

CANDIDATES ARE PULLING WIRES OUTSIDE WHILE THE CONVENTION WORKS INSIDE

Contest For Secretary of the Association Overshadows All Others, Even Contest For Presidency. Missouri in Desperate Struggle With Indiana For the Position

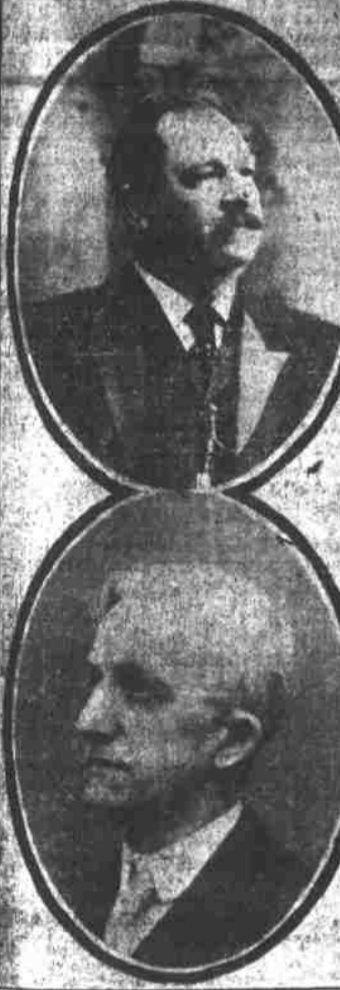
REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ARE INTERESTING READING

Take Broad View of Large Public Questions, And Make Important Recommendations as to Matters of National Interest

The thorough organization of the T. P. A. was shown yesterday by the dispatch and thoroughness with which it disposed of much business in the morning and afternoon sessions. The capacity of its hard working members to enjoy play after labor was in evidence at the brilliant ball given them at the Battery Park hotel last night. It was a day of results as well as pleasure.

Not all the work is confined to the convention hall for there are constant meetings of committees on whom the convention relies greatly and because of which it accomplishes results, and even more of live interest is the exciting contest going on concerning the selection of a secretary, the contest being between Secretary Louis LaBoume of St. Louis and Schuyler T.

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TODAY'S PROGRAM.

9.30 a. m.	Business session.
11 a. m.	Ladies' trolley ride.
2.30 p. m.	Business session.
4 p. m.	Memorial service.
8.30 p. m.	T. P. A. night at Auditorium.

Resolved, That this convention adopt the following:

"The Travelers' Protective association in convention assembled, representing forty thousand commercial travelers, respectfully petition congress for immediate action upon the tariff question, believing that its early consummation will promote great awakening of the best interests of our country."

"Be it furthermore resolved, That a copy of this resolution be at once telegraphed to the vice-president of the United States and the speaker of the house of representatives."

Committee Report.

Yesterday morning's session was devoted to the reading of the report of amendment in the preface by Mr. Fisher of Oregon was accepted by the mover as was one by Mr. Rubin of

FRANK R. CRANDALL,
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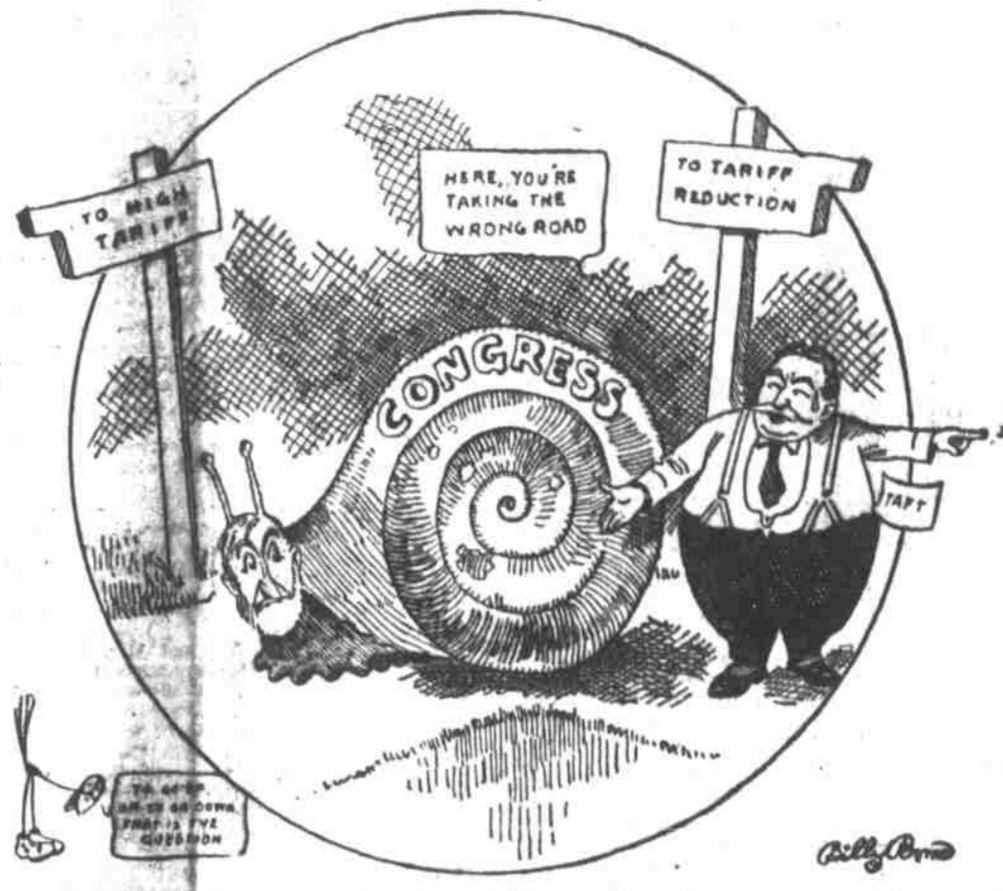
and for ten years was manager of the Indianapolis school board.

The friends of W. E. Jenkins of Maryland are supporting him for appointment as chairman of the legislative committee to succeed John S. Harwood, resigned, while Virginia is backing Julian Williams of Alexandria, Va. This place is also somewhat subject to the contest.

Next Meeting Place.

And the selection of the next meeting place is also involved in the contest for the place of secretary. Philadelphia, Chattanooga, Portland, Omaha and Salt Lake are candidates, but it is agreed that the vote for secretary will decide this matter. It is said that Missouri is supporting Chattanooga while the "Indiana faction" is alleged to favor Portland or Denver. But everything in this line depends on the support accorded the two candidates for secretary.

The Snail's Quandary.



FAMOUS BADGER FIGHT CAME OFF LAST NIGHT AT THE AUDITORIUM

T. P. A.'s and Their Victims Gathered in Force to See Ferocious Bull Dog Disturb the Atmosphere With an Unresisting Badger—Excitement Ran High and Heavy Odds Were Laid on Dog. Indiana Man Pulls the String.



Did you see the badger fight? Well you missed it, if you did not. It was great to say the least. The badger was there and a peck for specimen of a badger at that. A badger that was able to fight and hold his own with the dog. But then why mention those trivial things when there are so many other interesting things to mention that mark the fight as one of the chief events of the Asheville—thanks to Joe Booth (do not forget the major, nor the New York delegation who acted their parts like old time tragedians). But to go back. They were all there—people from every state and clime and they had money with them too. There was a great deal of the coin of the realm in evidence and a judge from Arkansas by the name of Martin was willing to put up quite a lot of it at once and on the badger too. That was the funny part of it. They were all there, from California to Maine and the gulf and they were in earnest to get the right tip on the betting.

Crowd Gathers.

Now to come down to the particulars of the much talked of badger fight. The crowd began to assemble about ten-thirty at the Auditorium for the fray! Some came in full dress, some in white flannel and some in every day dress. The betting began at once and was lively. The odds on the dog and it was hard to get bets on the badger. The dog was there and he was a fine specimen of dog flesh weighing more than a hundred pounds. This no doubt influenced many of those who had a little spare money. Mr. Chas. G. Lee was there and took a quiet interest in the affair. The badger was not seen until after the curtain was drawn up and then it was hid under a box. The betting started at three to one and lots of promises were recorded. No money was taken as that was against the law and you know the T. P. A. would not in such an important affair as a badger fight break the law in even one iota—no, not the knights of the grip, their word was as good as their bond and it proved so, too.

Now after the betting had gone on quite a while the lights flashed and the curtain went up amid much Missouri cheering. Several men appeared on the stage and chief among them was major Joe Booth who owned the badger. At once they began to argue over the judge and referee. No man should hold the important post of judge or referee who had placed any of his long green and necessary whorlwhal' on this fight. The name of Miller was called for judge and referee but then he had as much as twenty-five up so he could not serve. Judge Martin of Arkansas did some tall talking about this time and Miller was not to be judge.

Heavy Bets.

They then continued the betting for the last time and several more bets were recorded and only recorded, mark you.

And then the fight. One Joe Cain by name who hails from New Albany, Indiana, had consented to release the badger. It is said in the word, for in

this exegesis it means pulling the rope. They had asked Mr. C. C. Hudson of New York who was a member of the committee, but Mr. Hudson, sq., declined to act, so that position of honor was given to Mr. Joe Cain of Indiana.

Cain to the Rescue.

At a quarter past eleven the betting stopped and every one was on the quiver for the fray. The stage was filled with men and the dog was there. He was held back by many force from the case of the badger and the affair was to come off. Mr. Cain took off his coat and pulled up his trousers. It was a serious moment in the history of the badger fight. All were alert. A few bets were made at the last moment and the rope was about to be pulled which would release the badger and the fight would be on. The doors were locked and the guards on the outside watched for police or members of the S. P. C. A. The fight was to come off. Mr. Cain stood at the end of the rope ready to pull when Major Booth counted three. The audience became quiet. All betting had stopped. A pin could be heard to fall. The voice of the major resounded throughout the auditorium calling, "One." In a moment "Two," then "Three" and then the Hon. Mr. Joe Cain of New Albany, Indiana, pulled the rope.

If you want to know more about the badger fight as it happened ask Mr. Cain. He can tell you much better than any one else. There was much applause and cheering as the rope was pulled and suffice it to say nobody was arrested.

Shortly before noon, United States Marshal Dunlap, of the east Tennessee district brought the prisoners to the court and they were assigned seats in the rear of the room. When the judges had taken their accustomed places, Chief Justice Fuller beckoned to the defendants to come forward. Marshal Wright, of the court, announced that in obedience to the writ of attachment he produced the bodies of the defendants.

NEGRO GLAMOR SAT SUPREME COURT ON SHIPP'S PENALTY

Great Interest in Sentencing of Tenn. Sheriff Charged With Contempt

DEFENDANTS ASK FOR REHEARING

Request Is Granted In spite of The Protest of the Government Attorney

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, June 1.—In the cases of former Sheriff Shipp and his deputies, Jeremiah Gibson, and of Luther Williams, Nick Nolan, Henry Padgett, and William Mayer, all of Chattanooga, Tennessee, charged with contempt of the Supreme court of the United States, in connection with the lynching in 1905, of a negro named Ed Johnson, the court today postponed the passing of a sentence to permit the prisoners to file petitions for a rehearing. The cases therefore go over until next term, the prisoners remaining out on bond.

The corridor outside the court room was densely crowded with persons wishing to get a view of the six principals. Only a few of them, however, were able to get inside as the space was almost entirely taken up by attorneys and congressmen, including the delegation from Tennessee. In the throng outside was a negro who was loud in his charges of discrimination regarding admission. It was observed that but two negroes, and they practicing attorneys, were in the court.

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BIG MOTOR CARS LEAVE ON ENDURANCE RUN OF FOUR THOUSAND MILES

Long Drive from Gotham to Seattle for the \$2000 Trophy.

MAYOR STARTS RACE

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, June 1.—Five motor cars competing for a \$2,000 trophy offered by M. Robert Guggenheim started from the New York city hall on a 4,000 mile endurance run to Seattle. Mayor McEllan sent them away with a gold-mounted starting pistol at 3 o'clock precisely the instant that President Taft pressed the button in Washington that officially opened the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition in Seattle.

The cars:

No. 1, 15-horse power Ford runabout, Frank Kulick, driver, H. B. Harper, relief.

No. 2, 15-horse power Ford runabout, B. W. Scott, driver, C. J. Smith, relief.

No. 4, 50-horse power Acme, George Salesman, driver, Jerry Price, Fay R. Sheets, and J. A. Hemstreet, relief.

No. 5, 40-horse power Shawmut, F. A. Pettigill, driver, C. H. Chapin and E. H. Mosser, reliefs.

No. 6, 45-horse power Itala, Gus Leebel, driver, Albert Bellows and F. B. Whittemore, reliefs.

At the last moment a Stearns car withdrew. There were originally thirteen entrants.

KILLED BY BOLT FROM CLEAR SKY

(By Associated Press.)

AUGUST, Ga., June 1.—A special to The Chronicle from Anderson, S. C., says a bolt of lightning that came from an apparently cloudless sky late today killed Jim Byrd, a negro plow hand on the plantation of Mr. J. A. Clinkcales, south of Anderson, and also the fine mule he was working. Sam Clinkcales, the young son of Mr. J. A. Clinkcales, who was plowing two hundred yards away, was knocked down. His mule was also knocked down by the bolt.

"DE KING IS HOIT."

MADRID, June 1.—King Alfonso, while playing polo today, fell from his horse. He suffered a severe sprain of the ankle.

MRS. GEORGE SHEA OF DULUTH LOSES LARGE SUM

She Hid \$20,000 Between the Sheets and Now She Believes in Banks.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 1.—Mrs. George Shea of Duluth, Minn., reported to the police last midnight that she had been robbed of \$20,000 in currency. Mrs. Shea intended to invest the money in property here.

Her husband shipped the money to her by the Great Northern Express company which delivered the package to her on Thursday. Yesterday Mrs. Shea on leaving her sister's residence hid the \$20,000 between the sheets of a bed. On returning home at night she found burglars had ransacked the house and stolen the treasure.

NORTH CAROLINIAN DEAD.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—Captain Frank Erwin, aged seventy, a native of North Carolina, and a captain in the Confederate army, died here today. He was an employe of the post-office department.



WASHINGTON, June 1.—Forecast, North Carolina: Fair Wednesday and Thursday light variable winds.

NO INJUNCTION WILL STOP ORGANIZATION

Vice Chancellor Garrison Removes Obstacles from Path of Southern Steel.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, June 1.—Vice Chancellor Garrison of Jersey City, today refused to grant an injunction restraining the organization committee of the Southern Steel company from proceeding with the organization of the Southern Iron and Steel company. The court dismissed the order to show cause which was obtained by Harrison H. Schuler, a minority stockholder.

The Southern Steel company is an Alabama corporation and was run independently of the steel trust. The 1907 panic put it in bankruptcy court and to adjust its affairs the re-organization committee comprising the holders of the \$3,000,000 first mortgage bonds, was appointed. A plan was formulated for organizing a new corporation to be known as the Southern Iron and Steel company. A majority of the stockholders approved the plan and the company was incorporated under the laws of New Jersey, with a capital of \$27,000,000 to take over the assets of the old concern. The plan may now proceed.

COMMISSION LOSES.

WASHINGTON, June 1.—The test case of the Southern Railway against the interstate commerce commission involving the right of the commission to fix the charge for the re-shipment of hay shipped through East St. Louis was decided today by the Supreme court against the commission.

COPPER OFFICIAL IS TAKEN TO THE TOMBS

He Must Stay in Durance Vile Until Missing Books Are Recovered.

NEW YORK, June 1.—George Baglin, vice president of the United Copper company was taken to the Tombs prison today and must remain there, under an order of Judge Lacombe, of the United States district court, until the missing books of the company, which contain the evidence upon which the federal district attorney seeks to convict F. Augustus Heinze, are produced. A similar punishment also hangs over Sanford Robinson, a prominent director of the company whose case will be further considered by Judge Lacombe tomorrow morning.

Both men are alleged to have permitted the splitting away of the books while under subpoena. Baglin testified before the grand jury that he had overheard Robinson and one of the Heinze brothers, conspiring to remove the books and had interposed no objection.

PUPILS ESCAPE.

DETROIT, Mich., June 1.—All the pupils of St. Casimir parochial school escaped in safety this morning when fire broke out on the second floor. About thirty-five hundred of the nine hundred pupils were in the building and rushed down the stairs and fire escapes without injury. The fire damage was \$5,000.