

## POPULISTS MEET IN NATIONAL CONVENTION

St. Louis, April 2.—The Populist national convention came to order this morning, and James Ferris, chairman of the national committee, made an address in which he made this declaration: "The people's party is not the only party with a membership thoroughly and entirely harmonious upon all great issues under discussion. It is the only party in which the most ardent opponents of its platform and great issues are not inside the party itself."

He attributed the late panic to a general distrust of well-known capitalists and spoke strongly in favor of government ownership as the only method of obtaining permanent control of the banks and the railroads, and said that the banks receive loans from the government at a nominal rate of interest, but that the men who do most to develop the nation cannot hire a dollar from the government.

Ferris closed with the prediction of the rise of a great party from the convention of today.

Jacob S. Coxey was named as temporary chairman and made an address covering the leading economical questions of the day, paying particular attention to the national currency.

**Bryan Men Lose.**  
Prior to the opening of the convention the Bryan men made an effort to secure an agreement to adjourn until after the Republican and Democratic conventions with no result other than to delay the proceedings.

**INDIANA IS SOLID FOR FAIRBANKS**  
Indianapolis, April 2.—The Indiana Republican state convention today adopted a platform, elected four delegates at large and two electors at large, elected thirty Indiana delegates to the national convention to vote and work persistently for the nomination of C. W. Fairbanks for the presidency, and nominated a state ticket.

The platform, in addition to endorsing Fairbanks, endorses President Roosevelt's administration and is opposed to corporations contributing to campaign funds; favors economy in public expenditures, explicitly mentioning the army and navy; favors modification of the financial system without mentioning any particular measure; urges a progressive program of labor legislation; pledges the complete reduction of capitalistic combinations in the interest of trade, commerce and the general welfare of the people, and urges a revision of the tariff by a special session of congress, to be called early in November, with the recommendation that congress take proper steps to secure data by experts; the abolishment of child labor is demanded and improvement of waterways and the establishment of a bureau of mines and mining is urged.

Vice President Fairbanks prepared the tariff plank.

**Watson for Governor.**  
James E. Watson was nominated for governor on the fifth ballot. Watson is the representative in congress from the sixth Indiana district.

**Chicago Wheat Market.**  
Chicago, April 2.—May, 93 1-4; July, 88 7-8; September, 86 3-4.

## VANDERBILT SUIT DOES NOT SURPRISE THEIR SOCIETY SET

New York, April 2.—There is little surprise expressed in any quarter today by the announcement that formal action in a suit for absolute divorce had been taken by Mrs. Elsie French Vanderbilt against Alfred G. Vanderbilt. It has been known for years by members of their social set that there was a lack of mutual good feeling between the young people.

Alfred Vanderbilt inherited a fortune of \$60,000,000 from his father. His older brother, Cornelius, had become estranged from his father through his marriage to Mrs. Grace Wilson.

The Alfred Vanderbilts have one son, who is with his mother.

The postal receipts at the Salem postoffice for the past year have reached the \$42,000 mark, or \$2000 more than was necessary to place Salem in the first-class list of the post-office department.

## OREGON ELECTRIC RAILWAY WILL BUILD TO EUGENE AS RAPIDLY AS ARRANGEMENTS CAN BE MADE

The following letter, concerning the plans of the Oregon Electric Railway Company, now operating between Portland and Salem, will interest the people of Eugene and the entire upper Willamette valley. It comes from Guy H. Talbot, vice president and general manager, and states authoritatively that Eugene is to be the terminal of this splendid railway system, which, with its numerous feeders, will in a few years traverse the entire Willamette valley. This letter indicates that by the end of the year the line will have been completed to Albany, and that next year cars will be running into Eugene, although there is a possibility that work may be pushed on toward Eugene at an even earlier date. Mr. Talbot is to be commended for the business like letter he writes, as well as for the open and above-board policy of taking the public into confidence and announcing fully and freely the plans and intentions of the company. No other course could more thoroughly, in turn, win the confidence of the public. Mr. Talbot's letter is as follows:

Portland, Or., April 1, 1908.

Mr. Charles Fisher  
Publisher Guard, Eugene, Or.

My Dear Sir:—I am in receipt of your letter of March 31st inquiring as to our plans to build into the Upper Willamette valley and to Eugene. Our articles of incorporation cover the territory to Eugene and we are making plans to carry out the extension to your city as rapidly as possible. We have all material on hand and are now formulating our plans to commence at once our Hillsboro extension from Garden Home and will have the line in operation in the fall. Our next work will commence at Salem south to Albany, and later on to Eugene. At just what time we will get there I cannot say, as it will be our policy to build link by link, and not undertake to try to cover too much territory at once; in other words, as soon as the line is ready for operation into Albany we will at once proceed with the Eugene extension. However, if money matters continue to improve we undoubtedly will push our line into Eugene as early as possible. I can say this much—that we are going to Eugene with our rails and will prosecute the work as fast as possible. It is not our policy to go into the field and cover a large amount of territory without being ready to back it up immediately with turning the dirt. When we are ready to build promptly our Eugene line we will then bring the matter up before the Eugene people and then only ask for a franchise or terminals needed for the actual operation of the property, and from all indications I am sure that the people of Eugene will give us a pleasant reception. To sum the matter up, we do not want to build paper railroads.

There have been a great many articles published in the papers throughout the valley that our company was connected with the so-called Welch enterprises. I wish to advise you that we are not in any way connected with them and what action we take through this territory will be entirely independent of theirs. Before the summer is over we should know positively at what time we should reach Eugene, and I assure you that I will be very glad, when a definite time is determined by our syndicate, to advise you, as we have nothing to cover up in any of our enterprises.

I have planned a trip to Eugene for some time past, but have been unable to get away, but hope to get to your city some time the early part of this month, as I desire to look over the situation in and about the city.

Very truly yours,

GUY TALBOT.

## SPOKANE MAN ACCUSED OF DIAMOND THEFT

St. Paul, April 2.—Guy H. Morris, son of a business man of Austin, was arrested there shortly before his intended marriage to a telephone operator of Austin. An officer from Spokane took him into custody charged with stealing \$1500 in diamonds from Jonnie Smith, who alleges he enticed her into a room in a hotel, choked and chloroformed her and stole her diamonds. The local police say he recently purchased a lively stable here and pawned \$500 worth of jewelry.

He will return to Spokane without a requisition.

## PRAIRIE FIRE SWEEPS VAST AREA

Paxton, Neb., April 2.—A prairie fire has been raging in the Sand Hills for two days. James Kane is known to have been burned to death, many houses destroyed, hundreds of head of cattle lost, and thousands of acres of prairie burned over. A fifty mile gale carried the embers ten



E. R. THOMAS.

New York banker and turf plunger who has recently been indicted in an insurance case.

times. The sky was so black from the smoke that the ranchmen were unable to locate the fire until the blaze was upon the main grave fears are entertained for the safety of a number of ranchers.

## HILL'S NOMINATION IS CONFIRMED

Washington, April 2.—The senate today confirmed the nomination of David Jayne Hill to be ambassador to Germany.

subject to penalties, and the "trust" can be dissolved in the United States court.

Dr. W. R. Jones, one of the best-known physicians in Jackson county, died at Medford Sunday evening, after an illness of five days. He was born in Marion county, Iowa, January 28, 1856.

## STRICT IMMIGRATION RULES FOR DOMINION

Bellingham, April 2.—A special dispatch to the Herald from Vancouver, B. C., says that acting under orders from the department of the interior, Dr. Muro, dominion immigration officer here, and J. B. Rankin will leave today to install immigration stations at fourteen different points on the international boundary line between the Pacific coast and the Great Lakes. The purpose of this move is to keep out undesirable by right inspection under the new order in the council. Physically unfit immigrants will not be allowed to enter and Japanese will be barred.

If the labor market of the dominion is overcrowded at any time Europeans will not be allowed to enter unless coming direct from their native land.

## INJURED MAN'S LEG AMPUTATED WITH POCKET KNIFE

St. Louis, April 2.—Five men were injured, three seriously, in a rear-end collision between a freight and passenger train on the Burlington near Spanish Lake today. J. A. McKittrick, a stockman of Brookfield, Mo., was pinned under the wreckage and his left leg nearly crushed off at the knee. Scalding steam from a passenger locomotive enveloped him, and to save McKittrick's life Rev. R. C. Allen, of Grove City, Pa., cut off his leg with a pocket-knife.

## SPEAKER CANNON STARTS ATTACK ON PAPER TRUST

Washington, April 2.—Speaker Cannon today introduced resolutions directing the attorney-general and secretary of commerce and labor to inform the house what steps had been taken by those departments to investigate the action of the International Paper Company of New York and other corporations supposed to be engaged in an effort to create a monopoly in print paper.

In his statement Cannon said if the claims of the publishers were correct, the manufacturers of paper are

## FLOOD CONDITIONS IN WEST VIRGINIA

Huntington, W. Va., April 2.—A continual downpour of rain for three days throughout West Virginia has caused flood conditions and great damage. Hundreds of people have been driven from their homes and by the collapse of a suspension bridge at Rock, W. Va., three men lost their lives.

Salem has completed its \$30,000 subscription for Willamette, insuring an endowment of \$100,000.

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To Make Friday the Best Business Day of the Week we will place on sale some lines of Dry Goods from our enormous stock at greatly reduced prices for the one day. Some goods will be sold for one half the usual price. They will supply your everyday wants at a great saving in price.

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Odd lot, broken line of W. B. Corsets, worth regularly from \$1.00 to \$1.50 One day, bargain, Friday each ..... 25c

**Chamois Finished Gloves**  
12 Button Gloves, cham'o's finished Lisle Gloves, new spring shades Bargain Friday the pair ..... 69c

**Chiffon Panama**  
10 pieces checked Chiffon Panama, new spring shades regular price 25c, bargain Friday, the yard ..... 14c

**Wool Dress Goods Remnants**  
Here is a golden opportunity. Entire lot of wool remnants at just ONE-HALF the former price. These represent the "flower" of the great stock. They are the last ends of our best selling goods. They are your bargains Friday for ..... 1/2 Price

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