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NEW YORK DEMOCRATS IN SESSION

Charles F. Murphy of Tammany Hall Dominates Convention But States That He Has No Candidate to Put Forward—Shepard of Brooklyn is Leading Candidate.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 29.—Although the democratic state convention opened at noon today, it is the general opinion here that the state will be made up tonight. Leader Charles F. Murphy of Tammany Hall, who dominates the convention, declared this afternoon that he has no candidate to put forward. The old slogan of "Harmon, Hearst and Harmony" will be revised for the present occasion. The Harmon portion will not be touched upon, while the Hearst end of the triad is expected to be decidedly lacking. The harmony is promised, but a considerable fight is predicted over the selection of a gubernatorial candidate to "buck the Stimson-Roosevelt line." Shepard for Governor. Edwin M. Shepard of Brooklyn apparently is the leading candidate for governor, but the fact that he formerly was a corporation attorney is being urged against him. The necessity of selecting a strong man to fight Stimson is realized by the leaders and Roosevelt's assumption of the republican party leadership in the state has impressed the democrats. The chief features of the party platform, it is expected, will be an attack on republican extravagance, and an assault upon the Payne tariff law. The direct primary plank possibly will be ignored by the delegates. Murphy Man. Whoever may be chosen will be a Murphy man, as the Tammany chief, through his alliance with the Kings county delegation, controls a majority of the delegates. The leaders expect a big fight with Roosevelt opposing them, and the strongest man they can secure will be put up to run against Stimson.

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CALL FOR BIDS ON WATER SYSTEM

Jacksonville Council Asks Tenders for Construction of \$30,000 System Which Will Furnish Splendid Water to City.

In the meeting of the council of Jacksonville last night it was voted that bids for the contract to build the city's water system should be opened on the 10th of October. Last spring the city voted \$30,000 worth of bonds to be used for the construction of a water system for the city. It is thought by some of the councilmen that the sum voted will be insufficient to complete the proposed water. The plan is to bring the water in to the town from two miles up Jackson creek.

OLD BILL LANG AGAIN COMES INTO LIMELIGHT

CHICAGO, Sept. 2.—Although it is many a year since Chicago fans saw big Bill Lang evorting in the center garden, they have not forgotten the former star, and today are preparing a reception for him when he comes from San Francisco to see the world's series contests. The old Chicago player will be given a dinner at which many of his former teammates and their admirers will be present. Arrangements are being made to present Lang with an automobile on October 8.

ROOSEVELT BAND WAGON CROWDED; POLITICIANS CONFIDENT OF VICTORY

Complete Reorganization of Party in Empire State is Predicted—Old Leaders Are to Be Dropped and Party Management Given to New Men—Teddy's Personality is Expected to Carry G. O. P. to Victory at Polls—Will Stump Every State and Endeavor by Personal Appeal to Voters to Carry His Point.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 29.—The Roosevelt band wagon is crowded. Politicians who are still in Saratoga are clamoring aboard today and are ready to get in line for the ticket selected by the convention at its closing session. Although the delegates who are still here are exhausted by the labor of the convention and the strain and excitement of the past two days, Colonel Roosevelt, with his untiring energy has already begun plans for the campaign. A complete reorganization of the party in the state is predicted. The old leaders will be dropped from places of responsibility and the party management put into new hands. The politicians are confident of victory at the coming election. Gaynor's announced withdrawal from the democratic nomination of the governorship is one fact that is expected to help. Roosevelt's own personality, however, is the chief cause of the confidence. It is expected that he will be able to exert a powerful influence in the state and that the whirlwind plan he is planning and in which he will visit every county in the state will be a large factor in the result. Roosevelt's followers believe the colonel was wise in his fight. From a political standpoint, if the republicans win in November, he will get the credit for the victory, it is predicted. If they lose, the defeat will be blamed on a "democratic year." It is asserted today by those close to the Roosevelt leaders that Herbert Parsons is the colonel's choice and will be chosen state chairman to succeed Timothy L. Woodruff. Expressions of the leaders of the republican party in New York on the results of the Saratoga convention: Colonel Theodore Roosevelt: "We have a sound, progressive platform, have nominated a good ticket, and I think we will win." Governor Hughes: "I am greatly pleased with the action of the convention and with the platform." William Barnes, Jr.: "The ticket has been nominated and I am for the ticket. That is party government. I shall support the nominees of the convention, and I hope for the best. I expect that harmony will prevail in the party." James Wadsworth: "I shall not be a candidate for re-election as speaker of the lower house of the next legislature. I shall not be a candidate for any office. I shall continue to take an active interest in the welfare of the party." Lloyd C. Griscom: "There will be complete harmony in the campaign. We will have the united support of every element of the republican party at the polls."

HEARST SAYS THAT GAYNOR'S REFUSAL IS NOT SINCERE

PARIS, Sept. 29.—William R. Hearst, in an interview given the United Press today, asserted that he knew positively that Charles W. Murphy, leader of Tammany Hall, had arranged to nominate William J. Gaynor for governor of New York at the democratic state convention, which meets in Rochester today, and that Mayor Gaynor would accept the nomination. "I did not feel sure that Mayor Gaynor would accept the nomination," said Hearst, "until he said he would not accept. I know positively now that Gaynor has a peculiar combination, which is simple when you know it. You need only to bank upon his doing that which he says he positively will not do." Hearst said that Gaynor had tried to get the support of the Independence league, and continued: "We gave Gaynor honest associates and he really ought to be grateful. His associates made an honest administration, but Gaynor gets the credit. Gaynor, however, did not seem to want honest associates; he declared that he would not accept office unless they were elected. A better now and thoroughly distrust him. He is a shrewd political trickster. "I would support Gaynor now if I believed in him, but I see through his political maneuvers and feel it would be a fraud if I pretended not to see it. I should feel that I had betrayed my friends if I led them to support a man whom I knew to be a trickster and trading politician."

ENDORSE FEDERAL CONTROL WATER

Committee Takes Action—Fight Over Matter is Expected on Floor of Irrigation Congress—John Barret Tells of Irrigation in Republics to the Southward.

PUEBLO, Col., Sept. 29.—The federal control of interstate waters was overwhelmingly endorsed today by the committee on resolutions of the National Irrigation Congress, in session here. A minority of the committee will present a report favoring state control, and although a fight is predicted on the floor of the congress over the question, it is probable that federal control will be endorsed by a great majority of the members. The morning session was opened by John Barrett, director of the Bureau of American Republics, in an address on "Irrigation and Conservation in Our Sister Republics." Representatives of Australia, Germany and Russia followed Barrett. This afternoon Gifford Pinchot and Francis J. Heney were among those scheduled to address the delegates. The election of officers of the congress will take place tomorrow. The Colorado delegation, which has led the fight for state conservation, charges that the government reclamation and forest services "packed" the congress to prevent Colorado from presenting the state's rights policy. They assert that only one Colorado representative was allowed on the program for today and tomorrow.

125 BOXES PEARS FOR NOTABLES

Senator Bourne Follows Plan of Former Years and Will Distribute Rogue River Comice Among Senators and Diplomatic Corps in Washington.

Following the course he has pursued for the past three years, Jonathan Bourne, Jr., senator from Oregon, has again ordered Comice pears from the Rogue River valley for distribution among the senators and diplomatic corps in Washington, D. C. Senator Bourne has doubled his order this year, requesting C. E. Whistler, manager of the Bear Creek orchards, to forward him 125 boxes of his choicest fruit, where as last year he ordered but 60 boxes. The senator has followed this course for some time and has greatly advertised the valley by so distributing the fruit, which holds all records for prices paid for fancy pears.

PUBLIC LIBRARY MAKING GROWTH

School Children Are Being Furnished Many Books Along the Line of their Study—Many Working Men Are Sunday Patrons.

The library, from a small beginning, has developed into one of Medford's important educational institutions. Not only have the school children become constant patrons and are furnished books along the line of their studies, but the general public are besieging our limited quarters until it has become evident that a suitable reading room must be furnished. There are many working men in the town and vicinity who are constant Sunday patrons to the reading room. This demand should be met both from an education and moral standpoint. The library committee is giving an entertainment tomorrow evening for the purpose of fitting up just such rooms. The entertainment in itself is well worth the admission asked and when we take into account the purpose for which this money is to be spent we feel that every citizen should purchase a ticket to help this good cause along.

BOTH PARTIES NAME CALKINS

With Full Returns in, Frank M. Calkins is Given Democratic Nomination for Judge as Well as That of Republicans at Primaries.

Frank M. Calkins, edge of the circuit court, has a sufficiency of nominations this year for circuit judge. He was named by both the democrats and republicans. Although Harry D. Norton of Grants Pass was supposed to have been named by the democrats, complete returns give Mr. Calkins a lead of two votes over Mr. Norton. No campaign was made by Mr. Norton and it is not believed that he will run on an independent ticket, although he has until October 15 in which to decide on a course of action.

"HIGH FINANCE" CHARGED IN COMPLAINTS FILED IN SUIT FOR FORECLOSURE

James H. McNicholas Said to Have Sold Several Hundred Thousand Dollars' Worth of Mining Stock and Never Turned Proceeds Over to Company—Browning Sues to Foreclose on Property of the Old Channel Mining Company, Located in the Galice Creek Mining District.

If the allegations set forth in two complaints on file in the circuit court are proven, another deal in high finance rivaling that of the Ament case has been unearthed in connection with a mining deal in southern Oregon. Two cases are pending, one for an accounting against James H. McNicholas, who is said to have obtained several hundred thousand dollars and never turned it over to the company, and the other against McNicholas and his company for foreclosure on an \$85,000 mortgage. According to the statements set forth in the two complaints it seems that last year the Old Channel Mining company, owned and controlled by Thomas W. Browning, was sold to James H. McNicholas for \$110,000. Of this amount \$25,000 in cash was paid and notes given for the balance. As soon as McNicholas secured the contract giving him provisional ownership of the property, which is in the Galice district in Josephine county, he organized the Old Channel Hydraulic Mines company under the laws of Arizona, capitalized at \$5,000,000. The first suit against Mr. McNicholas was filed in August by stockholders in his company. They demanded an accounting, saying that he had sold several hundred thousand dollars' worth of stock, the exact amount being unknown to them, and that he had not turned any of it over to the company. This suit is still pending, but the court appointed a temporary receiver to take charge of affairs. Now Mr. Browning has brought suit against the company to foreclose the mortgage for \$85,000 given by McNicholas on the property. As the new receiver, L. C. Hudson, was contemplating the removal of a sawmill on the property and mining equipment, Mr. Browning, through his attorney, A. E. Reames, has secured a temporary restraining order until the foreclosure suit can be heard.

LARGEST CURB BROKERAGE HOUSE RAIDED BY POLICE

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—The brokerage firm of B. H. Sheffels company, one of the largest curb brokerage houses in the country, was raided by the police this afternoon. Sheffels and a half dozen of his clerks were arrested. It was reported that postoffice authorities inspired the raid. George A. Rice, a leading spirit in the operations of the Sheffels company, was also arrested. All the prisoners were charged with violation of the bucket shop laws. The curb market learned this morning that there would be "something doing" and excitement prevailed, which culminated in the falling of prices of the securities dealt in by the Sheffels company. While the crowd was raging about the brokerage offices, a police patrol dashed up. The police seized the brokers and a postoffice inspector took charge of the company's books and papers. Federal Attorney Wise said that seven persons were arrested at the offices and the police are seeking two other men. It was learned that the department of justice had ordered the raids and that the alleged evidence had been secured to support charges of illegal dealings in mining stocks. The curb market became wilder after the seizure and prices tobogganed. The complaints alleged that prior to June, 1910, the firm conspired to defraud by use of the U. S. mails and telegraph wires, Will A. Slaek and others.

BULLETS FOR GERMAN STRIKERS

Newspapers Call on Authorities to Use the "Blood and Iron" Treatment for Purpose of Preventing Further Outbreaks by the Strikers—Seven Hundred Injured in Riot.

BERLIN, Sept. 2.—The newspapers of Berlin, particularly those of the Maobit section, which has been racked with strikes and riots today, called upon the authorities to use the "blood and iron" treatment for the purpose of preventing further outbreaks. The rioting last night was the worst in many years and it is feared that the disorders may surpass the socialist disturbances of southern Germany, in which many persons were killed. The police estimated today that 700 persons were injured. Many of the wounded are in hospitals here in a precarious condition. The injured include police, strikers and sympathizers. Four American newspaper correspondents received slight cuts and severe bruises from sabres in the hands of the mounted police. Echoing Police Commissioner Jagow's order to suppress the disturbances without mercy, one newspaper says: "The sabres having proved inadequate, let us have the bullet." It is believed that this paper takes its cue from the commissioner, who is quoted as saying that the police would shoot to kill if rioting is resumed tonight.

CONTROL BY STATES IS FAVORED

Committee on Resolutions of American Mining Congress Declares in Favor of State Control of Natural Resources and Supervision of Conservation.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 29.—The committee on resolutions of the American Mining congress returned a report today declaring in favor of state control of natural resources and state supervision of conservation. The report was presented just before the congress adjourned for the noon recess and was laid on the table for later discussion. It is believed that the issue of federal or state control will be fought out on the floor of the convention, and it may be several days before final action upon the subject is taken. According to members of the committee, it is not probable that a minority report will be submitted. The report declares approval of conservation as an institution, but, in a following paragraph, condemns "any system of conservation which would make mineowners and other citizens concerned in the development of resources pay tribute to the national government." Regarding state control and supervision of conservation, the report recommends and advocates "in the very largest measure" any plan providing state control compatible with the present federal statutes. Regarding the use of water on public lands, the report recommended that laws be enacted definitely defining the rights of citizens to utilize streams for power purposes and providing for concurrent control of power sites, so long as the uses were beneficial. It recommended that water power sites upon the public domain be controlled by the states in which they lie.

SOIL EXPERT TO VISIT OREGON

Has Been Commissioned by Hill Interests to Tour Interior Oregon and Speak to Residents of That Section on Dry Farming.

PORTLAND, Or., Sept. 29.—Dry farming in Oregon will receive a boost from the visit next month of Prof. Thomas Ehaw, soil expert of Montana and North Dakota, who has been commissioned by the Hill interests to tour interior Oregon and speak to people of that region at the principal towns. The tour will begin at Ontario about October 8. Professor Shaw is an expert in agricultural matters and he says the conservation of moisture in the soil is the greatest of all conservation problems, and that its solution will mean the agricultural salvation of the country. An instance of the value of dry farming methods is shown in Montana and Dakota this season, where vast areas yielded from one-half to two-thirds of a crop with only an average rainfall of five inches. The normal rainfall is about the same as in many parts of interior Oregon, 15 inches, and, without the dry farming methods, the semi-arid regions of Montana and North Dakota would have recorded a complete failure of crops.

OLIVE OIL BURNS

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Sept. 29.—The plant of the American Olive Oil company, one of the largest olive canneries in the world, was burned to the ground by a fire of unknown origin shortly after midnight. The loss is estimated at \$450,000.