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A GREATER SOUTH AGENTS TRIED TO A GREATER NATION FIX VENIREMEN

Roosevelt on the South Panel of 72 Dismissed and Its Future by the Court

DIPS PEN IN GLOWING INK JUDGE SAYS DEPLORABLE

This Action Came After Several Days Endeavor to Get a Jury to Try Lee O'Neil Browne, Charged With Giving a Bribe to Chas. J. White to Vote for Senator Lorimer—A Sixth Panel Ordered to Report Today.

(By the Associated Press.)

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 16.—Declaring that nearly all the veniremen had been "approached" in connection with the trial of Lee O'Neil Browne, Judge Kersten today dismissed a panel of 72 who had been subpoenaed for the selecting of a jury. This action came after several days endeavor to get a jury to try Browne, Democratic minority leader of the Illinois Legislature, for giving representative Chas. J. White a bribe to vote for Wm. Lorimer for United States Senator.

Judge Kersten pronounced the situation "deplorable."

The veniremen were immediately taken to the office of State Attorney Wayman where Judge Kersten asked each man by name if he had been called on by anyone in connection with his possible services as a juror. Nearly all answered in the affirmative. They were instructed to report in court tomorrow for further investigation.

Mr. Wayman made the as action in court that he could prove by a detective employed by the defense that the latter had systematically sought out every prospective venireman, either personally or through members of his family.

P. H. O'Donnell, of counsel for Browne, asserted that the veniremen had been "seen" by agents of a third interest, neither defense nor prosecution, but some one interested for political reasons in the downfall of Browne.

Swan Dahlberg, member of the panel, stated in court that he had been "seen" by some agent, whose real purpose he did not know. Dahlberg said this agent told him that he need not answer the subpoena, Dahlberg acted on this advice and was in consequence brought before the judge today to explain why he should not be adjudged in contempt of court. He told his story, and Judge Kersten leaned over his desk and said solemnly:

"The court wants to know if this is going to be a fair trial or a travesty on justice. The situation has reached a point where an investigation is necessary."

One venireman, whose name was not disclosed, created excitement after the panel had been taken to the State's attorney's office. There was a hurry call for a stenographer. A member of Mr. Wayman's staff informed that the venireman had been asked by "an agent" to "stick it out for Browne till hell freezes over."

A sixth panel which was ordered to report tomorrow will be questioned if it is found that investigators have been talking to them. This panel will be dismissed.

ONSLAW COUNTY CONVENTION.

Hon. E. M. Koonce Nominated for the House—Will Be Candidate for Speaker—Other Nominations.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Jacksonville, Aug. 14.—The Democratic County Convention of Onslow assembled in the court house at 11 o'clock, noon, today, and organized by electing Hon. Rudolph Duffy as permanent chairman.

Hon. E. M. Koonce was nominated as the candidate for the House of Representatives, having beaten his two opponents, Cooper and Humphrey, in the recent primary election by the handsome majority of about six hundred votes. Mr. Koonce won out against strong opposition, and his nomination is the climax of one of the most vicious campaigns ever witnessed in this county.

The friends of Mr. Koonce will present his name for speaker of the next House. Having served in the Legislature a number of terms he is eminently qualified for this important position.

Sheriff E. W. Summerall, Clerk of Court, J. B. Capps and Register of Deeds J. B. Peltrew were nominated as the first ballot to succeed themselves.

At this hour, 8 o'clock, the convention is in a deadlock over the office of county treasurer, the candidates for this office being Messrs. F. W. Garrett, E. H. Walton and D. J. Moore.

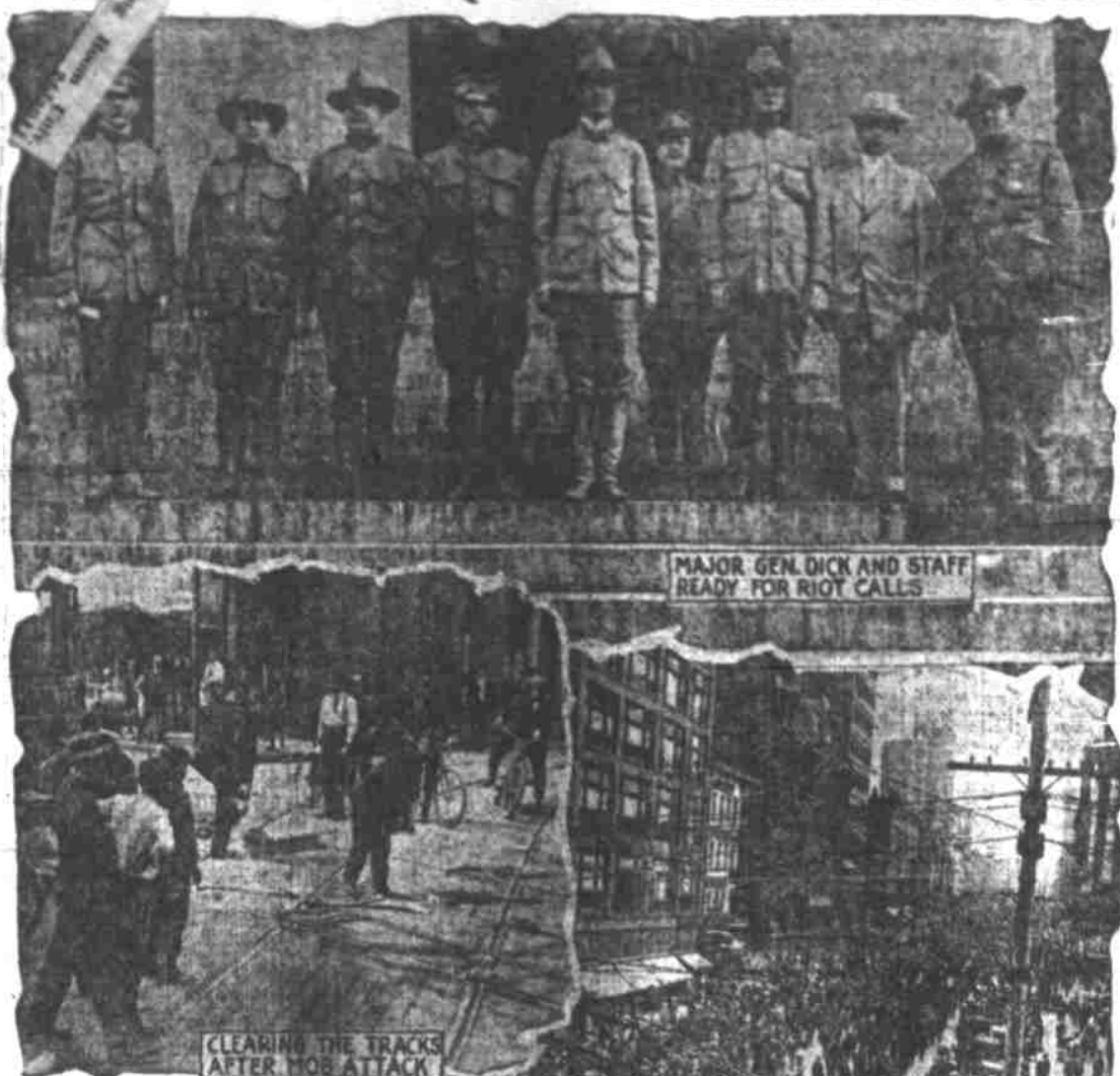
SHIPPER'S CLAIM DAMAGES TO THE Amount of \$1,000.

(By the Associated Press.)

Norfolk, Va., Aug. 14.—The steamer Montauk Point, J. Roache, Master, North American Line, Limited, of Liverpool, England, at present under charter to Furness Company, of Newport News, was loading coal there, way today loaded for \$1,000 by J. Mottison Kidd and Company, a corporation of Dundee, Scotland, and J. Lasser, agent of Augusta, Ga.

The shippers claim that they on June 23, 1910, shipped on the Montauk Point 2,000 tons of coal, valued at \$250,000 and that while on the voyage the master of the ship caused the stowage condition of the coal to be destroyed by the stowage of the stowage of the coal.

MILITIA AT OHIO'S CAPITAL TO QUIET STRIKE TROUBLE



HEAP BIG CHIEF ALSO GETS GRAFT

Chief Johnson on the Witness Stand

HIS MEMORY FAILS HIM

The Depositing of Such a Trifling Little Sum as \$75,000 Created Little Impression on the Red Skins' Mind—The Deposit Followed the Rake-Off of \$750,000 by McMurray—The Investigating Committee Read Between the Lines.

(By the Associated Press.)

Sulphur, Okla., Aug. 16.—Douglas H. Johnson, chief of 80,000 members of the Chickasaw Tribe, did not remember today before the special Congressional investigating committee when asked how it was that he was able to deposit \$75,000 to his personal credit a few days after Attorney McMurray had received \$750,000 as attorney fees.

Johnson previously testified that he always had approved of what are known as the McMurray contracts, which provide for the sale of 130,000,000 worth of land belonging to the Indians, giving McMurray 10 per cent, or \$3,000,000 in fees.

Chief Johnson also has urged other Indians to sign the contracts. He said that he was a particular friend of McMurray's and that in what are known as his citizenship cases several years ago he approved of a contract in which McMurray got a salary of \$1,000 per year and \$2,700 a year expenses. A short time afterwards he approved of another contract on which McMurray obtained for doing the same work a contingent fee of \$750,000. The latter fee was to have been \$1,500,000, but was cut down half by the government.

"Why was it you were willing to give McMurray \$750,000 for doing that for which he already was paid a salary?" asked Representative C. H. Miller of Mississippi.

"He was my friend," Johnson replied.

"He got out of the rolls \$250,000 on my property and then sold us a lot of \$1,000,000. I would have been willing to have paid him 50 per cent of \$5,000,000."

"You were willing to give a little graft money in order to save that much land, is that it? Now tell why it is that a few days after that \$750,000 was paid to McMurray, you were able to deposit to your personal account in a bank at Denton, Texas, \$75,000?"

"I do not remember. I was dealing in cattle and my account varied, so I do not remember."

The \$750,000 of \$75,000 to your personal account produced so little impression on your mind that you don't remember? When you became chief of your tribe, did it a fact that your bank account was only \$250? Now, then, were you able to deposit \$75,000 but a short time after McMurray got his \$750,000?"

Chief Johnson declared that he did not remember. Johnson occupied almost the entire day on the stand. Governor C. B. Hays today telegraphed the committee to testify but he probably will be called.

HOOPER NAMED TO OPPOSE PATTERSON

Action of Tennessee Republican Convention

STAND FOR PROHIBITION

The Convention Also Endorsed the Candidacy of B. A. Enloe for Railroad Commissioner, Independent Candidate—Platform Declares for Redistricting of State—Nevell Sanders Re-Elected State Chairman of Republican State Committee.

(By the Associated Press.)

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 16.—Captain Benjamin W. Hooper of Newport (Coke) county, was today nominated for Governor of Tennessee by the Republican State convention here. The name of Alfred A. Taylor, of Washington county, was the only other one presented to the convention, and immediately following the ballot the nomination was made unanimous. The ballot stood, Hooper, 282 9-14; Taylor, 201 5-14. The convention also endorsed the candidacy of B. A. Enloe, independent man for Railroad Commissioner from west Tennessee. The independent State wide prohibition Democrats, who have fought Governor M. R. Patterson every step of his official career, are expected to support the Republican ticket as against the regular Democratic nominee, which includes Patterson for reelection.

The platform adopted today declares for a backward step in the prohibition laws which were passed over the veto of Gov. Patterson, and asserts that the State should be redistricted as regards Congressional, Judicial and Legislative districts. It also favors continuance of Federal appropriations for Federal soldiers, also for Confederate soldiers.

Captain Hooper is the choice of the leaders of the independent State wide prohibition factions of the Democratic party which recently elected their candidates for the State judicial officers and of the Sanders-Evans-Sharp Republicans. Announcement of the nomination elicited a very mild demonstration and Captain Hooper took the floor for his acceptance speech. He declared he was the candidate of a simple citizen and that he stood on his record solely. He referred to stories of conferences at Beverly and asserted he knew nothing of them or their purpose.

Capt. Hooper is 33 years old and a native of Cooke county. He was graduated from Carson with first honors and served two terms in the State Legislature. He was assistant United States attorney of the Eastern Tennessee district and served as captain in the Fourth Tennessee Regiment during the War with Spain. Following the adjournment of the Republican convention this afternoon the new State committee met and organized by the reelection of Nevell Sanders as chairman.

DEAF MUTES WILL MEET IN DURHAM

State Convention Convenes There Next Week

MARRIAGE A FEATURE

Reuben Barber's Case for Assault and Carrying Concealed Weapon is Heard and Fine Imposed—National Religious Training School Closes its Summer Course and the President Goes North After More Funds.

(Special to News and Observer.)

Durham, Aug. 16.—The State convention of deaf mutes will be held here next week, three days, August 24, 25 and 26.

This is the second of the conventions Raleigh having entertained the silent hosts two years ago. One hundred and fifty delegates are expected and today Mayor Griswold addressed an appeal to the people of the city to contribute liberally to their entertainment.

One of the notable features of the occasion will be the marriage of Miss Ella P. Smith and Mr. Tyre L. Walker. Both are deaf and the ceremony will have to be performed through an interpreter. Rev. R. S. Post will unite them according to the Episcopal ritual. The mutes have a rector who is without power to hear and the plans of ministers may be changed. It is expected, however, that the dumb rector cannot be here. Mr. Post has studied their language a great deal and is able to converse with them.

The convention next week will be presided over by Prof. D. R. Tillingham, formerly of Charlotte. He is the father of Miss Roby Tillingham who is doing wonders teaching the mutes. The colony here is the strongest in the State and among it there seems very intellectual and substantial citizens.

H. A. Post, ten years bookkeeper for the Imperial Tobacco Company, left yesterday for Mullens and Latta, South Carolina, where he will take a market for the company.

Mr. Post resigned his position July 1st, and has been since that time visiting his old home in Rowan county. Mrs. Post and the children will more than likely spend half the year in the country in Rowan.

In the recorder's court this morning, Reuben Barber was tried on two counts, one for assault with deadly weapon and the other for carrying concealed weapons, in each of which cases he was found guilty and fined \$75 and costs in all.

Barber did not resist the judgment except through his attorney, P. C. Graham, asking that the fine be reduced to \$50 and costs. Judge Sykes has that matter under advisement now and will decide it tomorrow morning. Barber was quiet enough today.

It develops that Chandler, the man who was the target for Barber's leaded gun, in the event he didn't observe the Barber's activities by allowing the many times accused gentleman a Sunday drive had been in City Attorney Chandler's and shortly before he was arrested. Barber had been in an automobile. Barber had been in an automobile. Barber had been in an automobile.

ROOSEVELT MEETS UNCLE JOE FIRES DECISIVE DEFEAT INTO HIS ENEMIES

He is Turned Down For Will Still Fight For the Temporary Chairmanship Speakership

FLOORED BY 'OLD GUARD' WILL DIE WITH BOOTS ON

This Makes the Second Defeat Administered to the ex-President in New York State Politics—When Colonel Roosevelt Heard the News He Exhorted Himself as a Progressive—Harmony Takes Wings and a Bitter Partisan Fight to Come.

(By the Associated Press.)

New York, Aug. 16.—Theodore Roosevelt matched strength with the "old guard" of the Republican party in New York state today and met decisive defeat. The Republican State committee in session here, by a vote of 29 to 16, refused to recommend him for temporary chairman of the State convention which meets at Saratoga on September 27. Instead, Vice-President James S. Sherman was selected.

This is Colonel Roosevelt's second defeat at the hands of the "old guard," the first having been the legislature's refusal to pass the Cobb direct primary bill, although Mr. Roosevelt personally endorsed it. With his setting today plans for harmony within the party in the State received a severe check, and as soon as Col. Roosevelt heard the news he issued a statement in which he exhorted himself as a progressive, so far as the New York State situation goes.

The statement follows:

"To the various persons who asked me whether I would accept the position of temporary chairman of the State convention I said that I would do so only if they were sure, after knowing my attitude, that they desired me, because my speech would help if the convention nominated the right kind of a man, on a clear cut, progressive platform, but that it would hurt if either the right kind of a man, or a clear cut progressive platform were nominated, or the right kind of a platform adopted."

Although repudiated today, Roosevelt will not be temporary chairman, after all. The convention delegates themselves will decide who is to open the meeting and deliver the "key note speech."

In the interval between now and September 27, it is expected that the struggle between the progressives and Roosevelt-Hughes forces will be carried into every corner of the State, and that the chief issue will be the primaries for the election of Roosevelt or anti-Roosevelt delegates to the convention.

Whether Mr. Sherman tent his support to the movement which resulted in Col. Roosevelt's defeat has not been established either by the friends of Roosevelt or anti-Roosevelt delegates to the convention.

Wm. L. Ward, of West Chester, national committeeman, who was one of the leaders in the anti-Roosevelt campaign, is quoted as having said that Mr. Sherman knew all about the plan to make him and not Col. Roosevelt the temporary chairman. Others who took part in today's meeting were of the opinion that Mr. Sherman knew nothing of it.

Lloyd C. Griscom, chairman of the New York Republican county committee who presented the Colonel's name today, said tonight:

"I do not know whether today's action by the committee will have any effect on Mr. Roosevelt's attitude during the State campaign. Mr. Roosevelt will be a delegate to the State convention. It seems to me that as the only living ex-president of the United States the party in the State owes him at least the temporary chairmanship. Mr. Taft as far as I know, did not anticipate that Colonel Roosevelt's name would be presented to the committee. If he had known he would have prevented the action that was taken. The selection of Vice-President Sherman cannot be construed as an endorsement of the Taft administration which needed no such endorsement."

Col. Roosevelt took luncheon with Mr. Ward after the meeting. The only thing that is known as to what he said to the national committeeman is that he laughed and told him he understood now why Mr. Ward and other members of the State committee were not anxious to meet him until after today's meeting. Col. Roosevelt had planned to keep in the background as much as possible in the coming election. It was only when he perceived the turn which political affairs were taking that he consented to the use of his name in connection with the temporary chairmanship. Both he and Chairman Woodruff have expressed their hope for a harmonious settlement of the differences between the progressives and the "old guard" but there was no harmony talk among politicians tonight.

SECTION HAND KILLS WIFE.

Negro Says That It Was Accidental; Lying Woman Says It Was With Intent.

(By the Associated Press.)

Petersburg, Va., Aug. 14.—Tom Spencer, a negro section hand on the Norfolk and Western Railway, today at his home at Waverly, shot and probably fatally wounded his wife. Spencer says he took the gun in his hand and the shooting of his wife was accidental. She, however, in a sworn statement declares he shot her with intent to kill her. Spencer is held in jail on a charge of murder.

Here Mr. Cannon halted a real grin split his face from ear to ear. It wasn't a smile, and he didn't even trace to his mouth. With the exception of Danville, Vermilion County, from his mouth. Another bug flew past. Mr. Cannon buried his perfect as Mr. Taft's "bug" of the close, the insurgents for the far turn of the far. Missing the object for his several feet, the "bug" fairly biased away with.

And that report from Beverly was not out by one of the members of my audience that they want to be the organizers of an organization. My club makes Mr. Roosevelt's look like a Wednesday night prayer meeting at a fashionable church on a summer night compared with the human race. The members are the other principal fact that some of them really believe what they say.

The story that Senators Aldrich, Hale and myself were to be thrown out of the party will be found traced to the source by the insurgents with some of the "insurgent" Democrats, whose wishes are father to the thought. You know that a small group of so-called Republicans under the leadership of La Follette, Cummings, Tamm and the other will like nothing better than to gain control of the Republican party. They would like to see the men who stayed faithful through all kinds of storms thrown overboard. They want to be the "captains" so they can make the crew do their bidding. They are trying to misrepresent Mr. Taft. They don't care how they obtain power so long as they get it. Alliances with the Democrats are seeking to do. The Democrats are seeking to do. The Democrats are seeking to do.

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Here the speaker dashed toward his library door. There he dictated an answer to the question: "Will you be a candidate for re-election as Speaker of the next House?" His answer was: "I have been asked that question frequently, especially by our Democratic friends and their practical allies, the followers of La Follette and Cummins. I have answered it but so far the answer, as I gave it and as I now give it to you, has never been published by our friends, the enemy. I am Speaker of the House, elected by a Republican majority four times. I have been in harmony with, and have to the best of my ability co-operated with the Republican majority in the House."

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