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LARGE VOLUME OF WORK

NATIONAL COUNCIL DISPATCHING BUSINESS.

The Parade Yesterday Afternoon --Report on Matters of Finance—National Organizer's Work—Council Notes.

The National Council Junior Order United American Mechanics assembled at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, National Councilor Kibbe presiding.

The Credentials committee reported additional delegates in waiting, who were admitted in due form.

The report of the finance committee, which was under consideration at adjournment Monday afternoon, was taken up. The estimated receipts of the ensuing year are $28,000 and the estimated expenses are $21,000. The balance on hand is $10,000 in the general fund, and $5,000 in the organizing fund.

This report was still under discussion when the body adjourned at 5 p. m.

The Parade.

At 5:15 the parade formed on Patton avenue as follows: Skyland band, Asheville Light Infantry, Lieutenant Wagner commanding; carriage drawn by four horses, containing four little girls bearing the American flag and Holy Bible; National Council, numbering 85 and led by the first National Councilor of the Order, John W. Calver of Philadelphia; Asheville Council, No. 6.

The line extended from the postoffice beyond the square, and was an inspiring sight. Each member of the Order carried an American flag, and such an array of its bright hues was never before seen in Asheville, and will not be soon forgotten. At every point where the American flag was displayed, the members cheered, and some ladies who waved flags from a window on Patton avenue, evoked cheers from end to end of the line.

Six members of the local council carried a large American flag—8x15 feet—followed by the council. The effect was very pretty, as was that of the flag and open Bible borne by the little girls. The foundations upon which the Order builds are the American flag and the Holy Bible.

The procession paraded the principal streets and was disbanded at the square. There the members of the National body gave three cheers for the Asheville Light Infantry, who immediately responded. Then followed three cheers for the little occupants of the carriage, and finally three for "Old Glory," all of which were given with a will.

The parade gave Asheville's citizens an excellent opportunity to judge of the personnel of this body. Seldom, if ever, is there seen a finer body of men. The affair was a success, and was highly creditable to all concerned.

Today's Session.

National Councilor Kibbe called the the body to order at 9:15 o'clock this morning.

The report of the Finance committee, which was under consideration at the hour of adjournment yesterday afternoon, was taken up. The sum of $1,200 was appropriated to be divided between the American of Pittsburg, Junior American Mechanic of Philadelphia, and the Southern Patriot of Richmond. The report was finally approved.

Resolutions were adopted by a rising vote extending the sympathy of the body to the family of National Representative Walters of New Jersey, who died yesterday afternoon, and the National Secretary was instructed to wire the same at once. Mr. Walters was a member of the late New Jersey legislature, and led the fight in the reform legislation which resulted in the defeat of Thompson, of race track fame. Under the lead of Mr. Walters, 28 bills of a reform character were passed, and New Jersey now claims, as a result, the best school laws and provisions of any State in the Union. Mr. Walters' death is deeply regretted.

The Ritual committee and the committee on Public Forms and Ceremonies will report at a session to be held this evening, at which time the proposed new ritual will be exemplified.

National Organizer Collins presented his report, giving a detailed resume of his year's work, covering much of the territory in the West and Northwest and in Texas, Georgia and Tennessee. The report was approved unanimously.

The Orphans' Home committee—Past National Councilor Elbert, chairman—then reported. It showed, among other things, the sum of $3,700 pledged to the enterprise. It is proposed to select a site during the coming year, and to commence work as soon as possible. The report was approved and the committee continued.

The report of the Law committee was then taken up, approved and adopted.

The committee on Revision of Laws reported. Their work was under discussion when the body adjourned at 1:30, and will perhaps consume the afternoon session.

Council Notes.

It is the consensus of opinion that the National Council has never been better treated than in Asheville.

A vast amount of business was transacted today, and this evening's session will still further add to the volume.

Pictures of National Secretary Deemer and Past State Councilor Shaler appear on the third page of THE CITIZEN today.

A basket of lovely flowers was sent in this morning by the Idlewild Floral company. They were received with thanks and applause.

The visitors are free in their praises of the management of the Battery Park hotel, and Manager McKissick has added to his list of friends.

THE CITIZEN's reports of the sessions are brief because, necessarily, the bulk of the business transacted cannot be made public; therefore, the work being done cannot be judged by what may appear in these reports.

Cash in the Treasury.

WASHINGTON, June 18.—Cash balance in the treasury today, $115,284,746, of which $68,484,446 was gold reserve. Advices from New York state that $1,500,000 in gold was engaged for export, of which $1,000,000 was taken from the sub-treasury. This leaves the true amount of gold reserve $67,484,446.

Nominations.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—The president has sent to the Senate the nomination of Wm. H. Murdough of Virginia, supervising inspector of steam vessels for the third district; Wm. D. Bigler, assistant treasurer, Philadelphia.

CORNER IN COAL.

Huge Conspiracy Said to Have Been Unearthed at Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, June 21.—A gigantic conspiracy to corner the coal market by bribing striking coal miners has developed here. Large holders of coal in Chicago sent an agent to this city to engineer the scheme, and he offered the miners $10,000 to stay out until October. June 9 Mayor Montgomery of Montgomery City, W. Va., received the following telegram:

"Keep miners out at all hazards unless they get price. Will furnish $10,000 in provisions and meet you in Cincinnati any time."

Mayor Montgomery arranged to meet the Chicago agent here. With Montgomery came Mayor William Sharp of the Forest Hill mines, Capt. Enoch Couch, of Charleston, and several Kanawha Valley miners. Before leaving home Montgomery telegraphed ahead to the miners, stating that he would lay the Chicago proposition before them last night. The plan is for the Hocking Valley miners to stay out also. Operators threaten prosecution to the full extent of the law for conspiracy. Before leaving Montgomery said:

"There is no limit to the amount of money Chicago people are willing to spend. Their representative tendered me a certified check for $10,000. He said there would be plenty more money for the miners, and he would have given me $100,000 for myself if I had agreed to engineer the thing through."

Operators of the Chesapeake and Ohio and New River coal fields are affected. The names of the speculators are unknown here.

RAMAPO PREFERRED.

The Great Suburban Handicap This Afternoon.

NEW YORK, June 21.—The 11th race for the suburban handicap, the greatest event of the year in the estimation of the general public will be run at Sheepshead bay track this afternoon. A field of an even dozen horses is promised for the event and though Clafford and Lamplighter are not of that dozen, their absence will not prevent a good contest. Ramapo will go to the post a prime favorite. Henry of Navarre will be well backed. The general belief is that the race will lie between Ramapo, Henry of Navarre and Sir Walter, and that is the way a majority of the people pick them to finish the race.

Betting on the race at noon was as follows: Ramapo 8 to 5, Sir Walter 3 to 1, Henry of Navarre 4 to 1, Don Alonzo 5 to 1, Banquet 5 to 1, Sport 8 to 1, and other entries from 10 to 1 to 40 to 1.

Pickpocket has been scratched.

RAILWAY CONSOLIDATION.

It Is Along The Line of The Probabilities.

ATLANTA, Ga., June 21.—It is reported here that a gigantic consolidation of railroad interests in the South is contemplated. The new company, it is stated, will comprise the Richmond and Danville, the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia and the Cincinnati Southern systems.

The Central railroad of Georgia is already practically under control of the newly organized Richmond and Danville system, and the Georgia and Atlanta and West Point roads, while seemingly under independent management, are really controlled through the Georgia Central and the Louisville and Nashville roads. This will leave but three roads of the ten entering Atlanta outside of the Southern railway company. The time fixed for the consolidation is shortly before October first.

IN A BURNING MINE.

Terrible Disaster Near Birmingham—Blown Up.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., June 21.—At Louisburg yesterday a coal mine took fire and 100 men were imprisoned. Four have been taken out dead. Fifty of those rescued asphyxiated are now prostrated. Many are in a critical condition and a number of deaths are expected. Two men are still missing and are supposed to be dead. The fire is still raging.

Unknown persons placed dynamite under a negro tenement house at Warrior at 3 o'clock this morning and blew it up. No one was killed, but six men were seriously injured. The negroes had recently taken the places of strikers at the mines.

SOUTHERN BUSINESS MEN.

They Meet in New York to Discuss Ways and Means.

NEW YORK, June 21.—A large number of Southern business men, selected by various governors, boards of trade and chambers of commerce throughout the South, met today at the Fifth Avenue hotel in order to discuss the subject of Southern trade and development with New York business men who are financially interested in these matters. The meeting was called by Gen. S. B. Dyer, president of the Southern immigration and industrial congress held at Augusta recently.

THE SWITCH OPEN.

Freight And Passenger Train Purposely Wrecked.

AUGUSTA, Ga., June 21.—The Central train from Savannah was wrecked last night two miles from Miller. Cross ties had been placed on the track and the switch left open. Engineer Star was probably fatally injured, Fireman Rahner had a leg broken, and was otherwise hurt, and eight passenger and freight cars left the track.

Worse Than Africa.

CINCINNATI, O., June 21.—Rev. B. B. Swartzbar, native of Morocco and a member of the Livingston exploring party in Africa, was arrested here yesterday on a charge of murder committed two years ago in Chattanooga. After being locked up he managed to cut his throat and now lies in a critical condition.

Rev. Dr. Paxton Fined.

NEW YORK, June 18.—Rev. Dr. John B. Paxton today paid a fine of $10 for neglecting to record the certificate of the marriage of Congressman W. C. P. Breckinridge and Mrs. Wing, which he celebrated in April, 1893.

HILL ON THE INCOME TAX

HE SAYS IT IS A POPULISTIC MEASURE.

Accuses President Cleveland and The Senate of Violating Pledges Of The Chicago Platform—The State Bank Tax.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—In the Senate at 10:30, the tariff bill was taken up, the pending question being on the income tax sections. Senator Hill of New York addressed the Senate in opposition to the tax.

He began his remarks by announcing that "we have now reached consideration of one of the most important features of the pending measure; important not only because of the tax which it seeks to impose, which equals in the aggregate about one-fifteenth of the whole federal taxation of the United States, but because of the peculiar nature of the burden, as well as the vast and varied interests which it injuriously affects."

Hill alluded to his previous speech at the opening of the debate, "at that time, said the Senator "whereof the memory of man runneth not to the contrary," when he opposed the pending measure, and he also referred to the speech on the same side by the junior Senator from New Jersey, Mr. Smith. The arguments then advanced had been evaded, not refuted. Discussing the proposition from the standpoint of expediency alone, he declared there was enough of honest difference in the party relating to details of the tariff bill without arousing farther contention by this, at least experimental, scheme of taxation. It would have been wise statesmanship to have avoided this unnecessary issue.

"Prudence dictates," said Hill, "that this Congress should not attempt to formulate new Democratic doctrines to which we have never been committed, but rather carry out the pledges we have already made." Hill believed it was the solemn duty of a political party to redeem the promises upon which it obtained power and on this point he referred to the President nominating and the Senate confirming officers for the territories and the District of Columbia who were non-residents thereof, in violation of the principle of home rule and the explicit provisions of the Chicago platform. He referred to the refusal of the House to repeal the federal tax upon State bank circulation, such repeal having been expressly favored in the national platform; while the same House went out of its way to inject the populistic income tax into the Democratic tariff bill, "and," he said, "we are now asked to ratify that portion of such inconsistent action."

"For one," said the Senator, "I protest against the repudiation of the promises of the Democratic party in order to adopt and carry out the promises of the populist party. The income tax is a war tax; it has never been approved by vote of the people and there is no genuine emergency calling for its adoption. It is unfair to those who might desire to support the main features of the appropriation or tariff measure to be obliged to accept a questionable provision foreign to the principal subject matter of the bill itself; or else to record themselves in opposition to the whole bill. If the Democratic Congress is to be permitted to repudiate well established Democratic principles and to enunciate new ones without the sanction of the national convention and to compel their support as a test of the party fealty, we may next expect to hear of the adoption in the tariff or appropriation bill of Henry George's single tax theory or a provision abolishing all custom houses and resorting to federal taxation instead of tariff for revenue, or providing for the assumption of government control and management of all telegraphs, railroads and banks of the country, or the adoption of any other wild and visionary scheme of socialism with the paternalism, or populism which the majority may see fit to sanction."

It took Hill two and three-quarter hours to read his speech. It was well understood, he said in conclusion, that the Senators intended to vote on the income tax sections not according to their convictions, but according to the decree of the party caucus. He trusted that such a humiliating spectacle would not be witnessed. It was even boasted by some, he said, that the income tax was the best feature of the tariff bill. If that were so, then he could only say in the emphatic language of the Senator from New Jersey, Smith: "God help the Democratic party."

CRISP NOT ON DECK.

The House Working on The Anti Option Bill.

WASHINGTON, June 21.—Speaker Crisp was still unable to discharge his duties today and Representative Bailey again took the chair.

Several bills passed under requests for unanimous consent.

At 1 o'clock the House proceeded, in committee of the whole, to consider the anti-option bill, Grosvenor being the first speaker. He advocated passage of the bill.

Troops Needed.

HARRISBURG, Pa., June 21.—The fifth and sixteenth regiments and the Sheridan troops have been called out by Governor Pattison for service in Jefferson county.

Civil Marriage Bill Passed.

BUDA PESTH, June 21.—The House of Magnates has passed the civil marriage bill by a majority of three.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

At a meeting of English Lords, under the Presidency of the Duke of Westminister, $25,000 was voted for a campaign against the disestablishment of the Welsh church.

British yacht builders admit, after seeing the Vigilant, that designers over there have much to learn from designers here.

Congressman Turner was renominated for Congress by eleventh district Georgia Democrats.

An interesting rumor in Catholic circles is that Archbishop Ireland has been made a cardinal.

Cambridge has conferred the honorary degree of LL. D. on Capt. Mahan, U. S. N.

The duty on coffee has been reduced one-third by the Costa Rica government.

Over 1,500 men in Ironwood, Mich., are out on a strike.