

HILLES CHOSEN AS CHAIRMAN

President's Secretary Is Unanimously Named for Position by National Committee Members.

TO ARRANGE LATER FOR OTHER OFFICERS

Barnes Eliminated Because Man Acceptable to Western Republicans Was Desired.

Washington, July 9.—Charles D. Hillis, President Taft's secretary, was unanimously chosen chairman of the republican national committee this morning.

President Taft met a sub-committee of nine from the republican national committee again today to resume the work of choosing a national chairman.

For four hours yesterday afternoon President Taft, his secretary, Charles D. Hillis, and a sub-committee of the republican national committee discussed the question of the chairmanship.

More than a dozen names were considered during the long discussion held in the White House. The conference was entirely amicable.

Predictions were freely made that the chairmanship might not be decided for several days. Every man who might be available will be consulted before the sub-committee makes its final decision.

8 HELD FOR MURDER

Grand Jury Will Meet Monday to Consider Strike Riot at Garlow, La.

Lake Charles, La., July 9.—A grand jury will meet Monday in special session to consider the riot Sunday at Garlow, La., between union and non-union timber workers.

Darrow Character Witnesses

Los Angeles, July 9.—Further evidence of the good reputation of Clarence Darrow, former chief counsel for the McNamara on trial for alleged jury bribing, is expected to be provided today by the reading of character depositions from prominent Chicago persons.

Bar Women from School Boards

Baton Rouge, La., July 9.—The suffragists of Louisiana yesterday filed their fight in the legislature for a constitutional amendment which would permit women to serve on school boards.

French Aviator Killed

Chalons, France, July 9.—Rene Fiedal, holder of a cup for cross country flights, was killed this morning when his airplane crashed near the ground.

Elks Meet in Portland, Ore.

Portland, Ore., July 9.—The forty-eighth session of the grand lodge of Elks was formally opened today.

Browning's Son Dead

New York, July 9.—Robert Weidman Browning, the only son of Robert and Elizabeth Browning, died at Asolo, Italy, today.

Quakes in Alaska

Cardova, Alaska, July 9.—It is feared that the recent earthquake which destroyed the town of Cardova, Alaska, today.

MAY ASK MR. TAFT TO ABANDON RACE TO ABANDON RACE

Movement to Select Candidate Agreeable to Both Republican Factions.

Washington, July 9.—Publicity of the plans of progressive republican congressmen to circulate petitions calling on Taft to withdraw had the effect today of retarding development.

Washington, July 9.—A nation-wide movement to petition President Taft to withdraw as the republican presidential candidate is being backed by a large number of republican officeholders.

These men include members of congress, members of state legislatures which will elect senators, state and county officeholders and party candidates.

The circulation of petitions, it was declared, would start within a week. It was said the movement would begin spontaneously in every state.

The movement is in the hands of several well known members of congress. They are being aided by many of the extreme Roosevelt republicans.

The sponsors of the plan say one of its first results would be to let Mr. Taft know there are a considerable number of republicans who believe he should step aside in the interest of harmony.

WOMAN ADMITS CHARGES SHE MADE ARE FALSE

Mrs. Josephine Henning Now Says She Never Knew Clarence S. Funk.

Chicago, July 9.—State's Attorney Wayman today entered actively in the Funk-Henning case with the statement that Mrs. Josephine Henning had admitted that the allegations she made against Clarence S. Funk, general manager of the International Harvester company, in her husband's suit for \$25,000 for alienation of her affections, were false.

DUNCAN SEES TAFT

Denies Current Report That the North Carolina Appointments Were Under Discussion.

Washington, July 9.—E. C. Duncan came to Washington yesterday and spent several hours in conference with President Taft.

ARABS ARE DEFEATED

Pace from Falun Town, Leaving 100 Bodies on Field—Many Injures Wounded.

Rome, July 9.—The Italian troops yesterday captured the town of Misratah, 120 miles east of Tripoli.

New York, July 9.—The steamer Carabela, which arrived last evening from San Juan, Porto Rico, where the outbreak of the volcanic plumes has been reported, is expected to arrive today.



NEW YORK HERALD AND THE GAZETTE-NEWS

LOOKING FOR BIG GAME START EXCAVATION FOR GROVE HOTEL

Baptists' Success in Effort to Strengthen College Financially. Mrs. E. W. Grove Turned First Shovelful of Dirt and About 50 Men Continued It—Foundation Stone Already on the Ground.

A \$150,000 ENDOWMENT FUND FOR MEREDITH

At 10 o'clock this morning Mrs. E. W. Grove turned the first shovelful of dirt in the excavations to be made for the Grove hotel on Sunset mountain.

The statement was made by Mr. Randolph this morning that it hoped to have the structure complete within 15 months.

International Complications Threatened by Stand of American Mormons, Who Organize.

Agus Prieta, Mex., July 9.—International complications are threatened today by the determined attitude of Mormon colonists at Colonia Oaxaca and Colonia Morelos, who have refused to give the rebels horses and food and have organized a little army to fight for their property.

APPEAL FOR MERCY One Camorrist Slashes His Throat After the Verdict, but Will Recover.

Viterbo, Italy, July 9.—All the Camorrista, who were sentenced to long terms yesterday, appealed for clemency today.

Car Line Extension. There will really be two fronts to the building, one overlooking the country club golf links and commanding the view of the surrounding mountains.

Americans Flee from Porto Rico. New York, July 9.—The steamer Carabela, which arrived last evening from San Juan, Porto Rico, where the outbreak of the volcanic plumes has been reported, is expected to arrive today.

INSURGENCY DEVELOPS AMONG PROHIBITIONISTS

Effort to Oust Chairman of the Party's National Committee Failed.

Atlantic City, N. J., July 8.—A well-attended steam roller race over an insurgent movement in the prohibition party last night at a meeting of the national committee of that party preliminary to the national convention.

According to the plans formulated so far there will be 150 guest rooms in the house but Mr. Randolph stated this morning that some changes will be made that will increase this number somewhat.

The full plan for the arrangement of the guest rooms and others have not been given out as yet but the assurance is given that nothing will be overlooked that will make for the comfort and pleasure of the guests.

Mr. Grove says that he has found the ideal spot on which to erect a hotel and has set his heart on making it an attraction for people all over the world.

Well, the minister retorted, "come outside and we'll settle it." While friends interfered and explanations followed Chairman Jones put a motion declaring Haven's place vacant and it was carried.

W. G. Calderwood of Minnesota, present secretary of the committee, is the insurgent candidate for the party leadership. The committee last night elected E. L. Howard, of Rochester, N. Y., as temporary chairman of the convention.

40 ENGLISH MINERS KILLED BY EXPLOSION

Conisburgh, Yorkshire, England, July 9.—Forty miners were killed and many injured in an explosion in a mine here today.

Refugees Chatter to Break Jail. Meriden, Conn., July 9.—Four prisoners in the county jail opened the door of their cell today and fled.