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NATIONAL DEM. CONVENTION

In Session at Denver, Colo., This Week. Proposed Bryan Platform With Resolutions Committee.

MAKES ROOSEVELT AN ISSUE

Wants "Predatory Wealth" and "Swollen Fortunes" Dealt With—Centains Anti-Injunction Plank—The Convention programme.

Denver, Col., Special.—The American eagle and the Democratic rooster have vied with each other in giving Denver one of the most lurid Fourth of July in its strenuous existence. Throughout the day streets were ablaze with color, an incessant din of cannon and crackers has mingled with the enthusiasm of arriving political delegations, and long



William J. Bryan.

trains kept over the prairie from every direction adding their thrum and the clatter of fireworks, here. At night the State Capitol and other public buildings loomed out of the darkness in living fire with every outline marked by myriad lights, the streets pulsated with convention thrum and the clatter of fireworks; the hotel lobbies were filled with political leaders, delegates and onlookers from every section of the country. It is estimated that 20,000 strangers are already here and 60,000 more are expected in the next two days.

The arrivals included the Missouri delegation headed by the tall gaunt form of Senator Stone; part of the North Carolina delegation headed by Governor Glenn who promptly retired his candidacy for the vice presidency, and struggling advance guards of many of the other delegations. These included the silver-tongued Southerner, who will be permanent chairman of the convention; Chief Murphy, of Mississippi; and Governor Hasbuck, of Oklahoma, a likely candidate for chairman of the platform committee, are the chief figures of national interest on the ground.

Denver, Special.—The platform committee of the Democratic National Convention has been completed. It follows closely the lines of the Nebraska platform, as written by Mr. Bryan last March, and is one of the shortest enunciations of the kind in the modern political history of the country.

Opening with a sharp challenge to the Republicans for failure to put into their platform specific declarations upholding the policies "professed" by the Roosevelt administration and arranging the party for its retreat from the "advanced position" taken by the "titular" leader during the last four years, the document will contain a fitting reference to the death of Grover Cleveland.

Platform builders at Denver have these subjects approximately as presented above in condensed form to deal with as a basis for their operations.

The Injunction Plank.

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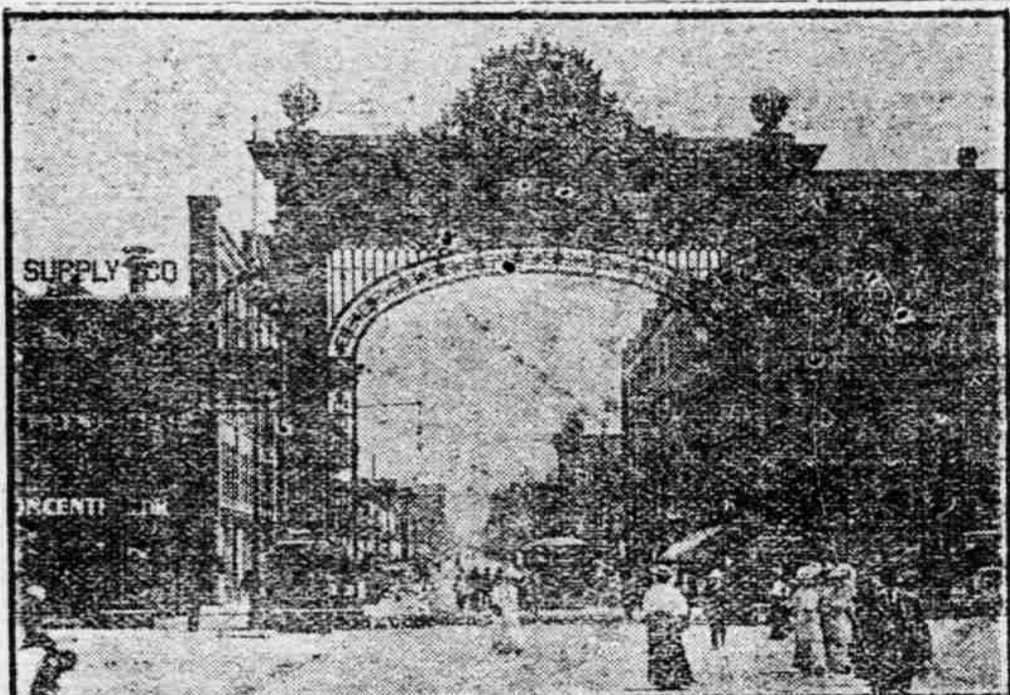
A Leap Year Dilemma.

—From the Washington Star.

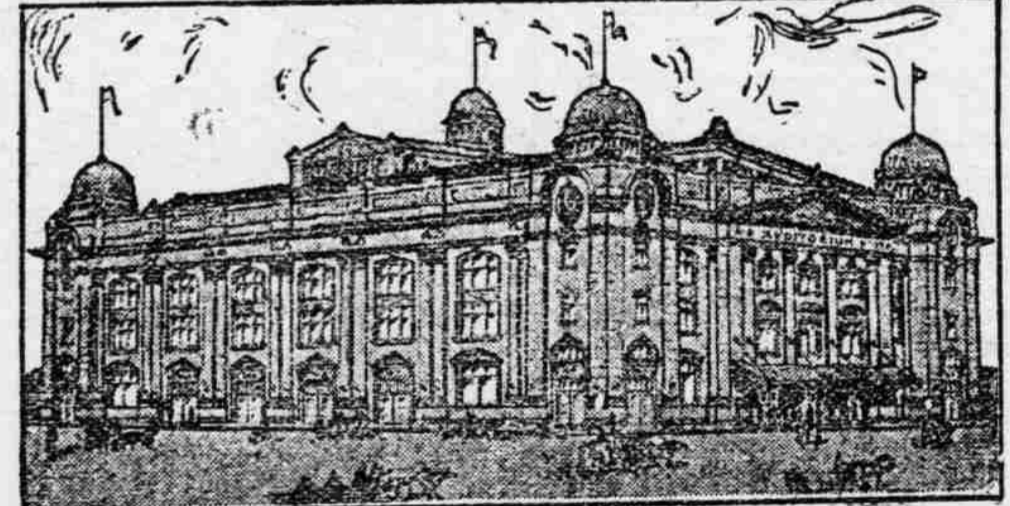
tendency toward compromise than is now manifested the real fight will be over the injunction plank, but the

- Planks of Declaration.
- Scores Republicans for re-treating from "the advanced position" taken by the "titular leader."
- Reaffirms faith in party principles.
- Declares for return to government by the people.
- Urges additional legislation to curb corporations and publicity for campaign contributions.
- Opposes centralization of power.
- Favors election of Senators by direct vote.
- Demands immediate revision of the tariff.
- Comes out strong for an income tax and for means to keep down "swollen fortunes."
- Advocates government control of railroads.
- Declares for postal savings banks and an emergency currency.
- Insists upon a modification of the law relative to injunctions.
- Urges an eight-hour law and other labor legislation.
- Wants Philippine independence recognized.

leaders declare that before the committee on platform is appointed a substantial agreement will have been reached and that the committee will be relieved of the necessity of a prolonged sitting. In Chicago the fight was against the insertion of any injunction plank at all; here all admit the necessity of some declaration



WELCOME ARCH, DENVER, COLO., AT UNION STATION
Which Elased a Welcome to Delegates to the Democratic National Convention.



AUDITORIUM AT DENVER WHERE THE DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL CONVENTION IS BEING HELD.

but many oppose the pronouncement for previous notice in injunction proceedings.

There has been much comminution with Mr. Bryan on this point, but apparently his attitude is not clearly understood, and probably it will not be until his draft of the platform which he is understood to be preparing is read. It is known, however, that he would use stronger language than is employed in the Republican platform. That he is willing to go as far as the Federation of Labor demands none is disposed to say, but his closest friends assert that he does not consider it necessary to make such a sweeping declaration. They say that Mr. Bryan will himself suggest what will be a concession to the conservatives and they predict that in the end his draft will be accepted.

Bryan Insists on Publicity Plank.

Lincoln, Neb., Special.—William J. Bryan, in a speech before the Nebraska Travelling Men's Club Friday night, made the significant statement that unless the Denver Convention incorporated in its platform a campaign contribution publicity plank it might look elsewhere than to Nebraska for a candidate for

New York Celebrates.

New York, Special.—That patriotism has kept pace with the rapid growth of the country during the one hundred and thirty-five years that have elapsed since the signing of the Declaration of Independence was evidenced on Saturday by the noisiest demonstration in history. Blistered fingers and burned clothing characterized the majority of 800,000 or so of the small boys who participated in the celebration here, but oh, what a time they had.

President. The declaration was made in connection with a discussion he indulged in regarding the action of the Republican National Convention in failing to insert such a plank as he said "after President Roosevelt and Mr. Taft had both declared themselves in favor of such action," and was made in the minds of his hearers that he meant all he said.

Split Over Cleveland.

Charging that Alton B. Parker's resolution of tribute to the memory of the late President Grover Cleveland is a clever move on the part of the enemies of William J. Bryan to infuse factional feeling into the national convention, friends of the Nebraskaan are determined to offer a resolution of a character designed not to raise controverted political issues.

All Democrats, without regard to factional affiliations, applaud the suggestion coming from New York that the national convention should embrace the first opportunity of honoring the memory of Mr. Cleveland, but most of those who have expressed themselves on the subject are of the opinion that the resolutions adopted should not contain anything over which there could be the slightest difference of opinion.

Mascot Obtained.

The Democratic party has secured its mascot for the approaching convention. It came in the shape of a Rock Mountain burro, which was presented to Chairman Thomas Taggart of the national committee, by the Denver Times. Mr. Taggart was unaware of the honor intended for him until the animal was ushered into his presence at his headquarters in the third floor of the Brown Hotel. It was duly labeled in large letters in point, one side bearing the inscription:

"My name is Denver; ask me," the expression having reference to a large badge for residents issued by the citizens' committee for the benefit of the strangers, reading: "I live at Denver, ask me." The other side was inscribed: "I belong to Tom Taggart."

of \$500,000. It is a permanent building, but it will be christened by the convention.

THE CONVENTION PROGRAMME.

Sessions on Four Days Provided for, Beginning Tuesday.

Denver, Special.—The committee on arrangements of the national convention met on Friday and completed the order of business for the Convention and for the session of the national committee, to be held on Monday. The Convention programme is outlined for four sessions, beginning Tuesday. This will carry the Convention through to Friday afternoon, unless a fight in committee or on the floor should prolong the deliberations. As already announced, it is proposed that an adjournment shall be taken immediately after the temporary organization is perfected out of respect to the memory of the late Mr. Cleveland, although this feature does not appear on the formal programme. The first day's order of business is as follows:

1. Chairman Taggart of the national committee, calls the Convention to order at noon.

2. Secretary Woodson reads call for Convention.

3. Prayer by Archbishop Jas. J. Keane.

4. Announcement of temporary officers agreed upon by the national committee.

5. Chairman asks for further nominations.

6. No further nominations, the chairman puts question on agreeing to the recommendations of the national committee.

7. Chairman appoints a committee of two delegates to escort Temporary Chairman Theodore A. Bell, of California, to the chair.

8 and 9. Introductions and speech of temporary chairman.

10. Call of States for members of the following committees: Credentials, permanent organization, rules and order of business, platform and resolutions.

11. Probable adjournment or recess.

It is expected that the Cleveland resolution as finally agreed upon will be introduced just before adjournment.

For the second session of the Convention on Wednesday the program calls for the permanent organization, the address of the permanent chairman and the receipt and adoption of committee reports.

The nominations for President will be made Thursday, and it is planned to adjourn after this is settled until Friday morning, when the nominations for vice President will be in order.

JOEL CHANDLER HARRIS DEAD.

Famous Author, Familiarly Known as "Uncle Remus" Passes Away at His Home in Atlanta Editor and Proprietor of Uncle Remus' Magazine.

Atlanta, Special.—Joel Chandler Harris, familiarly known as "Uncle Remus" and an author of note, died at his home in a suburb of this city Friday night. Mr. Harris, whose health had been bad for some time, had only been confined to his bed for about ten days, suffering from pneumonia of the liver. Complication set in and yesterday he grew rapidly worse and continued to sink until the end came at 8 o'clock. Joel Chandler was born in Eatonton, Ga., December 9th, 1848. He was married in 1873 to Miss Essie LaRose, of Canada, and in 1878 moved to Atlanta, joining the staff of The Atlanta Constitution. It was while he was connected with The Constitution that his tales, "Stories by Uncle Remus" first attracted attention. In 1900 Mr. Harris retired from active journalism and until last year, when he became editor and proprietor of Uncle Remus' Magazine, spent most of his time at his suburban home. He is survived by a widow, four sons and two daughters. Mr. Harris was buried in Atlanta.

TO MEET IN CHARLOTTE

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