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NATIONAL DEMOCRATS AT DENVER

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—Contains 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 or arriving political delegations, and long



William J. Bryan.

trains have crept over the prairie from every direction adding their throngs 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 throngs 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 straggling advance guards of many of the other delegations. These with Judge Parker, the Democratic candidate of 1904, Colonel Clayton, of Alabama, the silver-tongued Southerner, he will be permanent chairman of the convention; Chief Murphy, of Tammany Hall, and Governor Haskell, 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 sent here from Lincoln to the resolutions 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.

Unless there is a decidedly greater

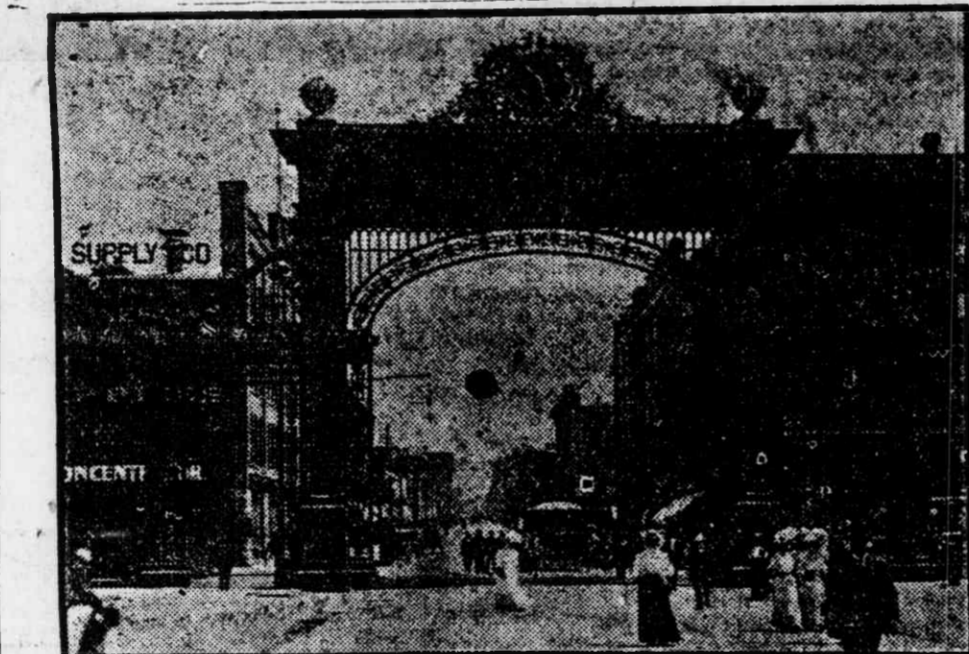


A Leap Year Dilemma. —From the Washington Star.

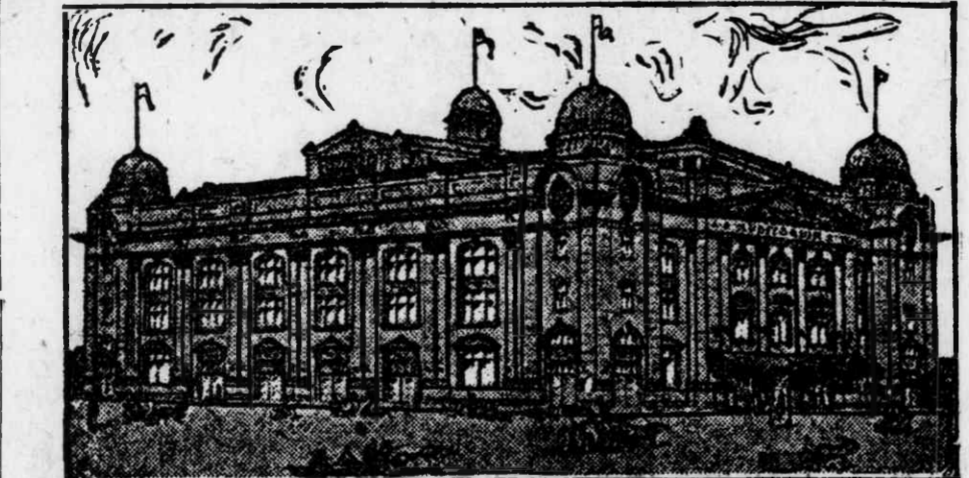
tendency toward compromise than is now manifested the real fight will be over the injunction plank, but the

- Planks of Declaration.
- Scores Republicans for retreating 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 Blazed 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 communion 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

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 with a sincerity that left no doubt 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 Nebraskan 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 paint, 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 committee 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.



Gov. Johnson, of Minnesota.

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 certerrhosis 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 1873 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.

NORTH CAROLINA AFFAIRS

The News of Old North State Gathered and Put in Condensed Form.

Stabbed With a Fork.

Durham, Special.—Joe Carter, a citizen of Roxboro, is under treatment at the Watts Hospital on account of three stabs in the abdomen that he received in his home town last week, the stabbing being done by Lacy Wilson, a Durham young man who is now at work in Roxboro, a fork being used in inflicting the wounds. The condition of Carter is such as to give hope that the wounds will not prove fatal. The wounds, however, are very painful, the prongs of the eating fork entering the cavity of the stomach at three places. It will be several days before the full nature of the wounds can be determined. It was late in the afternoon that the stabbing was done. Wilson and Carter got into a dispute of some nature and the result was that Wilson grabbed a fork off the table at the boarding house and used it. After being stabbed Carter walked for some distance and then fell to the ground. He lost considerable blood on account of the wounds. It is reported here that the fuss and fight occurred on account of a woman who lives in Roxboro.

North Carolina Veterans' Reunion.

Winston-Salem, Special.—The annual reunion of North Carolina Confederate Veterans' Association will be held in this city August 19th and 20th. These dates were definitely decided upon at a joint meeting of the Norfolk Camp and a committee from the board of trade held in the Winston Council chamber last week. A central committee composed of Messrs. F. J. Liippert, R. C. Norfleet, Z. T. Bynum, Maj. T. J. Brown and Dr. J. A. Blum was named. It will require \$3,000 or more to entertain the visitors, as there will be about 1,800 here, and a large portion of the amount was raised at the meeting last week. Dr. R. E. Transom was named as treasurer. The Twin City will provide abundant entertainment for the visitors and promises to give the veterans a good time every minute of their stay in Winston-Salem.

Increase of \$40,000.

Winston-Salem, Special.—There was an increase of forty thousand dollars in the internal revenue receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1908, over the previous year. This means that there were over six hundred thousand more pounds of manufactured tobacco shipped from this city by local manufacturers to the ports of the country than last year. Rev. D. Clay Lily, D. D., who has been making his home in Winston-Salem since his resignation of the pastorate of the First Presbyterian church, will leave the city soon with his family for Kentucky where they go to make their new home.

Balls of Lightning Played Around Sick Bed.

Reidsville, Special.—What came near being a serious accident happened at the home of Mr. S. G. Woods at Purley, when lightning struck the desk telephone in Miss Maud Woods' room and balls of fire played over the room and across the bed where Miss Woods lay sick, even burning three large holes in the bed clothing. Miss Mamie Woods, a sister of the invalid, showed her nerve by cutting the telephone wire with a knife while the lightning was running along it, and even tried to throw the 'phone out of doors. It was fortunate indeed that no one was hurt.

Cotton Mill Operative Loses a Finger.

Durham, Special.—Emmett Johnson, a young white man who has been working for the East Durham Cotton Mill for a short while, was painfully hurt late Thursday afternoon. He was at work on one of the machines when his hand was caught and the third finger on the left hand practically mashed off.

Big Robbery in Asheville.

Asheville, Special.—Morris Gross, of New York, who with Mrs. Gross, is stopping here for a few days en route to the Pacific Coast to take a steamer for the Orient was robbed of over ten thousand dollars. Gross had the pocket book with the money in his possession at night. In the morning it was gone. The book contained nine \$50 bills and a letter of credit for two thousand pounds sterling bought by Gross in New York before starting for the Orient. Detectives are at work on the case.

A Tragedy in Raleigh.

Raleigh, Special.—B. M. Stultz, a Seaboard engineer, whose wife and six children live at Roanoke, was shot by Turner Smith, an eighteen-year-old boy, and died an hour later, having bled to death. Stultz was attempting to enter or had entered the home of Smith, for the purpose of visiting the sister of the boy, who had fired at the man earlier in the night. The tragedy occurred at 2:25, and Stultz, mortally wounded, walked a distance of four hundred yards and fell in a heap at the Seaboard station, and despite the efforts of physicians, expired at 3 o'clock. The dead man was scheduled to go out with train No. 81 at 3 o'clock, and had on his overalls when found. Smith surrendered and is in the guard house. An inquest will be held later and it is probable that the boy will be exonerated.

Warehouse for Charlotte.

Charlotte, Special.—The plan recently promulgated by the local Farmers' Union to secure funds to erect a system of warehouses in the county this fall is meeting with general favor among the farmers. There was a meeting Thursday of the committee appointed to draft a plan and work will begin at once upon securing subscriptions. The proposition is to erect one central warehouse in the city with a capacity of at least 2,000 bales and then other smaller houses in other localities throughout the county. The purpose of such a system is to enable weak farmers to keep their cotton off the market in the early fall when the price is depressed. It is believed that the company which will be formed to operate such a concern will be amply strong enough to manage it successfully.

Prof. Thompson Re-Elected.

Statesville, Special.—Prof. D. Matt Thompson, who has had charge of the Statesville graded schools for years and has managed the institution entirely satisfactory, has again been elected superintendent for another year, and the following named have been selected members of the faculty of the school for the next session: Prof. H. E. Craven, principal; Misses Kate Finley, Annie Lois Henly, Claudia Poindexter, Edna Brooks, Jessie Massey, Lottie Glass, Clara Gillon, Elinor Murr, Lottie Linton, Nell Armfield and Lula Craven. Miss Armfield of Statesville, and Miss Craven of Concord are the only new members of the faculty.

Many Applications for School Superintendency.

High Point, Special.—The school board had a meeting to select a man to succeed Dr. George H. Crowell, resigned, to fill the superintendency of the High Point graded schools. There was quite a number of applications which have been boiled down to six and from which the school board will make a selection some time this week. Dr. Crowell goes to Epworth University, Oklahoma City, Okla., to which he has been elected vice chancellor.

To Serve Second Sentence.

Greensboro, Special.—T. M. Angell, convicted four years ago of defrauding the government out of a hundred thousand dollars, has been taken to the Atlanta penitentiary to serve a second sentence of four years for defrauding the government out of two hundred thousand dollars which has still to be served.

Tar Heel Notes.

The State convention of dentists met in Charlotte last week and had an interesting session.

The rural letter carriers had their meeting in Wilmington Friday and Saturday.

The superintendent of the third division of the Seaboard Air-Line has moved his offices to Monroe.

Sabbath School Institute Held at Aberdeen.

Aberdeen, Special.—The third annual meeting of the Western District Sabbath School Institute of Fayetteville Presbytery has been in session here since Monday morning. The institute, under the management of Rev. J. B. Carpenter, field secretary and Rev. J. K. Roberts, schools in Fayetteville Presbytery, is by far the most successful and instructive that has ever been held. Rev. Messrs. Carpenter and Roberts are experienced and expert in Sabbath school work.