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WEATHER TO-DAY. Washington, D. C., August 7.—North Carolina, showers and slightly coler Saturday; Sunday fair; light northwest to north winds.

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PROSPECTS WERE NEVER SO BRIGHT

John W. Kern Sees Democratic Victory

HEADQUARTERS OPENED

Chairman Mack Opens Democratic National Committee Headquarters in Chicago, as Does Also Chairman Lloyd, of the Congressional Committee—Kern Arrives Suddenly and Says Indiana is All in Line.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ills., Aug. 7.—Declaring that prospects for Democratic victory were never so bright in a Presidential campaign, John W. Kern, Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate, was an unexpected visitor this afternoon at the Democratic National Committee headquarters, which were formally opened at the Auditorium Annex by National Chairman Norman E. Mack. After a two-hours' conference with Mr. Mack on the general situation and the discussions of tentative plans for a speaking campaign, Mr. Kern left tonight for Charles City, Iowa, where he will address a Chatauqua meeting tomorrow. Before his departure, Mr. Kern confided that his speech of acceptance at his notification in Indianapolis would, as a matter of precendent, be much briefer than Mr. Bryan's speech at Lincoln.

Congressional Campaign Headquarters

Co-incident with the opening of the headquarters of the committee, Congressman James L. Lloyd, of Missouri, chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee, selected headquarters for his committee in the Auditorium Annex, and stated that he is prepared to continue actively the Congressional campaign which was launched in Washington early in March. Congressmen Lloyd says that the outlook is bright for the election of a Democratic Congress.

Mack Has Busy Day.

Chairman Mack had a busy time today conferring with National Committeemen and others who dropped in at headquarters. The heads of the various sub-committees of the National Committee will meet here Monday. Chairman Mack is hopeful that the Eastern Passenger Association will reconsider its action in declining to make a special rate to the Bryan notification. A letter has been addressed by Mr. Mack to the secretary of the association asking that in view of the fact that a special rate was made to the Taft notification at Cincinnati, similar concessions should be made for the Democrats.

Mr. Mack announced tonight that John W. Tomlinson, a member of the Executive Committee, had been appointed head of the National Bureau of Democratic Clubs, with headquarters in this city and assistants here and in the East.

Kern's Statement.

"Things were never so bright for Democratic victory," said Mr. Kern tonight, "and Indiana will certainly be found in the Democratic column this year. Not since 1892 have the conditions in Indiana been so favorable for the Democrats. Thomas R. Marshall will make the strongest possible run on the Democratic State ticket for Governor, being well liked by Republicans, who this year are split in factions. I would not be surprised to see the gubernatorial ticket run ahead of the national ticket."

"My speech of acceptance will be as a matter of precedent, much shorter than that of Mr. Bryan. It will be less than 3,000 words. My speech at the Bryan notification will comprise only a few words. I shall make a nonpartisan speech tomorrow at Charles City, Iowa, and will pay a tribute to the late Senator Allison. It is my intention to visit my old home in Warren county, Iowa, on Monday and then proceed to Lincoln."

Will Go on the Stump.

Mr. Kern said that after his notification on August 25th he will go on the stump speaking principally in the middle sections of the country, though he contemplates a trip through the East.

The Congressional Situation.

Congressman Lloyd, head of the Democratic Congressional Committee, made the following statement tonight on the Congressional situation:

"Our campaign has been in progress since March 1st, and prospects are encouraging for a Democratic House of Representatives. We expect to make decided gains in all the Mississippi Valley States, but at present will not make known the districts which we expect to win over. Our principal gains will be west of the Alleghanies and we will make some gains on the Atlantic seaboard. We have hopes of securing some Congressional districts in the East, but at present the prospect is not so encouraging as in the West."

NEAR DEATH'S DOOR.

Rev. M. Baldwin, One of the Oldest Baptist Ministers in the State, Unconscious Since Sunday.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Winston-Salem, N. C., Aug. 7.—Rev. M. Baldwin, perhaps the oldest Baptist divine in the State, is near death's door at Huntsville, Yadkin county. He is 83 years of age and has been unconscious since Sunday as a result of a stroke of paralysis.

A Naught Dropped Out.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Smithfield, N. C., Aug. 7.—In the report of the opening tobacco sales on Tuesday last the **News and Observer** stated that we sold 5,000 pounds here, when it should have been 50,000 pounds.

FOUR ARRESTED FOR KIDNAPPING

Two Men and Two Women Taken to Greensboro

THEY WALKED TO DURHAM

Ben Ashby, 10 Years of Age, Son of John Ashby, of Greensboro, Taken by the Four Who Claim to Be Mr. and Mrs. Surratt and Mr. and Mrs. Ashby—A Dirty, Rough-looking Set.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Durham, N. C., August 7.—Four people, two white men and two white women, were arrested here last night charged with kidnapping and today the quartette and the little boy that it is alleged they kidnapped in Greensboro were taken back to that city for trial. The four arrested were taken into custdy under the names of Ken Surratt, Walter Ashby, Becky Roberson and Jennie Taylor, although they claim that they are married and that it is Mr. and Mrs. Surratt and Mr. and Mrs. Ashby. The boy with them, who looks to be about ten years of age, is Bennie Ashby, son of John Ashby, of Greensboro. All five spent the night in jail and Sheriff Harward, who, with Deputy Sheriff Joe Pleasants landed the bunch as soon as they reached Durham, notified Greensboro to send a man to get the prisoners and the boy.

It is a dirty rough looking set. They walked all the way from Greensboro, taking a week on the trip, and were tired and dirty when they reached Durham. Before leaving Greensboro they shipped their belongings by freight and this resulted in the author-

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WAR AUTOIST IN TROUBLE

Chauffeur Arrested for Driving Across Board Walk

In Morehead City Occurs Only Trouble The Party Had and This Was Settled—The Auto is All Right and Comes Home by Rail.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Morehead City, N. C., Aug. 7.—Mr. Thomas Harris, of Raleigh, the mechanician who accompanied Mr. John Park to Morehead with dispatches from Governor Glenn, was arrested this morning for driving the war dispatch auto across the board walk between the station and Atlantic Hotel.

At the time of the arrest Mr. Park and Mr. William Jones, of Raleigh, were also on the car, and these gentlemen, too, were summoned to appear before Mayor Wallace. Mr. Park requested the mayor to hold him responsible for violation of the city ordinance as owner of the car, although he did not know that his chauffuer was committing a crime by driving over the only available roadway that he could find. Mr. Harris was released and Mr. Park settled the fine.

It is not stated what the penalty was but the autoists say that this was the only occasion on the entire trip that their right of way was disputed. Mr. Parks stated that the car went through some of the larger towns having good roads at the rate of thirty miles an hour, flying the National colors, and instead of being detained the occupants were heartily cheered as they sped through.

The dispatch car was given a careful inspection this morning and found none the worse for its long journey. It was stowed safely away on a freight car and will return to Raleigh by rail.

IT'S NOW UP TO COWLES

Is Challenged to Meet Congressman R. N. Hackett in Joint Canvass of the Eighth District

(Special to News and Observer.)

Salisbury, N. C., Aug. 7.—Following his election as chairman of the Democratic executive committee for the Eighth Congressional district Hon. Theo F. Kluttz today announced the following challenge:

"Mr. Henry Reynolds, chairman Republican Executive Committee of the Eighth District, Wilkesboro, N. C.

"Dear Sir:—As instructed by the Democratic Executive Committee of the Eighth Congressional district I respectfully challenge Hon. Charles H. Cowles to a joint canvass of the district with Hon. R. N. Hackett and shall be glad to meet you at any convenient time and place to arrange details. Hoping to have an early favorable reply, I am

"Very respectfully,

"THEO. F. KLUTTZ."

Congressman Hackett was in Salisbury today and is eager to have the challenge for a joint canvass accepted as he is extremely anxious to meet his opponent, Mr. Cowles, at any time. He was here looking for weak places in his own fence but failed to find any worth naming. There are many others hopeful of a joint canvass, and if such is arranged there will be a warm time in the Eighth district for a while.

BLOODY FIGHT IN EDGECOMBE

N. D, Oneal Is Dead; S. W. Sparks in Jail

OLD GRUDGE AND DRINKS

Tragedy Occurred in the Saloon of Dave Williams at Lawrence—O'Neal is Stabbed Five Times by His Assailant, Frightfully Carving His Body.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Tarboro, N. C., August 7.—As a result of one of the most bloody fights in the history of Edgecombe county last night at Lawrence, R. B. O'Neal died this afternoon and S. W. Sparks was lodged in jail on the charge of murder.

The two men had an old grudge but were quite sociable yesterday evening, having taken a number of drinks in the presence of Kenney Bland at Dave Williams' saloon.

Upon meeting at the bar Sparks attacked O'Neal upon a small provocation and drawing a keen edged pocket knife stabbed O'Neal five times, twice in the abdomen, from which wounds five feet of his intestines oozed out; one in the right lung, one in the left lung and the left arm.

Physicians stated today that he was the worst carved man they had ever seen. O'Neal was aged 30 years, the son of the late Robert O'Neal, and leaves a wife and 5 children. Sparks is aged 32 years. Sparks attempted to escape after the fight.

STARTLING INFORMATION

Beaving on Mysterious Murder of Boy in Chicago

Tuffa Shashem's Compaions Say He Was Called Into the Home of a Turk and They Awaited in Vain His Return—Other Developments.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ills., Aug. 7.—Startling information was obtained by the police this afternoon in their efforts to clear up the mystery of the murder of Tuffa Shashem, 13 years old, those dismembered body was found recently in "Mud Lake," a part of the Chicago River.

August Cardersel and Dominiew Larado, boys, today testified to Police Inspector Dorman that young Shashem had on Sunday last, the day of his disappearance, entered the home of Hassin Nemmer, a Turk, now under arrest, in company with Nemmer. The boys waited half an hour for their companion to return, but finally got discouraged and left. That was the last they saw of the lad until his body was brought piece-meal to the morgue.

A weird touch was added to the story of the boys by a woman living opposite Nemmer's home. She declared that on Sunday night she was attracted by the howling of a dog, whose nose was pressed against the crack under the outer door of the Nemmer's attic room. The dog acted as if he had struck a scent and was distressed because he could not follow it, the woman declared. She said presently a foot appeared from the doorway and the dog was kicked down the stairway.

The two boys and young Shashem were at the Union station Sunday morning where Nemmer appeared and Shashem shined the former's shoes. Nemmer, they said, said he had something at home with which foot gear

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ENTIRE FAMILY KILLED

Frank Murphy Wife and Son, of Allegheny County, Struck by Lightning

(By the Associated Press.)

Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 7.—A special to the Observer from Sparta, Alleghany county, brings news of the death of an entire family today at Edmonds, ten miles across the mountains from Sparta, by lightning. Frank Murphy, a farmer, his wife and young son, were in the field stacking rye when the storm came up. The trio ran for shelter, but were struck before they reached the house. The bodies were found later by neighbors.

Serious Row Narrowly Averted.

Special to News and Observer.)

Winston-Salem, N. C., Aug. 7.—A serious row was narrowly averted during the ball game with Greensboro this evening. Greensboro rooters took a big flag into the grand-stand. This was like waving a red rag in the face of a bull. One or two Winston boys grabbed the flag and the holder and his associates resented the act. A rough and tumble fight folowed. The entire police force was summoned. J. C. Penny and Thomas Murray, of Greensboro, were arrested. They gave bonds for their appearance before the Recorder. Penny is accused of striking Jim Neal, a Winston boy, a fearful blow on the nose. Neal was only an innocent by-stander.

HIS LIABILITIES ALMOST $500,000

Thaw Files Voluntary Petition in Bankruptcy

HIS ASSETS ARE $128,012

Roger O'Mara, a Well Known Pittsburg Detective and Personal Friend of the Thaw Family, is Appointed Receiver For Harry—His Bond Placed at $200,000—Unique Grounds Alleged For the Action.

(By the Associated Press.)

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 7.—A voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed after 8 o'clock tonight in the United States Court by Attorney Charles Morchauser, of New York representing H. K. Thaw, of this city, who is now confined in the Dutchess county, New York, jail.

In the petition Thaw states that his assets are $128,012.38 and his liabilities $453,140.43.

Roger O'Mara, a well known Pittsburg detective and personad friend of the Thaw family, was appointed as receiver. His bond was placed at $200,000, and John Newell and James W. Piatt, two prominent business men of this city, became security for Mr. O'Mara.

The most interesting information regarding the proceeding is to be found in the petition asking for the appointment of a receiver in which it is alleged that the action is taken for the purpose of preventing his property being dissipated in the litigation over claims, many of which are unjust.

The figures in the bankruptcy show that this refers to the lawyers and doctors.

Thaw states that he is confined in jail in Dutchess county, New York, and is likely to be there for some time. He says some of his creditors have commenced suits against him and others are contemplating similar action. He is unable, he says, to give the litigation his attention owing to the confinement. The papers were received by E. M. Underwood, receiver in bankruptcy of the United States Court for Lawrence county, Pa., who happened to be in this city, the local receiver, W. R. Blair, being absent for a few days. The papers will be presented to Mr. Blair when he returns.

McMillan to Join the Brooklyns.

(By the Associated Press.)

Brooklyn, N. Y., Aug. 7.—President Ebbetts, of the Brooklyn Baseball Club, announced today that McMillan, of the Jacksonville, Fla., club, of the South Atlantic League, will join the Brooklyns tomorrow and will probably play in the infield in one or both games of tomorrow's double header with Cincinnati.

"WE SIGHTED THE ENEMY"

Capt. Baldwin Makes Successful Flight to Demonstrate Use of Airship in Wartime

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Aug. 7.—"We sighted the enemy."

These words were shouted by Captain Baldwin at Fort Myer today as he piloted his military balloon to the ground after making a successful flight of nearly five miles in an effort to demonstrate the usefulness of an airship in wartime. Tomorrow at five o'clock Captain Baldwin will be ready for the first official speed trial.

Rising from the ground like a monster bird of the air, slowly but buoyantly, at 6:21 o'clock this evening the aerial ship built for the United States army was headed into the westerly wind by Captain Baldwin. A complete circle was derived, the balloon rising to a height of 200 feet. Again pointing to the West, and attaining an estimated speed of twelve miles an hour, the ship voyaged in a direct line for nearly two miles. The trip back was made with the wind, which was blowing at the rate of seven miles an hour. The throttle was thrown open a little wider by Mr. Curtiss, who again operated the engine, and the ship flew along at a speed of eighteen or twenty miles an hour.

When the dirigible passed over the starting point it was about five hundred feet in the air. Bringing his ship against the wind, Captain Baldwin made a landing much the same as pilots of water craft bring their vessels to the side of a dock.

With a broad smile, Captain Baldwin announced that the flight was satisfactory in every respect. "Tomorrow," he said, "we will go after the money.

Everything is just as we thought it was when we brought it here. The horinzinzal rudder worked perfectly, and we made several manuevers which showed that everything is in perfect condition. We are ready to make the official test any time."

Mr. Curtiss bubbled over with enthusiasm. "She rode on an even keel throughout the trip," he said. "As an example of the ease with which the ship is controlled and to show what can be done while operating it i nthe air at a height of five hundred feet, I sketched a map of the country of which we travelled."

The diribile was in the air seventeen minutes. At seven o'clock it was again taken up for a spin of four minutes, circling around and round over the starting point. During both flights the airship was in perfect control, responding to the rudder and the planes beautifully.

TO RECEIVE IT'S FIRST TEST TODAY

The New Direct Primary Law of Illinois

A SWEEPING REVOLUTION

The Initial Trial of the New Law Precedes An Election in Which Are to be Chosen All Other General State Officers and a Legislature, Which Latter Will Choose Senators and Twenty-Five Congressmen.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 7.—The new direct primary law of Illinois, declared by its friends to be the most effective instrument on any statute book providing for the expression of political preferences, will receive its first test tomorrow.

The initial trial of the new law precedes an election in which are to be chosen a governor and all other general officers of the State, a legislature, which in turn will choose a United States senator and twenty-five Congressmen. The vote tomorrow is the first actual test of the direct method of choosing candidates in a city so large as Chicago. It is admitted by politicians that the law will doubtless work well throughout the State, and in less highly congested centers of population than in this city. Primaries heretofore have been successfully carried through in towns and cities of considerable size. The vote tomorrow will be the first of the kind held in one of the great cities of the country.

The present law is the most sweep-

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KNIGHTS BREAK CAMP

End of Bienniel Encampment of Uniform Rank

Important Business Session of the Supreme Lodge of Knights of Pythias in Boston Yesterday—Confirmed Appointment of Maj.-Gen. Strobbert.

(By the Associated Press.)

Boston, Mass., Aug. 7.—An important business session of the Supreme Lodge and the breaking of camp by the uniform rank, marked today's proceedings of the twenty-fifth convention of the Knights of Pythias and the Biennial encampment of the uniformed rank. A terrific storm broke over the encampment of the uniformed Knights during the afternoon, thoroughly drenching the entire camp and interfering much with the orderly preparations for breaking camp.

The Supreme Lodge confirmed the appointment of Major General Arthur J. Strobbart, of St. Paul, Minn., as commander-in-chief of the uniformed rank. Further business will be acted on at the concluding session Monday. The assembly of the uniform rank formally fixed upon Milwaukee as the place of the next biennial encampment. The flag over Camp Joseph H. Lyon was formally lowered at 5:15 o'clock today and tents were struck and by tomorrow noon practically all the uniform rank will have left the city. The last of the competitive drills by the cavalry and infantry companies of the uniform rank were held on Franklin field early in the day, and tonight the committee of judges announced their awards. Troop 43, from St. Joseph, Mo., won the $800 prize in the cavalry class, while the first prize of $1,500, in the infantry class went to Company 1, of Georgia, which scored 97.09. Company 3, of Indiana, was a close second

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WENT DOWN EMBANKMENT

Three Men Killed in Wreck of a Work Train on a Virginia Mountain Side

(By the Associated Press.)

Roanoke, Va., Aug. 7.—The work train on a narrow gauge road running to the Rorer Iron Mines, two miles from Roanoke today left the rails and rolled down a high embankment on the mountain side. A number of men riding on the train were caught under the engine and cars. Three were killed and several more seriously injured.

The dead:
James Tyree.
James Wertz.
John Brown.

SECOND PRIMARY FOR RICHMOND

Democrats Have to Vote Again on County Treasurer.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Rockingham, N. C., Aug. 7.—Richmond county Democrats will have a second primary to select a nominee for treasurer. In the primary held Tuesday D. M. Morrison, the present incumbent, received 475 votes, A. J. Williams 518 votes and William L. Steele 441 votes. The second race will be between Mr. Morrison and Mr. Williams and will be held on Tuesday, August the 25th.

THE TRIAL OF JOSEPH LANCE

Charged With Killing Little Alma Green

"OUGHT TO BE LYNCHED"

This the Opinion Expressed by a Citizen Called Into the Jury Box—Watch Me Make That Gun Bounce," ly to Accepted accordingly legislature the words of Dependant according to Testimony of One Who Was by Him when Fatal Shot was Fired.

(By the Associated Press.)

Asheville, N. C., Aug. 7.—The Superior court room was crowded with spectators this morning when the trial of Joseuh Lance, charged with the killing of little Alma Green at Buena Vista station on the afternoon of December 31, 1907, was resumed before Judge Ward. With the adjournment of court yesterday afternoon the prosecution rested and this morning the defense began calling its witnesses and taking in behalf of the accused. Three witnesses for the defense had been up to 11 o'clock. Th testimony for the defense, of Bryson Cumner, a young fellow of the Limestone section who was on the train at the time the alleged shooting occurred, was interesting. The witness testified that he heard three shots fired; that the shots apparently came from different portions of the train. He further testified that one of the shots was fired by a man standing on the platform of one of the coaches and on the side of the train passing next the embankment where the little girl

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SAGAMORE HILL SECRETS

No Information Obtainable From Two Important Conferences

Secretary Wright and Colonel Scott Talk With Roosevelt About the Hazing Affair and Hitchcock Has a Conference on Politics.

(By the Associated Press.)

Oyster Bay, N. Y., August 7.—Not a bit of definite information regarding the two important conferences in which President Roosevelt engaged at Sagamore Hill today, could be gained later from any of those who participated.

Secretary of War Wright and Col. Hugh L. Scott, superintendent of the West Point Military Academy, talked with the President about the cases of the eight cadets recently suspended for hazing. It is believed that the Secretary maintained his earlier position that clemency might be shown without violence to military discipline, and that Colonel Scott held to his former and contrary opinion. The attitude of the President has already been made known and he is supposed to have sought today a thorough exposition of both sides of the matter. If a final decision was reached it was scrupulously withheld from the newspaper men and will be announced probably from the War Department on Monday.

National Committee Chairman Frank H. Hitchcock discussed politics with the President earlier in the day, but he too was non-communicative when seen later.

He contented himself with saying that his conversation with the President concerned politics in general.

CONDITION OF CORN CROP

Government Report Shows Average of 82.5 Per Cent, as Compared With 82.8 Last Year

(By the Associated Press.)

Washington, D. C., Aug. 7.—The crop reporting board of the Bureau of Statistics of the Department of Agriculture in a bulletin issued today shows that the condition of corn on August 1st was 82.5 per cent, of a normal as compared with 82.8 last month, 82.8 on August 1, 1907, and 83.1 the ten year average on August 1. The condition in the Southern States was:

States.	1908	Ten Year Average.
Texas	86	78
Georgia	89	86
Kentucky	83	85
Tennessee	84	84
Alabama	87	84
North Carolina	91	87
Arkansas	78	83
Mississippi	86	80
South Atlantic States	89.0	86.4

Preliminary returns indicate a yield of winter wheat of about 14.3 bushels per acre, or a total of 422,940,000 bushels, which compares with 14.6 bushels and 409,442,000 bushels respectively, the final estimates of last year's crop. The average quality of the crop of 90.1 against 90.5 last year.

The average condition of spring

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BULK TO COME FROM THE MASSES

Wherewithal to Conduct Democratic Campaign

ELKS ARE FOR MR. BRYAN

Travelling Men Also Are Found to be For the Nebraskan—Conference With Senator Pettigrew—Bryan Changes His Program Somewhat—Prohibitionist Chafin Will Call Today.

(By the Associated Press.)

Fairview, Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 7.—The wherewithal to conduct the Democratic campaign was the momentous question under discussion at Fairview today. It has been fully realized that a properly conducted campaign requires adequate funds to pay the legitimate expenses, but the question of who is to put up the money is one which has been the subject of discussion ever since the nominations at Denver were made. While it is admitted that from a number of sources individual contributions of considerable size will be made, the decision has been reached that the bulk of the fund is to come from the masses. A sum not less than $500,000 is regarded as necessary to meet expenses of the campaign.

Conference With Senator Pettigrew.

The subject was talked over at length today by Mr. Bryan and former Senator R. F. Pettigrew, of South Dakota, a member of the Finance Committee, and tonight with Governor C. N. Haskell, treasurer of the Democratic National Committee. The decision was reached that the Finance Committee should meet in Chicago next Monday and at once enter on the work of organization and of perfecting plans for raising funds.

Majority of Elks for Bryan.

Mr. Pettigrew came direct from New York, where he was in conference with Chairman Mack and other party leaders. "Not all the Democrats I met," said Mr. Pettigrew, "will support Mr. Bryan, but their defection will have no effect on the result because the Democrats are nearer together than ever before. New York is certainly Democratic this year. I found many Democrats of great wealth who heretofore were opposed to our candidates, but this year they are with us. These men, who acquired their money honestly, intend to lend substantial financial aid to our cause.'

Bryan Changes His Program.

As the result of the visit of Mr. Pettigrew it was disclosed that Mr. Bryan contemplates still another change in his program. The plan now is, that following his speech at Topeka, he will proceed to Mitchell, S. D., where he will deliver an address on August 29th. The following day, Sunday, will be spent in Sioux Falls and from there he will go to St. Paul, where he is scheduled to speak on August 31st. On September 2nd Mr. Bryan will speak at the Nebraska State Fair in Lincoln.

Chafin to Call at Fairview.

Eugene W. Chafin, of Chicago, Prohibitionist nominee for the presidency, today announced his intention to call on Mr. Bryan tomorrow. Mr. Chafin reached Lincoln this morning and tonight delivered a lecture at Epworth Park.

Travelling Men for Bryan.

Among Mr. Bryan's callers today was D. A. Hollingsworth, of Atchison, Kansas, a member of the grand council of the United Commercial Travellers and of the Supreme Council of the Elks.

Mr. Hollingsworth has been in attendance on the meetings of the former organization in Texas and Louisiana of the Elks at Dallas. He informed Mr. Bryan that the traveling men were favorable to him, and that at the meetings of the Elks a poll disclosed that a majority of the delegates would vote the Democratic ticket.

College at Singapore.

Bishop W. F. Oldham, of the Methodist Episcopal church, in charge of the Missions in the Philippines and the Malay Islands, also was a caller. He met Mr. Bryan at Singapore on his trip around the world. Bishop Oldham unfolded to Mr. Bryan a plan for the building of a college at Singapore to give religious instruction to the youth of the world, regardless of nationality. The idea met with instant favor and Mr. Bryan handed the Bishop a letter commending it.

Bishop Oldham was loud in his praise of Mr. Bryan, because, as he said, "he has endeared himself to all missionaries by his manifest interest in our work."

Republican Sees Democratic Victory.

From the lips of a Republican, Mr. Bryan today was told that the Democratic party would win this year, **"because it is closer to the people."**

The statement was by Judge G. S. West, of Wellston, Oklahoma, who came out to Fairview to meet the Democratic candidate. "The people are dissatisfied with the inaction of the Republican senators of the Aldrich and Hale type," he said, "they are with the Democratic party on its labor plank. Added to this the coming of a panic during a Republican administration when the people have always been told by Republican orators that panics thrive only during Democratic times, the people have a desire for a change."

New Rural Routes.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Washington, D. C., Aug. 7.—Rural free delivery routes are ordered established November 2, at Ash, Brunswick county, Route No. 1, population 600, families 125; Louisburg, Franklin county, Route No. 6, population 600, families 112.