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TO-DAY'S TELEGRAMS.

THE CHICAGO CONVENTION.
Blaine to be the Man—Killing Time—Mahone Faction Defeated.
CHICAGO, June 21.—The new developments of the political convention are few and of minor importance. A test vote last night showed Sherman's strength to be 270 with Blaine's and Depew's factions no less enthusiastic. Postmaster General Dickenson, who is here, said: "The convention, after airing the favorite sons, will rush like a tide to Blaine, who, I believe, will be the nominee, but he will never be President." The convention consumed the greater part of yesterday killing time. The Wise faction of Virginia came out victorious, the Mahone party set being defeated by an overwhelming vote.

THE CHICAGO BULLETINS.
The Platform Favors Everything and Anything.
CHICAGO, June 21.—It is authoritatively stated that the platform committee agreed, except as to the anti-saloon plank, which will be discussed this morning. The platform declares that the fight is between protection and free trade and welcomes the issues made by the President. It favors revision of internal revenue, and abolishing tax on tobacco, excepting cigars, cigarettes and cheroots. It criticizes the civil service of the administration, denounces the election resolution and sympathizes with Irish Home Rulers. The platform will be favorably submitted to the convention. Balloting for President will probably not be reached before tomorrow.

The convention was called to order at 10:14 a. m. The roll was called to name the members of the national committee.
10:30 a. m.—Warner, of Missouri, announces that the resolution committee will be ready in ten minutes.
10:40 a. m.—McKinley, of Ohio, takes the platform to read report and resolutions of the committee. Great applause.
10:40 a. m.—The platform sends greeting to Brazil on emancipation of slaves, and to Home Rule party in Ireland. Each sentiment was applauded.
10:48 a. m.—We are uncompromisingly in favor of the American system of protection. Greeted with prolonged applause. All delegates on their feet.
10:50 a. m.—The platform demands a reduction of letter postage to one cent; condemns the administration for attempting to demonetize silver; for surrendering fishing privileges, and for a spirit hostile to pension legislation.

11 a. m.—On motion of Marine, of Maryland, the platform was adopted by a rising vote.
11:10 a. m.—The roll is being called for nominations.
11:20 a. m.—Warner, of Connecticut, presented Hawley's name without a speech.
11:18 a. m.—Haymond, of California, takes the stand and says that California asks to be passed.
11:21 a. m.—Leonard Swett, of Illinois, takes the platform and nominates Gresham.
11:30 a. m.—Lynch, of Mississippi, takes the platform and nominates Gresham's nomination.
11:45 a. m.—Davis, of Minnesota, takes the platform to second Gresham's nomination.
12:27 p. m.—The seconding of Gresham's nomination is concluded. Ex-Gov. Porter takes the platform and nominates Harrison.

12:28 p. m.—The mention of Harrison's name is greeted with applause and prolonged cheering. Indiana men are on their feet waving fans.
12:30 p. m.—Porter is interrupted with cries of Gresham, mingled with hisses. At the conclusion of Porter's speech the Indiana delegation arose and cheered.
12:40 p. m.—Convention adjourned to 3 o'clock.
3:07 p. m.—Convention called to order.
3:26 p. m.—Teal, of Texas, takes the platform and seconds Harrison's nomination.
3:33 p. m.—Applause from Texas and waving of banners from Indiana greets Rector. Gallinger, of New Hampshire, takes the platform and seconds Harrison's nomination.
3:43 p. m.—Roll call proceeds. Iowa called. Cheering.
3:46 p. m.—Hepburn, of Iowa, nominating Allison.
3:50 p. m.—Mention of Allison's name greeted with cheers from the galleries and floor. Iowa delegates are standing.
4 p. m.—Hepburn still speaking and not much enthusiasm.
4:08 p. m.—Hepburn says Allison would not be found returning rebel flags. Continued cheers and cries for Foraker.
4:11 p. m.—Iowa, Missouri and Massachusetts cheer Allison at the conclusion of Hepburn's speech. Bostwick, of Rhode Island, takes the platform and seconds the nomination.
4:21 p. m.—Prolonged cheering led by Iowa and joined by Maryland and the territories.
4:22 p. m.—Roll call proceeding. Michigan reached. Cheering. Frazer, of Michigan, again takes the platform and nominates Alger.
4:30 p. m.—Prolonged and renewed cheers at mention of Alger's name, and cries of "he's all right."
4:33 p. m.—Frazer's speech was greeted with great enthusiasm on the floor and in the galleries.
4:44 p. m.—Mention of Logan's name created great applause.
4:46 p. m.—Frazer quoted Mr. Logan in conclusion. Great and continued applause.

4:47 p. m.—Noyes, of Massachusetts, seconded Alger's nomination.
5 p. m.—Eagen, of Nebraska, takes the platform and seconded Alger's nomination.
The crowd at intervals takes up the cry of "He's all right." Great laughter.
5:11 p. m.—Eggers of Arizona seconds Alger's nomination.
5:12 p. m.—Eggers says he desires to say only a word. Great and continued applause.
5:17 p. m.—Roll call proceeds. New York reached. Great applause.
5:18 p. m.—Hiscock takes the platform to nominate Depew.

A MOTHER'S FEARFUL CRIME.
She Kills Her Three Children and then Herself.
PITTSBURG, June 20.—This morning Mrs. Josephine Marck, of Allegheny City, administered strychnine to her three children, aged three, four and seven years, respectively, and then swallowed poison herself. The mother and two children are dead. The youngest has no prospect of recovery. The motive for the deed is supposed to have been that she was angry because her husband ordered his brother from the house, when he suspected him of criminal intercourse with his wife.

ARRESTED FOR RAPE.
A Mulatto Commits an Outrage on a Sixteen-Year-Old White Girl.
ALBANY, June 20.—Arthur Burton, a mulatto, was arrested at Brownsville today on a charge of rape, preferred by Miss Eliza Harrington. The young woman, aged about sixteen, says that the brute entered her bedroom, administered chloroform and outraged her, leaving her unconscious. Much indignation is expressed at Brownsville. Burton only escaped being lynched by the most strenuous exertions of the guards who were in charge of him.

Thieves Captured.
CENTRALIA, W. T., June 20.—Early Tuesday morning the store of W. T. Burkely was broken into and robbed of jewelry, clothing, shoes and cutlery, together with the contents of the cash drawer to the amount of \$500, at the present calculation. The thieves obtained entrance by taking out a light from the store window. The thieves were followed and caught at Navanum. Many of the stolen goods were recovered. The names given by the thieves are Fred Smith and Fred Ames. They are strangers in these parts.

A Shooting Scrape.
ELLENBURG, W. T., June 20.—Two men, named Pitman and Stonefield had a quarrel this afternoon on the farm of Doctor Olmstead, near this place, over a bucking colt. Pitman shot Stonefield in the stomach, seriously wounding him, though it is not thought fatal.
The Wheat Markets.
PORTLAND, June 21.—The Chicago market closed yesterday at 80 3/4 for June, 81 3/4 for July and 81 3/4 for August. The San Francisco market has a firmer tone. No. 1 shipping brings \$1.32 1/2 and options are higher. English markets exhibits also a much better tone.

Killed by Lightning.
PORTLAND, June 21.—On the Warm Spring reservation on Saturday a squaw was struck by lightning and instantly killed.

The Stump Speaker.
John P. Irish in the Alta California.
"The stump speaker, the persuader, who goes forth with the banner of his party in his hand and its principles in his mouth, is a hard-working patriot. Be good to him. He suffers much and is weary. Many a dull speech is due to the committee which receives and prepares for the speaker. We venture a few plain directions to those who 'meet the speaker.' If he is to speak in a hall, don't perch him on a high stage or platform. The platform, whether indoors or out, should not be more than knee high. It is better not covered, and especially not with oil cloth. Plain, rough pine boards are the best footing for an orator. Don't bring him in contact with the smoke of a kerosene lamp, that enemy of the vocal chords. Don't introduce him as a silver-tongued or golden-mouthed orator. It raises expectation that not many men can redeem, and they would rather not. Before he speaks don't tease him for a disclosure of his 'line of argument.' It is his line of battle, and if he give it away, he is sure to be dull. Don't ask him to drink liquor before he speaks, and don't give him any when he is through. He has a bottle in his satchel that is better than you can get. Don't pull your watch and yawn while he is talking. It rattles him. When he gets through let him go to bed. Don't crowd into his room and insist on being entertained. He needs rest. Let him have it. His throat and lungs are tired and he doesn't want to talk. Don't ask him 'how it's coming out.' He won't tell you the truth and you may bet on what he says and lose. Then you will hate him for what is your own fault. This advice applies to all stump speakers except protectionists. When they come, consider the remarks about the satchel and what immediately precedes the same withdrawn. With this amendment, try and live up to this counsel, and you will have brighter speakers and better speeches."

The Oregonian Washington letter of Tuesday says: In the House to-day there was passed the conference report on the Indian appropriation bill, which provides for a change of the place of sale of lands under the allotment law from the La Grande district land office to the Umatilla agency.

NEWS FROM THE GARDEN CITY.

A Grand Celebration—Too Much "Putting Up"—A Lull in Newspaper Warfare—Lots of Spley Notes.
WALLA WALLA, June 20, 1888.
Thinking a news letter from this city would be of interest to your readers, many of whom have interests here, I venture to write you, and if acceptable, will be pleased to furnish you such a letter twice each week.

Business men throughout the town are about to get a rest from the subscription gatherer. Everything here, it seems, is done by subscription. If you can't put your name down for \$50 you are solicited to put it down for fifty cents, on the principle that "every little helps." While in one of the leading business houses the other day, the celebration committee come in and waited up to the boss. After looking over the list of names and amounts subscribed, he remarked that he guessed he could give as much as Z—, who was in the same line of business as himself. This sounded liberal, but it is not, when we take into consideration that Z— only gave fifty cents instead of \$50, which the profits of his business on a Fourth of July hilarity would stand.

On the other hand, Walla Walla business men have cause to tighten up their purse strings for a while. They have been pretty thoroughly bled within the past six months. A subsidy was raised for G. W. Hunt, amounting to about \$40,000. Another subsidy of \$1,000 and ground for the distillery came forth, and this month \$1,200 was subscribed wherewith to celebrate the day of our nation's birth. The railroad and the celebration are an assured thing, but of the distillery project I can learn nothing except that Des Moines men were to be here on the 30th.

Surveyors and others, with citizens, have been looking over the vacant ground near the garrison, reservation at the foot of Main street, for a suitable depot and warehouse site for Hunt's Eureka Flat road, and I believe it has been decided to locate as above. Some were in favor of having it located on ground near the penitentiary, but it was thought too far from Main street.

The celebration on July Fourth will no doubt be a grand affair, and I predict that all who attend will have an enjoyable time. Another class of people have charge of the details of the celebration this year, to-wit: the fire department—mostly young men with novel ideas, and they are now hard at work perfecting a good programme.

The Pendleton Boy Band, as is always the case, will add material to the program, and with the Second Cavalry band will furnish enough music, it is estimated, for 10,000 people. The firemen are working up purses to be given to the winners of races. These purses will be awarded only to visiting firemen, as our own companies will not participate in the races, but will be open for side purses.

Our Boys' hose team left for Portland Tuesday, where they go to bring back some of the prizes offered by the Northwestern Firemen's Association. They are a swift crowd, and we feel confident that they will bring back the big silver trumpet.

Camp meetings in the surrounding groves took a great number of people away the past week.

People about the city are busy clearing their yards of the fallen trees and broken fences, caused by the heavy storm last week.

Workmen are preparing the large store room in the Johnson building for the new postoffice. The lock boxes and furniture will arrive in a few days, and by July 1st we expect to have a "much-felt want" supplied.

The Walla Walla Zouaves, an organization under command of Captain Conry, composed of 40 young lads, ranging in age from 10 to 17 years, can be seen every evening on the bridge, practicing the regimental step. They will be handsomely uniformed in buggy knee pantslets of red flannel, blue pea jackets and white caps, a la mode Turkey. The boys give much attention to their drill, and many "do say" that they discount the militia company. They will form one of the attractions in the celebration parade, headed by the Boy Band of Pendleton.

Perhaps you have noticed that the newspaper battle between Capt. P. B. Johnson, of the Union, and Col. Frank J. Parker, of the Statesman, has ceased. Cause, the colonel is away, and the captain holds the fort until the Indian fighter returns, not caring to bombard. L. Frank Boyd, the local editor, has charge of the Statesman's breastworks during the fighting colonel's absence. Friend Besserer, of the Journal, hates newspaper wars, but smiles when business men come into his office during war periods and say, "Have the Journal left at my house; I want the news; don't care if Parker is an English convict or Johnson a commissary thief."

I would suggest that you send a solicitor over here on the Fourth feeling confident you could materially increase your list of daily subscribers. Many who have seen a copy of your lively little daily express surprise that Walla Walla is behind in the line of a thorough daily newspaper. At fifteen cents a week you would get at least 100 subscribers here.

City election is drawing nigh and candidates are looming up serenely.
F. R. Frazer, chief of the Portland Oregonian's correspondents, has been in the city a few days and some of the boys took him into the country to show him strawberry beds, potato, watermelon, pumpkin and grape vines and corn and wheat fields. He will do us up in the great "I am."
John Watermelon Redington has sold

out his interest in the real estate business, and you need not be surprised to hear of him as editor and publisher of a live paper somewhere in these parts.
Much interest is taken in the proceedings of the Republican National Convention. The enterprising editor of the Union is enlightening the people. Gresham and Lincoln will be the ticket, you see. 1860.

READ THIS, REPUBLICANS.

Some Good, Strong Sense Uttered by Our Brethren in Nebraska.
From the Stockton Mail.
We gave an account the other day of the remarkable platform adopted by the Nebraska Republican convention. A verbatim account of the proceedings of the convention, however, that the scheme of campaign by which a protective plank was incorporated into the plan of salvation was not agreed upon without heavy opposition. After the committee on platform had presented its conclusions, calling for a continuance of the war tariff and denouncing Cleveland and the Mills bill, no less a person than ex-United States Senator Van Wyck asked leave to introduce certain resolutions for the convention. His request being granted he read and submitted the following as a substitute for the high-tariff plank included in the report of the committee:
Resolved, That high taxes, high tariff and high transportation rates are destroying the prosperity of producers.
Resolved, That the revenue whereby the expenses of the government are paid should be drawn from the wealth of the nation, whereas by our present system the thousands of millions collected for carrying on the war and for paying the national debt, the hundreds of millions now in the treasury and the millions gathered each day have much of it been forced from the pockets of labor. Years ago the money centers secured from Congress a repeal of the income tax, the tax on bank deposits, railroad receipts and others, while the tax on lumber, sugar and salt remain as before, while the tax on coarse fabrics is higher in proportion than that on silks, satins and diamonds.
Resolved, That more money taken from the pockets of the people than is sufficient to defray the expenses of the government is an injustice; that hoarding in the treasury cannot be justified in buying our bonds before due and giving 25 per cent. for the privilege of buying them, and is only a benefit to the bond-holders, as producers and laborers do not hold bonds.

The discussion which followed took a wide range and was deliberative throughout. On a final vote the substitute received the support of nearly a third of the convention. The main speeches were made by Van Wyck and Delegate Watson, a farmer from Otsego county.
"The free-trade cry," said Van Wyck, "will not mislead a single thinking man in the country that gives attention to existing conditions. We are collecting too much money, and that is all there is about it. If we should reduce taxes to the measure of our wants, free-trade or pauper wages would not follow as a consequence, and it is unmistakable dishonesty to go to the working classes on that issue. They are sure to find out the deception some day, and they will not be to blame if they desert us."

Watson spoke for the farmers, but he has a grasp of the financial situation which puts him away ahead of many so-called statesmen. We quote a portion of his speech:
You are denouncing the Mills bill as a free-trade measure, and yet if a Republican President should be induced into office next March he would fall in his duty to the country if in his inaugural he did not indicate a policy in consonance with the plan of the Mills bill. There are more farmers and farm laborers in the three States of Illinois, Iowa and Nebraska than there are working men and women in all the highly protected industries of the country. You tell us that there is a duty on wheat and corn, and on barley, oats, pork and beef. But what good does it do the farmer? Whom does it protect him against? The price of his crop is fixed at the threshing-machine by the amount of wheat raised in India and Russia, the lowest wage countries in the world. Yet you increase the cost of production by laying a tax on the clothing and farm implements of the American farmer. We would not care for the tax if the government needed it. The farmers of the Northwest are a loyal people. You know that. All that we have we will freely give to the nation whenever she needs it. The grievance that we complain of is that you take our money when you have no use for it. We of Nebraska burn coal for fuel, and pay 100 per cent. duty on blankets. Free trade would not follow if the duty were reduced on-half. There are more farmers in treeless Nebraska than there are persons engaged in the entire lumber industry. Why should we pay the lumber syndicates a premium of \$2 a thousand feet for lumber, which, with us, is a necessity?

We commend the thoughts of this Nebraska farmer to the gentlemen who are organizing Republican clubs on the high-tariff basis.
The Buffalo mine, eight miles from the Cracker creek mine, which sold recently for \$1,000,000, will be further developed. Much valuable ore has been taken out of late which will be shipped soon. The Buffalo mine is owned by the Pendletonians, who have a good property.

Wallowa Signal: T. J. Matlock, wife and daughter Lizzie, and Grandma Matlock, arrived in the valley Friday. They are visiting relatives and will stay about three weeks.