordering of the roll call. The first ballot resulted, Bland, 233; Boies, 86; Matthews, 57; McLean, 54; Bryan, 105; Blackburn, 83; Pattison, 95; Campbell, 2; Russell, 12; Pennoyer, 10; Tillman, 17; Hill, 1; Stevenson, 2; Teller, 8. The remaining delegates, 185 in number, refused to vote. A second ballot was immediately ordered, resulting as follows: Second ballot—Bland, 257; Boies, 35; Matthews, 35; McLean, 54; Bryan, 186; Blackburn, 36; Pattison, 99; Pennoyer, 8; Teller, 8; Stevenson, 6; Hill, 1.

11 a. m.—The third ballot was taken resulting in Bland, 292; Bryan, 228; others virtually unchanged. The fourth ballot resulted in the nomination of Bryan. The vote stood, Bland, 241; Boies, 33; Matthews, 36; McLean, 46; Bryan, 280; Blackburn, 28; Pattison, 97; Stevenson, 8; Hill, 1; not voting, 162. The announcement of the vote resulted in great cheering, culminating in a most extravagant demonstration, and the substitution of the name of Bryan for various others voted for by the delegates, which insured his nomination. Bedlam reigned until 1:18 o'clock, when Stone, a Missouri delegate, took the stand and read a letter from Bland, asking to withdraw his name in favor of Bryan. Bryan is a silverite of the most prominent type. His speech in the convention yesterday was a masterly effort.

The convention then adjourned till 8 p. m. There is a great excitement over the nomination of Bryan.

MINORITY REPORT.

Nine Platform Declarations are Black-listed—Money Plank First.

CHICAGO, July 9.—Sixteen delegates composing the minority committee on resolutions, find nine declarations in the report of the majority to which they cannot give their assent.

A substitute for the financial plank in majority report is as follows:

"We declare our belief that the experiment on the part of the United States alone of the free coinage of silver and the change of the existing standard of value, independent of the action of any other great nations, would not only imperil our chances, but it would retard, or entirely prevent, the establishment of international bimetalism, to which the efforts of the government should be steadily directed. It would place the country upon a silver basis, impair contracts, disturb business, diminish the purchasing power of the wages of labor, and inflict irreparable evils upon our nation's commerce and industry. Until international co-operation among the leading nations for the free coinage of silver can be secured, we favor the rigid maintenance of the existing gold standard as essential to the preservation of our national credit.

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per and silver currency shall be kept at a parity with gold. The Democratic party is a party of hard money, and opposed to legal-tender payment as a part of our permanent financial system, and we therefore favor a gradual retirement and cancellation of all United States and treasury notes under such legislative provisions as will prevent undue contraction.

"We hold that the national credit shall be resolutely maintained at all times and under all circumstances."

The minority also feels that the report of the majority is defective in failing to make any recognition of the honesty, and economic course and fidelity of the present Democratic administration, and they therefore offer the following declaration as an amendment to the majority report:

"We commend the honesty, economic course and fidelity of the present Democratic national administration."

Senator Hill offered this report, and also the following amendments to the platform and moved their adoption:

"Amendment 1—But it should be carefully provided by law at the same time that any change in the monetary standard should not apply to existing contracts.

"Amendment 2—Our advocacy of the independent free coinage of silver being based on the belief that such coinage will effect and maintain the parity between gold and silver at the ratio of 16 to 1, we declare as a pledge of our sincerity that if such free coinage shall fail to effect such parity within one year from its enactment by law, such coinage shall thereupon be suspended.

Must Pay Postage.

CHICAGO, July 9.—Railroad companies no longer may carry their business letters over their own roads without paying postage to the government. An order has been received from Postmaster-General Wilson by Major Stewart and Postmaster Heising, insisting upon the enforcement of the postal laws against railroads carrying their own letters. An exception is made in favor of letters that have to do with the business of the train carrying them. But all letters to station agents and officials are forbidden to be carried without postage, and the inspectors are directed to enforce the law.

The railroads, however, will not be required to mail their letters as ordinary citizens and corporations. They will be supplied with a specially stamped envelope, which they must cancel on delivery to the trainmen. The express companies have been using such envelopes for some years.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Mr. Wm. Watson of Mosier is in town today.

Mr. J. C. Kelsay of Antelope is in the city today.

Mr. J. G. Farley left for the locks this afternoon.

Mrs. L. Grey is quite sick and confined to her bed.

Thos. Harlan came in from the ranch today to make final proof.

Mr. P. T. Crum leaves for his annual vacation at Moffet Springs tomorrow.

Miss Gertrude Davis of San Francisco is visiting with Hon. W. H. and Mrs. Biggs, and will remain during the summer.

Mrs. Ira F. Powers, Jr., of Portland and Miss Emma Fiske of Indianapolis came up on the Regulator last night and are guests of the Misses Michell.

Rev. L. Gray leaves for Oregon City today on a two weeks' vacation, and there will be no Lutheran services either next Sunday or the Sunday following.

SEUFERT CASE RESUMED.

The Jury Hears Evidence on the Question of Damages.

The Oregonian says the trial of the case of the United States vs. Seufert Bros., to condemn right of way for the proposed Celilo boat railway, was resumed in the United States court yesterday forenoon, the jury having returned from an inspection of the property in question Wednesday evening.

Mr. Seufert was placed on the stand and was examined as to the value of the land, and everything proceeded smoothly until his attorney, Judge Bennett, asked what the land was valuable for.

Mr. Seufert replied: "For fisheries and the terminals of railroad or rights of way of railroads."

Judge Bellinger here interfered and said he should not allow such a question, so revolting to his sense of justice. It was fair for the jury to consider what damage the fishing interests of the defendant might sustain from the appropriation of his land, but it was not right that a public necessity should be made the basis for an appraisal of otherwise almost valueless lands. That any enhancement in value the land may receive on account of the government desiring a right of way for a boat railway through it should be brought into the suit could not be allowed, and he should so instruct the jury.

Judge Bennett said the supreme court had ruled on cases bearing on this point, and he was ready to present authorities.

Judge Bellinger remarked that he had examined authorities on the question, and that he should not allow the question. Council might take an exception if he wished. The exception was taken and the examination proceeded.

Later, when a witness was on the stand explaining the damages it would be to defendant's fishing privileges, if he had to haul his fish in wagons or on a tramway across the boat railway to the O. R. & N. road. United States Attorney Murphy asked him how the fish were brought from several different wheels to the fish house. He replied, "In wagons." Mr. Murphy then asked if the fish would be any more injured if they were hauled 200 feet or so further to the O. R. & N. line. The witness seemed inclined to avoid a direct answer, and began to talk about various roads.

The court asked him, rather sharply, if he could not answer the question, and told him he did not have to consider the question of roads, as it was to be supposed that the road was there if the fish were hauled. The witness then admitted that the fish would not be materially injured by the additional haul.

The argument in the case will be made this forenoon, and it is supposed that the case will go to the jury about noon.

Through trains on the O. R. & N will run via Umatilla, Walla Walla and Pendleton. Through sleepers, first and second class will run in connection with the Union Pacific, the same as heretofore. A through first-class sleeper from Portland to Spokane, connecting with the first-class sleeper to St. Paul and a through tourist sleeper from Portland to St. Paul, will be run in connection with the Great Northern railway.

E. E. LITTLE, Agent.

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