

SPEECH TO DOLLAR JIM

Sherman Is Notified That G. O. P. Needs Him—Sutherland's Speech

Utica, N. Y., Aug. 21.—Senator Sutherland of Utah was spokesman for the committee which today notified Vice President James Schoolcraft Sherman of his nomination by the Chicago republican convention.

Most of Senator Sutherland's speech aside from a short declaration of principles of the republican party and a tribute to Mr. Sherman, was composed of caustic references to the progressive party and its recent convention which nominated Colonel Roosevelt and Governor Hiram Johnson for president and vice-president.

"We shall have arrayed against us in the coming campaign our ancient and hereditary enemy, the democratic party," said he. "In addition we shall be called upon to contend with some former associates who have concluded to abandon their amiable custom of firing upon the flag they have been following, in order that they may engage in the more honorable, but no more effective, occupation of assailing it from the front."

"For the next few months our ears are to be filled with the voice of the discontent, strident and many-keyed, calling upon the people to forsake the tried and beaten paths of constitutional government, along which they have walked with pure feet for more than a century, and enter upon personally conducted pilgrimages through the political wilderness to a promised land as shadowy and unsubstantial as a desert mirage."

"The advance agents of this delirious excursion tarried a few days ago at Chicago, long enough to pool their individual grievances, visions and vagaries in a bewildering farago of impractical political nostrums such as never before has been collected at one time outside the violent wards of a madhouse. And thus the so-called progressive party was born, its sole excuse for existence being the unfounded claim that its nominee for the presidency was defeated for a like nomination by stolen votes at the republican convention."

Senator Sutherland briefly reviewed the question of contested delegates at the republican convention with the contention that President Taft's nomination was gotten fairly and honestly. He referred to the published statement that some of the Roosevelt contestants had been set afoot for a psychological effect.

"It would be a strange rule of evidence which would require us to accept the testimony of a buccannering psychologist who confesses to an attempt to purloin the larger portion of an honest man's property, as conclusive evidence of the psychologist's title to the remainder of the

honest man's possessions," he continued.

"There never has been in all history a more unique convention than that of the progressive party at Chicago. Heretofore, when a party has been organized, its organizers have in advance entertained at least a suspicion respecting their principles; but the delegates to this convention, wholly ignorant of the things for which they stood, waited with patiently folded hands, the appearance of Mr. Roosevelt in the convention to tell them what they believed. Upon his appearance he was received with reverent adoration. With a spirit of self abnegation never witnessed since the charge of the light brigade at Balaklava—'Their's not to reason why, their's but to do and die' sort of exaltation,—led by the grand young man from Indiana, devout but tuneful, the assembled vassals proclaimed their joyous intellectual surrender to the feudal lord in the following hymn of driving irresponsibility:

Follow, follow,
We will follow Roosevelt,
Anywhere, everywhere
We will follow him.

Follow, follow,
We will follow Roosevelt,
Anywhere he leads us,
We will follow on.

"All of which being chanted to the ravishing air of that stirring ditty, entitled, 'We don't know where we're going, but we're on our way,' wrought the multitude into such a state of blind and benighted idiocy that authentic information to the effect that the colonel had just waylaid a perfectly respectable minister of the gospel and robbed him of his last month's donations would have brought forth enthusiastic cheers for the colonel and a voice of stern condemnation for the man of God as the representative of a dangerous and iniquitous plutocracy."

"In form two thousand delegates, more or less, gathered in the coliseum; in reality Mr. Roosevelt met in convention at Chicago, made a confession of faith, gave his hand to the colored brother from the north and his foot to the colored brother from the south, adopted a platform, nominated himself and brother Johnson, and adjourned with the ease of a thoroughly trained thimble-rigger plying his vocation among the rural visitors to the midway plaisance."

"The campaign upon which we are about to enter presents issues of more serious moment to the American people than any they have confronted since the grave questions which immediately preceded and accompanied the civil war. The overshadowing question then, was whether the union, under the constitution, could be perpetuated; that which confronts us today is whether the constitution itself, and the government which the constitution established, shall be preserved—a question of . . . if not greater activity, since it would be of little avail to have preserved the union from the chaos of disintegration if the government of the union is to be given over to the chaos of disorganization."

"The party to which we belong, Mr. Vice President, stands in this supreme contest for the independence and integrity of the judicial tribunals of the land, without which the guaranty of life, liberty, and property would be a meaningless platitude. It stands for the settled rule of impersonal government, as opposed to the shifty opportunism of personal manipulation; for the liberty and order of general law, as against the tyranny of special edicts of changing men. It plants itself upon the impregnable ramparts of the constitution, and, solemnly protesting against any subversion of the terms of that great compact by the arrogant and revolutionary process of amendment by misconstruction, appeals from the midsummer madness of that portion of the people which can be fooled all the time to the sober second thought of the great body of the American electorate who will render judgment in November."

CHARLOTTE WIRES DOWN

City Will Have All Wires Put Under Ground—To Work Gold Mine.

(Special to The Times.)
Charlotte, Aug. 21.—City Electrician Connelly has begun a campaign to have all wires in the fire limits go under ground. He will start by taking down the string of lights put up several years ago for decorative illumination purposes and will then turn his attention to the Western Union and Postal wires. The Bell Telephone company officials have signified a willingness to cooperate with the city in clearing the streets of these hindrances to fire fighters, and it is believed that within the next few months Charlotte's streets will present an entirely different appearance.

The Surface Hill Mining and Milling Company of Charlotte has been organized to work the old Surface Hill gold mine, 11 miles east of the city and the promoters are confident that the proposition will be a big paying investment. Mr. R. B. Burs, a miner of 33 years experience, has been investigating the old mine for some time, and he states to your correspondent that Macklenburg county is a real Eldorado for gold miners and has possibilities that surpass even the famous Cripple Creek section of Colorado. This statement is based on a close investigation of mining properties in this section made by himself and his engineer, Prof. E. M. Tucker. The new company will be incorporated with \$500,000 stock and work on the Surface Hill mine will be pushed in a systematic manner.

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SON OF "BIG WHITE FATHER" AND INDIAN CHIEF.
Robert Taft, eldest son of President Taft holding a pow-wow with Chief Big Top at Glacier Park, Mont., where Young Taft, his sister Helen and their party are enjoying themselves immensely, camping in the wilds. Several entertainments were arranged for their benefit by various Indian tribes. War dance was invariably the feature.

MANY WILL ATTEND MEET

Interest In Waterways Association Meeting—Aftermath of Tiger Crusade

(Special to The Times.)
Wilmington, Aug. 21.—The approaching convention of the Atlantic Deepwater Waterways Association to meet in New London, Conn., September 3rd to 6th, inclusive, will be well attended by delegates from North Carolina, says Mr. Meares Harris, the secretary of the North Carolina organization. The Old State has been bestirring itself recently in this regard and a great deal of interest has been manifested.

Another Blind Tiger.
The blind tiger question in this city refuses to stay down. Like a case of measles, when it is cured in one spot, it breaks out in another. Found their hands full in suppressing the sale of beer and whiskey but now that all beer and whiskey sellers are scared stiff and refuse to drop one of the reviving liquid upon the parched tongue of the thirsty public here, and vendors of scuppernon wine have come to the front, and are standing in the glare of the limelight. Several have been found selling less than 2 1/2 gallons allowed by law, and allowing it to be drunk on the premises. They will be tried shortly.

Aftermath of Tiger Crusade.
One of the by-products of the recent crusade against the whiskey men of this city is that a suit for damages will possibly be started against the city of Wilmington by two young men from New Bern. The grounds for the action are that they were confined in a cell and held as witnesses against a tiger, they were not allowed bond, or to communicate with their people, that they were compelled to throw away their clothes on account of the cells being infested with insects, and that they lost their positions by reason of the fact that they were held here. Upon these grounds they will institute suit at once unless the city can make an arrangement whereby need for the suit will be abated.

HE TAUGHT MARK TWAIN RIVER LOVE.

Death of Captain Bixby Recalls Interesting Period in Humorist's Life.
St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 21.—Captain H. E. Bixby, steamboat pilot of the old Mississippi river days, civil war captain and instructor of Mark Twain in river navigation, was found dead in bed at his home here recently. Captain Bixby was born in New York state eighty-six years ago, and long since retired from active life. For ten years prior to the civil war he ran a steamboat on the Ohio and Mississippi rivers, and then quit to become pilot of a gunboat in the federal fleet, which joined in the attack on Memphis and Vicksburg.

Although Captain Bixby's services in the war were not extraordinarily conspicuous, as the instructor of Mark Twain and the original of one of the principal characters in Mr. Clemens' book, "Life on the Mississippi," his fame has been perpetuated through the fifty years since the war. Mr. Clemens paid him \$500, partly in cash and partly in real estate of doubtful value, for the instruction which began in 1852, when Mr. Clemens was seventeen years old. Captain Bixby, according to "WH" M. Clemens, Mark Twain's earliest biographer, gave this description of his meeting with the future author: "In 1852 I was chief pilot on the

Paul Jones, a boat that made occasional trips from Pittsburgh to New Orleans. One day a tall, angular, Hoosier-like young fellow whose limbs appeared to be fastened with leather hinges entered the pilot house and in a peculiar drawing voice said:

"Good maw'nin', sir. Don't you want to take a peart young fellow and learn him how to be a pilot?"
"No, sir; there's more worry about it than it's worth."
"I wish you would, mister, I'm a printer by trade, but it doesn't 'pear to 'gree with me, and I'm on the way to Central America for my health. I believe I'll make a tolerable good pilot, 'cause I like the river."

"What makes you pull your words that way?"
"I don't know, mister; you'll have to ask my ma; she pulls her'n too. Ain't there some way we can fix it so's you'll learn me how to be a pilot?"
"The only way is for money."
"How much you a-going to charge me?"
"I'll teach you the river for \$500."

"Gee whillikens! I ain't got \$500, but I've got five lots in Keokuk, Iowa, and 2,000 acres of land in Tennessee that is worth two bits an acre any time. You can have that if you want it."
"I told him I didn't want his land, and after talking awhile he agreed to pay \$100 in cash, \$150 in twelve months and the balance when he became a pilot. He was with me a long time, but occasionally took trips with other pilots. He was always drawing out dry jokes, but we didn't pay any attention to him."

It was while employed on board Captain Bixby's boat that Mr. Clemens first heard the expression "By the mark, twain," from the lookout, and adopted the last two words as his pen name. It was also with Captain Bixby that young Clemens once had a fight, knocking his opponent down with an iron bar, as told in "Life on the Mississippi."

Mark Twain himself once said of his instructor under Captain Bixby: "The work proved hard and discouraging for the youth, but he finally reached the desired position of pilot, and had the proud satisfaction of receiving \$250 a month."

ESTABLISH MILK DEPOT

Dairymen Will Have Central Plant Handle All Milk.

(Special to The Times.)
Charlotte, Aug. 21.—The establishment of a milk depot in Charlotte, with an accompanying comprehensive delivery wagon, is being planned by a number of the leading dairymen for the county, and at this time there are indications that the plan will become operative within a short time. The idea is to establish a "union station" which will be in the nature of a creamery as well, to which all milk produced by the dairymen in the county shall be brought and from which it can be delivered at a great deal less expense than that which is now being paid by the dairymen. For instance, instead of several wagons going over the same territory, some stopping at one house and some at another, one wagon will be designated for each section. These retail wagons will be kept in the city, too, and milk will be brought to town in bulk.

Last of Saturday night Specials S. A. L. to Portsmouth-Norfolk. Special Train leaves Raleigh 12:30 A. M. Sunday, 25th. Leaves Portsmouth, return 8 P. M. same date.

The Virtuous Wasp.
(From Harper's Weekly.)
Wasps appear to be well-nigh as industrious as ants or bees. One authority has declared that the cardinal doctrine of the wasps is: "If any wasp will not work, neither shall he eat."
Division of labor is clearly seen in the wasp's nest. Some of the workers seem to be specially employed as foragers and soldiers,

as they can gorge of their winged neighbor's honey.
The drones of the wasp would, instead of being idle and luxurious are sober, industrious, well-behaved members of the community. They clean the streets of their town with exemplary diligence, acting as public scavengers or sanitary officers. And they have their reward, for, unlike the bee drones, they live their allotted life in peace and quietness until winter involves both them and their maiden sisters in one common cataclysm of death and destruction.

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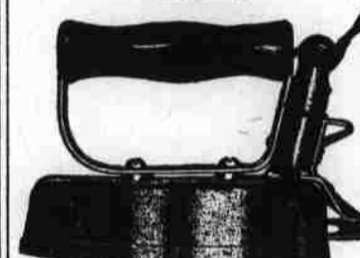
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