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SENSATIONAL CHARGE MADE

Prohibition Convention Opens Up With Attack On Taft, Roosevelt and Old Parties

ROOSEVELT THE WORST

Chairman Howard Declared President Taft Had Surrendered Abjectly to the Liquor Interests—Wilson a "Good Man," He Declares, But so Were McKinley and Harrison and Liquor Traffic Prospered in Their Administrations—Roosevelt Least Desirable of All—Both Old Parties Boss-Ridden and Liquor Controlled.

Atlantic City, N. J., July 10.—A sensational attack on President Taft, Theodore Roosevelt and the republican and democratic parties, marked the beginning of the prohibition convention. Chairman Howard's speech bristled with denunciation of the "boss-ridden, liquor controlled old parties." Howard asserted: "No other president has surrendered more abjectly to the liquor interests than Taft."

Howard asserted that the same interests in control at Chicago dominated the Baltimore convention. While Wilson was termed a "good man," Howard said the prohibitionists "are not here to elect a 'good man,' but to kill the liquor traffic." "McKinley and Harrison were good men," he said, "but they went out of office with the country more saturated with liquor than when they went in."

Howard turned his guns on Roosevelt, saying that by his record, personal utterances and confessed personal habits, he was the least desirable of all. He predicted the ultimate success of the prohibition party.

Outline of Business.

With delegates here from every state the national prohibition convention convened this morning. Today's session was devoted entirely to the address of the temporary chairman, Clinton N. Howard, of Rochester, welcome addresses and routine business of temporary organization. The committees on credentials, platform, etc., were named. Tonight business will be side-tracked and a meeting will be held in honor of the "heroes" of the prohibition cause.

Permanent organization and the adoption of the platform is scheduled for tomorrow. Nominations for presidential and vice-presidential candidates will be made Friday. This afternoon there will be a prohibition parade along the boardwalk and principal streets. Questions relating to women's suffrage, initiative, referendum and recall and a proposed change in the party's name are expected to provoke debate.

FLOYD ALLEN WEPT.

When He Rehearsed Story of Tragedy This Morning.

Wytheville, Va., July 10.—Sobbing like a little child Floyd Allen, one of the leaders of the clan that terrorized Hillsville, presented a picture of despair on the witness stand this morning, when in the trial of his son, Claud, the old man rehearsed again the story of the gruesome tragedy in which he was one of the principal actors.

His wife was present in court. The defense called four witnesses.

SPEAKING IN THE LORIMER CASE

Washington, July 10.—The senate resumed consideration of the Lorimer case. Several anti-Lorimer speeches were made. Before the close of the day Lorimer was expected to be heard in his own defense. The anti-Lorimer forces claim when the vote is taken it will expell the senator by a decisive majority.

All the speeches will be concluded before night, except Lorimer's. Johnston, of Alabama, made a spirited speech in Lorimer's behalf. Johnston conceded the popular demand for Lorimer's unseating, and knew he would be on the unpopular side, but he exclaimed: "I refuse to save myself at the sacrifice of honor." Jones, of Washington, for Lorimer, and Lea, of Tennessee, against Lorimer, were other speakers.

School for Negro Youths.

Washington, July 10.—The president has signed a bill donating 25 acres of government land in Wilmington, N. C., for a school for negro youths.

BOTH LEGS CUT OFF BY SOUTHERN TRAIN

Harvey Fowlkes, a young white man in the employ of the Southern Railway, had both legs nearly cut off in an accident near Garner this afternoon. A force of hands was doing some ditching near Garner, and it is supposed that the man got in the way of the work train. He was brought to Rex Hospital, where an operation will be performed this afternoon.

AIRMEN UNITE FOR SAFETY

Will Not be Forced by Jeers Into Taking Unsafe Flights.

Chicago, July 10.—The American Aviators' Association, founded "to save the lives of remaining American fliers," was organized at the flying field of the Aero Club of Illinois. Permanent organization will be completed July 20, when every aeroplane operator in the United States, licensed or unlicensed, is expected by the Chicago airmen to become affiliated with the organization.

Members pledge themselves not to fly in an aeroplane they do not think safe, regardless of jeers or accusations of cowardice; they agree to seek action through the national aeronautical body against managers or employers who seek to force aviators into unsafe flights, and they have arranged for a mutual exchange of experiences.

Candidates for President National Education Association.

Chicago, July 10.—Miss Grace C. Stranchan, district school superintendent of Brooklyn, and E. T. Fairchild, state superintendent of Topeka, were proposed before the nominating committee as candidates for president of the National Education Association.

EXTENDING GUARD AGAINST THE PLAGUE

Washington, July 10.—The public health service continues spreading the guard lines against the importation of bubonic plague from Cuba and Porto Rico and is extending repressive measures against the disease there. One new case was reported from Porto Rico this morning. From many gulf and Atlantic coast cities the health service officers report the authorities are establishing examinations of arrivals from plague districts and the enforcement of measures to exterminate the rats, plague carriers, and campaigns of disinfection along the water fronts.

RENT FREE WITH EVERY BABY

Paris to Try an Experiment With Workmen's Flats.

Paris, July 10.—Flats in which the birth of every baby frees the tenant from payment of rent, for a quarter following, is an experiment to be tried in the workmen's housing quarters in Paris. There has been considerable difficulty in lodging workmen with large families in this city, and this problem bears a close relation to the vital question of the depopulation of France.

This experiment for encouraging large families will now be tried in four blocks of workmen's flats, built by Charles Stern at Vincennes, an eastern suburb of Paris. These will consist of 109 two, three and four-roomed flats, at rentals of 10 pounds, 13 pounds and 16 pounds sterling, respectively.

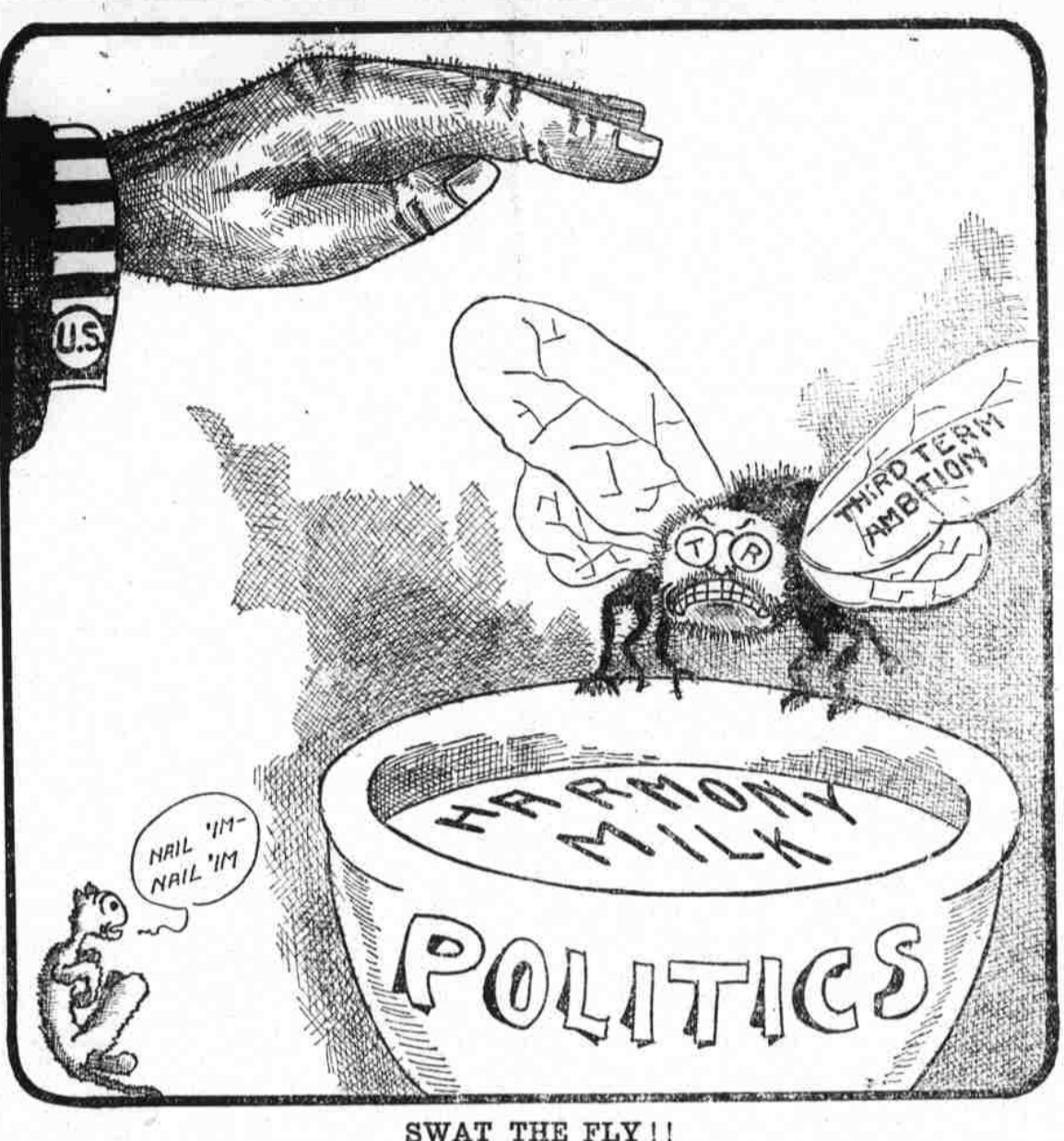
ENGINEER WAS DRUNK

Charles Klapproth, Close Friend of Schroeder, Tells Coroner's Jury of Seeing Him Staggering.

Corning, N. Y., July 10.—That William Schroeder, engineer of the express train which ran into the rear end of Lackawanna passenger train, No. 9, here last Thursday, causing the death of 40 persons in the resulting wreck, was apparently intoxicated within four hours of the time he boarded the engine which he guided to destruction, was the testimony given at the coroner's inquest here by Charles Klapproth, of Elmira, for many years a close personal friend of Schroeder. Klapproth testified that at 12:30 o'clock on the morning of July 4, as he was leaving his place of business in Elmira, he saw Schroeder walking towards him staggering; he remarked to friends who were with him that Schroeder seemed to be intoxicated. Schroeder went on towards his home and Klapproth saw no more of him.

Engineer Schroeder, it was learned, was late in reporting for duty on the day of the wreck. The train was held for him and he started out without testing his engine.

It's a shame to spill milk, but it isn't a crying shame.



TWO CITIES WANT NEXT MEETING OF ELKS

Portland, July 10.—With the election of officers finished, San Francisco and Seattle held undisputed sway in the political field at the convention of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Both cities are urging the claim of each city as a desirable city to visit in 1915, the year of the Panama-Pacific exposition. Proceedings in the grand lodge session today were largely reports of committees and discussion of what disposition should be made of the recommendations. One of the principal discussions surrounded the advisability of rebuilding the National Elks' Home, at Bedford, Va.

MEET IN ROCHESTER NEXT YEAR.

Portland, July 10.—Rochester, N. Y. was selected as the convention city of the Benevolent Protective Order of Elks for 1913. Cincinnati will fight for the 1914 convention.

REPUBLICANS MEET

Sub-Committee Outlines Program for Meeting of Full Committee.

Washington, July 10.—Members of the sub-committee of nine of the republican national committee, conferred with National Chairman Hilles, Representative McKinley and other leaders, and outlined a program which they expected would be followed on June 19th at the New York meeting to select a national treasurer and appoint executive and advisory committees. A pronounced sentiment prevailed to have the progressive element represented on the committees.

TWO GIRLS DROWNED.

Parents of One of the Victims Narrowly Escape Same Fate.

Annapolis, Md., July 10.—Two young girls were drowned and the parents of one of the victims narrowly escaped the same fate while bathing at River View, South river. The victims were: Alma Arthur, 17 years of age, Baltimore. Nellie Miner, 15 years of age, Virginia.

T. R. WILL NOT WITHDRAW

Colonel Roosevelt Characterized as Preposterous the Report of a Petition Being Circulated For Him and Taft.

Oyster Bay, N. Y., July 10.—Preliminary arrangements for the third party movement in New York state were made by Colonel Roosevelt in conference with William H. Hotchkiss, the newly appointed state manager; Timothy L. Woodruff, and a number of upstate men who have cast their fortunes with the former president. Colonel Roosevelt met them in New York, where he spent the day. He said there was nothing he could say at present as to the prospects and that he felt it would be foolish to attempt any prophecies now. Colonel Roosevelt said emphatically that he had no intention of withdrawing. He characterized as "preposterous" the report that peti-

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in courtesy to your friends and for safety to yourself.

SECRETARY PROCTOR SAYS HE WILL ATTEND MEETING.

Secretary Oils of the chamber of commerce has received a very agreeable letter from Mr. E. E. Proctor, of Salisbury, who is the secretary-treasurer of the North Carolina Postoffice Clerks' Association, which is to meet here in state convention next year, at the same time with the North Carolina City Letter Carriers' Association. Mr. Proctor says: "I was unable to be present at our convention this year at Greensboro, but I was for Raleigh all the time, as our meeting place in 1913. The central location of Raleigh, its general convenience and its notable reputation as a convention city make me feel that it is the ideal place. I am happy to say that we will see you July 4-5, 1913."

SENATE INSISTS ON THE TARIFF BOARD

Washington, July 10.—Appropriations of two hundred and fifty thousand dollars for the tariff board and twenty thousand for International waterways commission were restored to the sundry civil bill as it was reported to the senate today. Because of the bubonic plague situation, the house appropriations for the prevention of epidemics by the public health service was increased from one hundred thousand to five hundred thousand dollars.

CLARK WILL VISIT WILSON.

May go Saturday and Underwood Probably Will accompany Him.

Washington, July 10.—Speaker Clark may go to Sea Girt Friday to confer with Governor Wilson. If the house adjourns over Saturday this week, the speaker probably will make the visit then. Clark acknowledged Wilson's invitation and replied that he would visit him as soon as the house business permitted. Underwood may accompany him.

LEVY WILL NOT SELL JEFFERSON HOME

Washington, July 10.—The senate library committee's action yesterday in adopting a resolution for the appointment of a committee to look after the purchase of Monticello, Thomas Jefferson's home, in Albemarle county, Virginia, met with a prompt refusal by the owner to sell the estate. The estate has long been owned by Representative Jefferson Levy, of New York, who inherited it from his family. Levy said: "It will be useless to pass resolutions since I do not intend and will under no circumstances, part with the estate." Agitation for purchasing Monticello, was brought about largely through Mrs. Martin W. Littleton.

AMERICANS WIN MORE VICTORIES

Stockholm, July 10.—The program of the fifth day of the athletic games was full of extremely interesting events. It included trial heats in two hundred metres flat race, final of five thousand metres flat race, semifinals of fifteen hundred metres flat race, pole vault and weight putting. The United States representatives added further to their list of victories.

A new Olympic record was created by P. J. McDonald, Irish-American, with his put of 15 metres, 34 centimetres (slightly over 50 feet, 4 inches), in the final of weight putting.

Five thousand metres flat race, final, Kolehmainen, Finland, first; time, 14 minutes, 46 3-5 seconds. In the fifteen hundred metre flat race, Jackson, of England, the winner, beat the Olympic record easily. Time, three minutes, fifty-six and four-fifths seconds, or 63.5 seconds better than Melvin W. Sheppard's record in 1908.

HOPES TO REGAIN PROPERTY

Much Talked-Of Proceedings Again Thrown Into Court When Suit Against Thomas Sherman Begins All Over.

New York, July 10.—Judge Hand, of the federal district court, allowed the writ of error asked for by John Armstrong Chaloner, so as to bring his suit against Thomas T. Sherman, as a committee to the Chaloner estate before the United States circuit court of appeals for review. Chaloner by means of the suit expressed hope to regain possession of property in Chicago of Sherman as a result of insanity proceedings. Chaloner, who is a member of the Chandler family, but changed his name, is incompetent by decision of the New York courts, but is held to be sane by the courts of Virginia, where he now lives. United States Judge Holt dismissed the suit last March, holding that the federal court was without jurisdiction and that to regain possession of his estate, Chaloner would have to ask the state court to remove Sherman.

BODY OF MASTER CHARLES MEEKINS RECOVERED.

(Special to The Times.)

Elizabeth City, July 10.—The body of Charles Meekins, son of Col. L. M. Meekins, was recovered this morning from the Albemarle Sound in which he was drowned yesterday at noon and it arrived here at 1 o'clock today.

No Relief From Torrid Weather.

Washington, July 10.—No relief from the torrid weather prevailing over the entire eastern half of the country is expected for the next day or two. The hundred degree mark was reached yesterday in Nebraska. In Virginia, North Carolina and South Carolina the temperature was from two to four degrees hotter than on Monday. A man has to spend his next Christmas money on his summer vacation and then next Christmas his next summer vacation money on that, so he's never able to do either.

CASES TRIED TODAY IN SUPERIOR COURT

Algie Healy was found guilty of affray in Superior Court today and sentenced to four months. Ed Harris, indicted at the same time, was found not guilty.

Grover Driver, a young white boy, pleaded guilty to forgery, and was given another chance. He made good to the best of the money obtained and is at \$500.

Tim Andrews was found guilty of larceny and receiving, sentenced to 10 months.

Sam Holmes was given four months for an assault with deadly weapon.

DEADLOCK ON CHINESE LOAN

Bankers Adhere to Demand for European Supervision of Disbursements.

Peking, China, July 10.—A deadlock was reached at a conference between the Chinese minister of finance, Hsiung Hsi-Ling, and the foreign bankers, because of the foreign bankers, because of the formation of the latter to adhere to the decision of the Paris conference.

The proposals formulated by the six-power group provided that the loan must be for \$200,000,000, and that European supervisors should have a certain control over its disbursement, together with other points of minor importance.

No actual rupture has been announced but the finance minister has reserved the right to contract a loan elsewhere. Notes will be exchanged and the situation defined.

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BUSY DAY FOR GOVERNOR WILSON

Atlantic City, July 10.—Governor Wilson faced a busy four-hour program, including laying the cornerstone of the new Y. M. C. A. building, and an address before the Building and Loan Association convention. Wilson met Governor McCrea, of Kentucky, and Commissioner McChord, of the interstate commerce commission, who are staying at the same hotel as Wilson. "Kentucky is strong for you," McCrea told Wilson. James Woodrow, of Columbia, S. C., Wilson's cousin, called. He was invited to visit the governor at Sea Girt. John Wannamaker, the local Y. M. C. A.'s patron escorted the governor to the building site and introduced him to the audience. The governor expects to return to Sea Girt this afternoon.

Fire in Baltimore.

Baltimore, July 10.—Scores of women and children were rescued in their night clothes from fourteen dwellings swept by fire at Arlington suburbs. Anyway, the pinnacle of fame must be an uncomfortable perch to roost on.