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TAFT'S STEAM ROLLER IS RUNNING OVER ROOSEVELT CONTESTANTS

ALABAMA IS GIVEN TAFT BY BIG MAJORITY

President Wins First Blood Over Contested Delegations — Record Vote Demanded and Taken Many Roosevelt Men Voting.

McHarg and Borah Represent the Colonel and Protest Loudly Against Rules Adopted.

COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 7.—First blood in the fight over contested delegations which opened here today before the Republican national committee was won by President Taft, the committee, by an overwhelming vote, seating the Taft delegates at large from Alabama, the first of numerous contests to be decided.

The demand voiced for a record vote on the question by Senator Borah of Idaho and other Roosevelt men was promptly granted by the Taft majority in the Alabama case. Then came a surprise, many of the Roosevelt men voting to throw out the contests brought by their own followers. The vote stood 53 ayes to no noes.

Alabama First State

The committee started its work today with Victor Rosewater of Nebraska acting as chairman. The first contest to come up was that from Alabama. Each side was allowed 30 minutes to present arguments regarding the delegates at large and 15 minutes in the case of district delegates. General Charles large and 15 minutees in th case of spoke for President Taft. Ormsby McHarg represented Colonel Roosevelt. McHarg charged that the negro vote in Alabama was kept from the polls by threats of violence, insisting that the Taft people in this way secured control of the districts and the state convention. The Taft people argued that the committee could not go back of the returns. Delegates instructed for Senator LaFollette will not aid Colonel Roosevelt but will vote for LaFollette to the end.

Roosevelt Men Mad

The Roosevelt managers are mad clear through, charging that the committee hopes to flatten the colonel's boom by deciding every contest against him. If this prediction is borne out, the Roosevelt leaders will carry the fight to the floor of the convention in an effort to get the committee on credentials to reverse the rulings of the national committee. Senator Joseph M. Dixon, Roosevelt's campaign manager, charges the committee with resorting to "gag rule."

After demanding that the committeemen go on record in every case, Senator Borah began a vitriolic speech. While he was still speaking some one moved to table his amendment, and when Chairman Rosewater put the motion over Borah's protest it was declared carried.

Borah Creates Scene

Fourteen times Borah shouted "Mr. Chairman!" but each time he was ignored by Rosewater. Senator Borah, however, refused to surrender the floor. He continued talking and finally was permitted, by unanimous consent, to continue his remarks. He said that he knew the steam roller had been used, and demanded record votes.

The incident but served to emphasize the fact that President Taft controls the committee. It is believed to mean that only Taft contestants will be seated and also indicates that Roosevelt will come to Chicago and personally take charge of his fight.

HARDING TO PLACE TAFT IN NOMINATION

MARION, Ohio, June 7.—Warren Harding, delegate at large from Ohio, will place President Taft in nomination before the republican national convention in Chicago by personal request of the president. Harding received a letter from President Taft today asking him to make the nominating speech and at once wired his acceptance.

Gaynor Figures in the Betting

Mayor Wm. J. Gaynor of New York.

ROOSEVELT AND BRYAN FAVORED IN THE BETTING

NEW YORK, June 7.—Theodore Roosevelt will be the Republican presidential nominee and William J. Bryan will head the Democratic ticket in the opinion of the sporting fraternity here who have made these two leaders favorites in the betting. The following odds are quoted today by members of thee Metropolitan Turf association that these combinations will be named as presidential candidates:

Roosevelt and Bryan 1 to 4; Roosevelt and Clark 1 to 6; Roosevelt and Wilson 1 to 6; Roosevelt and Harmon 1 to 10; Roosevelt and Underwood 1 to 20; Roosevelt and Gaynor 1 to 10; Taft and Bryan 1 to 6; Taft and Wilson 1 to 8; Taft and Clark 1 to 8; Taft and Gaynor 1 to 15; Taft and Underwood 1 to 25; Hughes and Bryan 1 to 8; Hughes and Clark 1 to 12; Hughes and Wilson 1 to 12; Hughes and Harmon 1 to 20; Hughes and Underwood1 to 30; Roosevelt and the field 1 to 25; Taft and the field 1 to 30; Hughes and the field 1 to 50.

GOMEZ CALLS CUBANS TO ARMS

HAVANA, June 7.—Following reports of violence by the negro rebels in the suburbs of Havana, President Gomez today called every able-bodied man in the island to arms to protect property and prevent outrages, in order to avoid the necessity for American intervention in Cuba.

Scattered fighting between small bands of negroes and whites is reported. Reports reached here today of an attempt by rebels to destroy the Toledo sugar mill, owned by Spaniards.

NEW YORK WOMEN RIOT OVER MEAT

NEW YORK, June 7.—The campaign against the high prices of staple food was inaugurated in Brooklyn today when 500 women directed their energies against meat shops. When the housewives were busy shattering plateglass windows in one shop, several hundred others stood by and screamed their approval.

In other shops parcels of meat were torn from the hands of butchers and trampled upon by the militant women. Dealers were ordered to refrain from selling meats until the prices reduced and the owners of eight shops obeyed.

LUMBER RATES FROM WILLAMETTE ORDERED REDUCED

WASHINGTON, June 7.—The commerce court today upheld the interstate commerce commission in making rates on lumber from the Willamette valley, Oregon, to San Francisco.

The Southern Pacific railway had appealed from the commission's decision on the ground that the commission had exceded its power in making rates. The commerce court decided today that the commission had not acted arbitrarily. Judge Archbald wrote the opinion in the case.

MUCH INTEREST IN SUNDAY GAME

The defeat of Ashland last Sunday and near defeat of the Grants Pass ball cam recently, by the Central Point club, has greatly aroused the enthusiasm of the people of that village, and it is stated that everybody but the town marshal and his dog will be up to witness the game between Central Point and Medford next Sunday.

The arrival of several good ball players has enabled the boys of our neighborhood to organize a team that promises to more than hold its own with Ashland, Grants Pass and Medford.

In the anticipation of a hard game Sunday, Ike Butler, former member of the Portland Pacific Coast league club, and late of the Tacoma Tigers, will be on the slab for Medford right from the start. Game called 2:45 p. m.

FRANKLIN PAID $500 A WEEK BY DARROW

LOS ANGELES, Cal., June 7.—When court opened today in the trial of Attorney Clarence Darrow for alleged jury-bribing in the McNamara case, Juror F. E. Golding asked permission to question Detective Bert H. Franklin, the state's star witness. He asked Franklin several pertinent questions in regard the amounts of money received from the McNamara defense fund as to how the money was handled.

Golding questioned the witness as to the weekly payments he received and developed the fact that Franklin had received an average of $500 or more a week during the life of the McNamara case, or about $5,000 in all.

STRIKE TIES UP ALL BOSTON'S TRACTION LINES

All Traffic on Subway, Surface and Elevated Systems Halted When Elevated Employes Union Decides to Go Out at Once.

Company Announces That It Will Import 1500 Men to Take Strikers' Places—Many Riots in Progress. President Wins First Blood in Fight

BOSTON, June 7.—All traffic on Boston's subway, surface and elevated lines was practically tied up today when members of the Elevated Employes Union, by a vote of 1389 for to 8 against, decided to strike immediately.

As the vote was announced, the strikers boarded a passing car, shut off the power and then fled with a number of angry passengers in pursuit. A second car was stoned, windows smashed, the crew routed and the trolley tied down.

Organizer Fay declared that by night more than 3800 men would be out. Pickets stationed at car barns were ordered to call out every union man.

The elevated company, which controls every subway, surface car and elevated line in Boston, employs 6000 men. Officials of the company announced their intention of importing 1500 strikebreakers.

The men allege that the company refuses to recognize the union and has announced that it will not employ union men. When complaints are made against any of the men, the strikers declare, they are laid off, with their pay reduced during the hearing of the complaint.

Cars were stoned, passengers driven from the strets and there were a series of brisk clashes between police and strikers in all parts of Boston and the suburbs of Cambridge, Charleston, Roxbury and Somerville. Many arrests were made. Traffic is everywhere delayd.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC MAY USE JUICE TO CROSS SISKIYOUS

That the Southern Pacific railroad lines throughout northern California and southern Oregon are all to be electrified soon is the rumor that is persistent in railroad circles.

It is generally conceded that the California-Oregon Power company owners of the big power merger, made throughout this country recently when all the big plants of the country were placed under one head is backed or connected financially with the Harriman interests. Recently the head offices of this company, which was formerly the Siskiyou Electric Power company, with offices in Yreka, have been transferred to San Francisco and this lends color to the belief that the big power merger is backed by the Southern Pacific.

These include practically all of the big power plants and producing plants between Sacramento and Eugent. The corporation also owns sites in this territory where hundreds of thousands of power can be produced when the time comes when additional power to that now being produced by the plants in operation can be had. This fact and the activity in hooking up these plants to all power producing stations in this part of the country that can immediately be placed in service for operating any move desired lends color to the belief that the Southern Pacific is with the California-Oregon Power company and secret plans are being laid to electrify all railroad trains through this division.

Masons in Arabia earn 35 cents to 50 cents a day.

BERGER MOVES TO IMPEACH HANFORD

VICTOR L. BERGER.

ACCUSES JUDGE OF DRUNKENNESS

Socialist Congressman Introduces Resolution Calling for Impeachment of Seattle's Federal Judge Upon Four Counts of Unfitness for Office

Alleges Hanford Is Morally and Temperamentally Unfit to Preside and a Disgrace to This Country.

WASHINGTON, June 7.—Charging that Judge Cornelius H. Hanford of the United States district court of Washington state is a "habitual drunkard and morally and temperamentally unfit to hold a judicial position," Congressman Victor L. Burger of Wisconsin introduced a resolution in the house today directing the committee on judiciary to investigatee his charges, and, if substantiated, to recommend Hanford's impeachment. When the resolution was referred to committee, Berger arose on a question of the highest privilege and entered into a seathing arraignment of the Seattle jurist. He said, in part:

An Habitual Drunkard

"I accuse Judge Hanford of being an habitual drunkard. I charge that he annulled on May 13, in violation of the constitution, the naturalization papers of Leonard Olsson, a citizen of Tacoma. I charge that he issued in a collusive suit of August Peabody against the Seattle, Renton & Southern railway in August, 1911, an injunction in the interests of the company and against the interests of the citizens of Seattle, flagrantly violating justice and law. I charge that he is morally and temperamentally unfit to hold judicial position. I charge him with having been guilty of a long series of unlawful and corrupt decisions."

Committee Report Asked

Berger's resolution directs the committee to report if Judge Hanford "has been repeateedly in a drunken condition while presiding in courts whether he has been guilty of corrupt ministration has resulted in injury and wrong to litigants and others and whether he is guilty of misbehavior for which he should be impeached."

Four detailed charges, designated as "specifications," are attached to the resolution. Berger shortly will appear before the committee in an attempt to substantiate his charges. He claims that he has scores of affidavits against Judge Hanford from representative citizens of Washington cities and towns.

STEEL BAR USED TO TAMP CHARGE FOUND AT QUARRY

Attendants at the Sacred Heart hospitaal late this afternoon stated that there was no hope for the recovery of John Sutton and E. Vissino, who were injured by the premature explosion at Jacksonville quarry yesterday. They are weakening and death is said to be but a matter of a few hours. Their deaths will bring the total of fatalities to six, three being killed instantly, and one dying shortly after reaching the hospital Thursday. The other two who were injured will recover.

One hundred and seventy-five feet from the place where workmen were placing a blast in the Jacksonville quarry Thursday when a premature blast hurled three men into internity and fatally injured three more, one of whom has died since, was found today a steel bar 10 feet in length, powder marked at one end and bearing every evidence of being the bar in use at the time the explosion occurred. The bar was twisted and scarred evidently by the force of the explosion. The finding of the bar was testified to before the coroner's jury meeting at Jacksonville today to determine the responsibility for the explosion to be any doubt but that the longur to b any doubt but that the steel bar was in use, a highly dangerous operation according to mining men and others familiar with the handling of powder.

Conducted by Coroner Kellogg, the inquest opened in the circuit court room at Jacksonville today. The coroner's jury was chosen as follows: Theodore Cameron, Eugene Thompson, John Reenault, W. C. Dennoff, Arthur Thompson and Ezra Arnold. These men are for the most part miners who have had much experience in the handling of powder.

The inquest may be concluded this afternoon but it promises to continue over tomorrow as the probe is exhaustive. Judge E. E. Kelly is appearing for Twohy brothers, the contractors operating the quarry, while District Attorney Mulkey is appearing for the state.

The first witnesses summoned were the officers of the company, who were questioned closely as to the instructions issued to their crews who have the handling of powder. The questioning of these officers required most of the morning.

This afternoon the testimony of the men who found the twisted bar was taken as well as the story of eye witnesses.

The funeral of James Ryan, the water boy on whose efforts his widowed mother depended for a livelihood, will be held from the Catholic church at Jacksonville tomorrow morning. The other funerals will be held soon.

COMMERCE COURT IS CENSURED BY SUPREME COURT

WASHINGTON, June 7.—Ruling in two decisions that the commerce court has no authority to issue injunctions to stop the "negative" orders of the interstate comemrce commission, the United States supreme court today emphatically settled the long standing feud between the court and the commission in regard to jurisdiction.

"Such power," said Chief Justice White, referring to commerce court injuntions against the commission, "could wipe out the entire history of the interstate commerce commission act, and do violence to the very purposes of that measure. It would create disorders and confusion."

In the first cases appealed from the commerce court testing the court's authority to review the rates which the interstate commerce commission fixes, the supreme court upheld the commission, dealing a sweeping blow to the commerce court. The ruling was announced in two cases—one in which the commission was upheld in the sustaining by the supreme court of the commission's demurrage charges on private cars, and the other in the socalled shippers association case, which was appealed by the Cincinnati organization of shippers.

OAK STAKES WON BY 33 TO 1 SHOT

EPSOM DOWNS, Eng., June 7.—Mirksa a 33 to 1 shot, owned by George Pratt, today won the Oaks stakes by three lengths. The purse is $25,000. Equitable, owned by Leo DeRothschild, quoted at the same odds, was second, and Bill and Company, owned by L. Robinson, third.

Tagalie, winner of the derby, was a redhot favorite for the Oaks, but did not show. Fourteen horses started.

DECLINES DEVELOPED ON STOCK MARKET

NEW YORK, June 7.—Today's opening stock market developed general declines, among which Canadian Pacific with a loss of 2 1-4 was the leader. Later Reading and Lehigh Valley recovered their earlier losses and pressure was relaxed to some extent. United States Steel, Union Pacific and Amalgamated Copper were heavy.

The market colsed heavy.

Bonds were steady.

TO ELECT WOMAN ON SCHOOL BOARD

Mothers of Medford are asked to attend the mass meeting of women at the Medford theaer at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon to take action upon the school election and disuss the situation.

"On account of being a very busy man and having every minute of my time occupied, I cannot be a candidate for the board, as much as I would like to serve the community" states Prof. P. J. O'Gara who was requested by some of the ladies to run.

It is probable that Mrs. Mabel Parsons, president of the Greater Medford club and a hard worker for public enterprises will be endorsed by the women as candidate for the school board. She has been requested by many to make the race and partially consented.

Mrs. Parsons is a former teacher and has had extended experience in school affairs and is among the best qualified women in the city. She is a graduate of the University of Michigan, specialized in pedagogy, holds a Ph.D. degree.