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Democrats Of Indiana Open Big Convention-- Bryan The Favorite

Two Day's Meet. Begins, for Adopting State Platform; Naming State Ticket And Choosing Delegates.

Leaders of Party Express Confident of Success--Greater Enthusiasm Than Ever Before Known.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 25.—The Indiana democratic convention today opened upon its two-days' work of adopting a platform, naming a state ticket and selecting delegates to the national convention at Denver, who, it is expected will be instructed to vote for William J. Bryan for president.

Leaders of the party express more confidence of success than has been heard from them in recent years.

The program includes a brief session of the convention at 11 o'clock to elect delegates to the national convention and name convention committees, and a night meeting at which all of the committees except the resolutions committee will report.

The session tomorrow will adopt a platform and name delegates at large.

On account of the election of a member of the national committee by the national delegates at Denver, much interest is being taken in their selection by the district meetings of the state delegates.

National Chairman Taggart, present national committeeman from this state, is a candidate to succeed himself.

Stockholders of Big Mill Co. Elect New Directors

The stockholders of the Chadwick-Hoskins Company held a special meeting this morning in the company's offices at South Church street, seven-tenths of the entire stock being represented in person or by proxy.

The board of directors went into session later in the day and elected the following officers: E. A. Smith, president; Gen. William F. Draper, vice-president; E. C. Dwyer, secretary, and Arthur J. Draper, treasurer.

Special Examiner Coming.

Winston-Salem, N. C., March 25.—Special Examiner George N. Brown, representing the interstate commerce commission, will be here next Monday to hear evidence to be submitted by the Winston-Salem board of trade in the suit pending against the Norfolk & Western Railroad for alleged discriminating in freight rates.

Charter at Richmond.

Richmond, Va., March 25.—Hon. William Jennings Bryan arrived here today and is the guest of Governor Swann. He will address a mass meeting in the auditorium tonight. Many persons are here from nearby points to attend the meeting.

Peace Society Formed.

Winston-Salem, N. C., March 25.—After an address by Mr. Hayne Davis, the Winston-Salem Peace Society was organized here last night. State Senator J. C. Buxton was elected president and Mrs. Lindsay Patterson historian.

Death of Baron Iwasaki.

Tokyo, March 25.—Baron Yanosuke Iwasaki died this morning.

"JUG TRADE" IN CAPITOL CITY

Special to The News. Raleigh, N. C., March 25.—Much comment is being made here on the remarkable increase that has developed in the "jug trade" here since the dispensary closed. It is a fact that three of four days each week, the express receipts of jugs and crates of whiskey and other intoxicants—a gallon or so to an individual—are something immense. These shipments are, of course, from points without the state, since intoxicants cannot be shipped into prohibition territory from points within the state.

Editors in Race. With the three editors seeking the democratic nomination for commissioner of labor and printing to succeed Editor H. B. Varner, of the Lexington Dispatch, the friends of each are naturally jealous of the attitude of the various editors of the state. The published card of J. B. Sherrill that he has practically all of the editors of the state pledged to him in his race for the nomination calls forth from the friends of Assistant Commissioner M. L. Shipman, who is also editor of the Hendersonville Hustler, the declaration that there are a large number of democratic editors of the state, all of them hustlers in politics and many of them prominent, who are assuring Mr. Shipman that they are with him in his race for the nomination as commissioner-in-chief.

North Dakota Democrats. Grand Forks, N. D., March 25.—Nearly 700 delegates, together with many visitors, were present at the opening of the democratic state convention here today. The convention will select the North Dakota representatives to the democratic national convention. It is expected the convention will declare its choice for William J. Bryan for the presidential nomination.

Mr. Gardner Gets Contract

Work on The Erection of The New First Baptist Church Will be Pushed from Now on For Ten Months.

The contract for building the new Baptist Church was let today to Mr. J. A. Garner and the work will begin immediately, though the congregation will be able to worship one time more—next Sunday—in the old structure.

The News has already described the proposed new building, of which Mr. J. M. McMichael is the architect.

The contract price is \$50,000. It will require ten months to complete the church, which will be one of the handsomest in the south, of the rather rare Byzantine type architecturally, and with a massive dome which will make it an architectural landmark of the city, being visible from most of the roads coming into the city.

In every way, as The News has fully described before, the church will be complete and up-to-date. The auditorium will be an ample and spacious one, with gallery space well utilized.

The contract was finally today let after a conference between the building committee and the architect, Mr. McMichael.

McKee Divorce Suit.

Interesting Case Taken Up—Contention of Both Sides.

Paris, March 25.—The hearing of the suit for divorce, brought by Mrs. A. Hart McKee, against her husband, was continued.

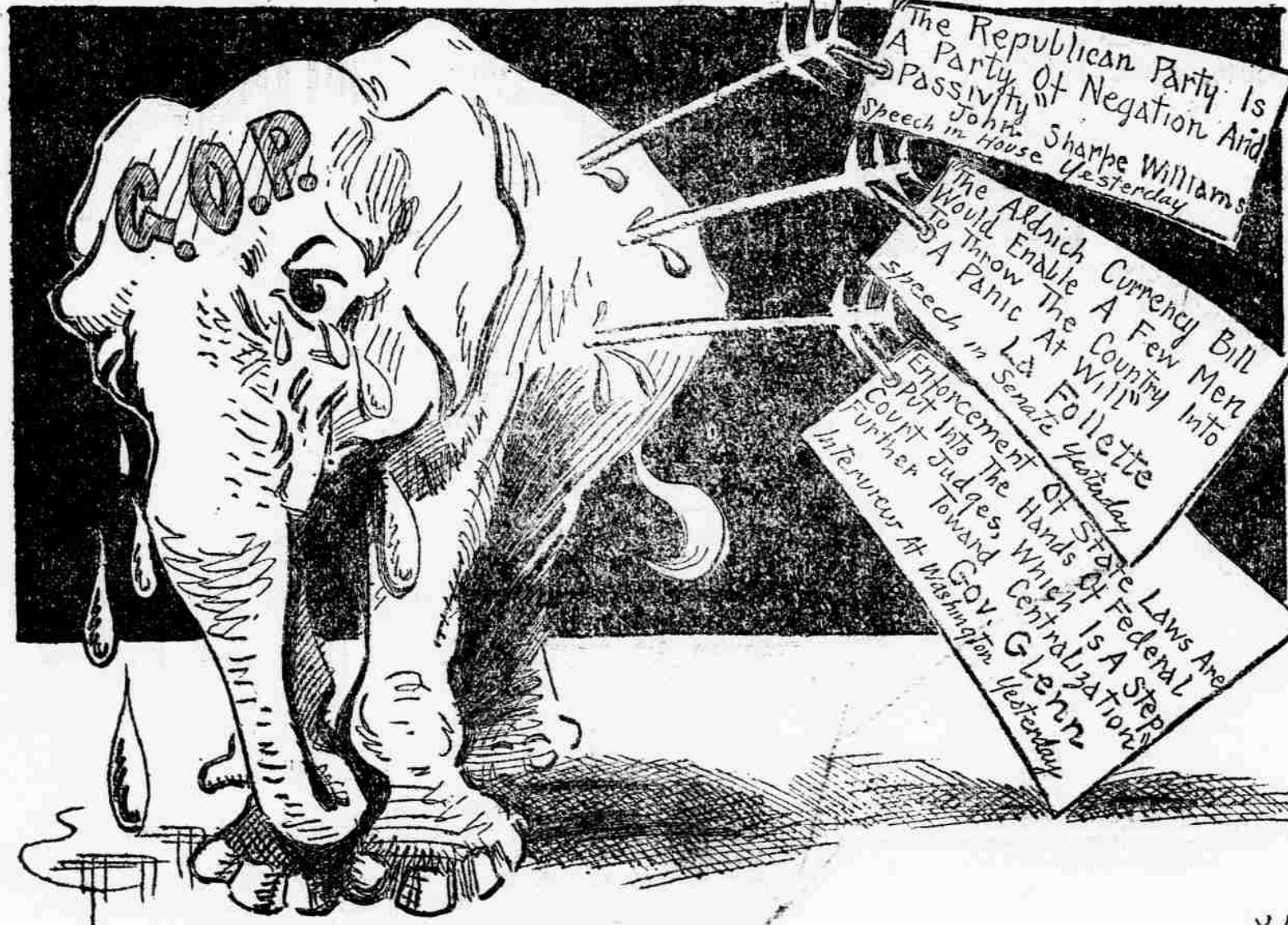
Maitre Labori resumed his pleadings in behalf of Mr. McKee. He declared Mrs. McKee's affection for her husband, as well as her appreciation of his treatment of her, were evidenced in a series of passionate letters which she sent him at various times, and in which she made use of a code especially arranged for these communications. Counsel for the husband denounced Mrs. McKee's claim that Mr. McKee was a gambler.

Bryan Applauded.

Grand Forks, N. D., March 25.—When Governor Burke, in his speech, mentioned Bryan's name, it was given a wild burst of applause which showed the temper of the convention.

Bryan Endorsed.

Chicago, March 25.—In a harmonious meeting of the democratic state central committee held here, William Jennings Bryan was endorsed for the presidency in emphatic language.



President Roosevelt Sends a Special Message To Congress-- Certain Legislation Urged

Washington, D. C., March 25.—The special message from the president was read in both houses of congress today.

In the house the declaration that the time had come for a revision of the tariff elicited hand clapping on the part of the democratic members.

Democratic approval was also given by way of pounding desks to the suggestion that congress could with advantage forthwith remove the tariff on wood pulp, with a corresponding reduction upon paper made from wood pulp.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

I call your attention to certain measures as to which I think there should be action by the congress before the close of the present session. There is ample time for their consideration. As regards most if not all of the matters, bills have been introduced into one or the other of the two houses, and it is not too much to hope that action will be taken one way or the other on these bills at the present session. In my message at the opening of this present session, and, indeed, in various messages to previous congresses, I have repeatedly suggested action on most of these measures.

Child Labor. Child labor should be prohibited throughout the nation. At least a model child-labor bill should be passed for the District of Columbia. It is unfortunate that in the one place solely dependent upon congress for its legislation there should be no law whatever to protect children by forbidding or regulating their labor.

Employers Liability Act. I renew my recommendation for the immediate re-enactment of an employers' liability law, drawn to conform to the recent decision of the supreme court. Within the limits indicated by the court, the law should be made thorough and comprehensive, and the protection it affords should embrace every class of employe to which the power of the congress can extend.

In addition to a liability law protecting the employe of common carriers, the government should show its good faith by enacting a further law giving compensation to its own employes for injury or death incurred in its service. It is a reproach to us as a nation that in both federal and state legislation we have afforded less protection to public and private employes than any other industrial country of the world.

As to Labor Disputes. I also urge that action be taken along the line of the recommendations I have already made concerning injunctions in labor disputes. No temporary restraining order should be issued by any court without notice; and the petition for a permanent injunction upon which such temporary restraining order has been issued should be heard by the court issuing the same in a reasonable time—say, not to exceed a week or thereabouts from the date when the order was issued. It is worth considering whether it would not give greater popular confidence in the impartiality of sentences for contempt if it were required that the issue should be decided by another judge than the one issuing the injunction, except where the contempt is committed in the presence of the court, or in other case of urgency.

Interstate Commerce Law. I again call attention to the urgent need of amending the interstate commerce law and especially the anti-trust law along the lines indicated in my last message. The interstate commerce law should be amended so as to give railroads the right to make traffic agreements, subject to these agreements being approved by the interstate commerce commission and published in all of their details.

The commission should also be given the power to make public and to pass upon the issuance of all securities hereafter issued by railroads doing an interstate commerce business.

As to Receiverships. A law should be passed providing in effect that when a federal court determines to place a common carrier or other public utility concern under the control of a receivership, the attorney general should have the right to nominate at least one of the receivers; or else in some other way the interests of the stockholders should be considered, so that the management may not be wholly redelivered to the man or men the failure of whose policy may have necessitated the creation of the receivership. Receiverships should be used, not to operate roads, but as speedily as possible to pay their debts and return them to the proper owners.

Anti-Trust Legislation. In addition to the reasons I have already urged on your attention, it has now become important that there should be an amendment of the anti-trust law, because of the uncertainty as to how this law affects combinations among labor men and farmers, of the combination has any tendency to restrict interstate commerce. All of these combinations, if and while existing fer and engaged in the promotion of innocent and proper purposes, should be recognized as legal. As I have repeatedly pointed out, this anti-

EMPEROR'S GRUDGE AGAINST HILL

Venice, March 25.—Emperor William, of Germany, accompanied by Empress Prince August, one of his sons, and Princess Victoria, his daughter, arrived in Berlin today.

The imperial party was given a very warm welcome. The objection to Dr. Hill is one purely personal to Emperor William who has simply caused it to be made known that the American diplomatist is personal non gratia to him. The reason for the emperor's objection is connected with the visit to America several years ago of his brother, Prince Henry, ranking admiral of the German navy. Dr. Hill at that time was first assistant secretary of state and necessarily was brought into official contact with the distinguished foreign visitor.

Just what he did or did not do to give offense is not known here.

Will Not Receive Him. Washington, March 25.—The german government has declined to receive Dr. David Jayne Hill in the capacity of American ambassador, to succeed Charlesman Tower. Dr. Hill is at present American minister to The Hague and was formerly first assistant secretary of state under the administration of Secretary Hay.

Daring Rescue Of Five People

New York, March 25.—Five members of Jacob Caikovsky's family were rescued in a sensational manner from the roof of their burning home at 125 Bowery. The rescue was made by two policemen before the firemen arrived. They bridged the six-foot chasm between two buildings with their bodies and swung the Caikovsky's across from the roof of the burning building to a place of safety.

Republican Convention Opens Up With a Dozen Free-For-All Fights

Democrats Of Ill. At Peace

Chicago, Ill., March 25.—So large was the attendance at today's meeting of the democratic state committee of Illinois in this city as to give to the gathering almost the character of a state convention. In addition to Chairman Boeschenstein and his associates of the state committee there were in attendance nearly all of the county chairmen and a large number of other prominent democrats from over the state.

The state committee went into conference behind closed doors at the Sherman House this afternoon to decide upon the time and place for holding the state convention. It is accepted as a foregone conclusion that before it adjourns the state committee will adopt a ringing endorsement of William J. Bryan for the presidential nomination.

So far as surface indications go to the Bryan-Sullivan struggle for supremacy in Illinois democracy is a thing of the past.

During Mr. Bryan's recent visits to this city a satisfactory understanding was arrived at between him and the representatives of Roger J. Sullivan, whom Mr. Bryan has opposed all along as the national committeeman from Illinois.

According to the terms of the truce there is to be no antagonism to Mr. Bryan personally or to his presidential aspirations within the present democratic state organization in Illinois.

At the same time Mr. Bryan is understood to have agreed to keep hands off in regard to the state's selection of a member of the national committee.

Belk Brothers are making improvements to their stores on East Trade street, painting the exteriors and remodeling the interiors.

Death Of Mr. C. H. Campbell

Former Superintendent of The Charlotte Water Works Passes Away in New York City, Having Committed Suicide.

New York, March 25.—Charles H. Campbell, a civil engineer of the American Water Works Association, who came to New York from Atlanta, Ga., was found in an unconscious condition in a hallway of the office building last night, with a bullet hole in his head. He died later at a hospital.

Mrs. Campbell, who, with her husband, lived in Brooklyn, could give no reason why Campbell should shoot himself.

The coroner gave it as his opinion that it appeared to be a case of suicide, but will make a further investigation.

There was great surprise here today over the news that Mr. Charles H. Campbell, former superintendent of the Charlotte water works, had died in New York, apparently very suddenly.

The information came in a telegram from Mr. F. W. Shepherd, editor of Fire and Water Engineering, of New York, to Mr. Pat Williams, superintendent of the Charlotte water works.

Mr. Campbell took his own life, by shooting himself through the head. The scene of the tragedy was his place of business on Twenty-second street. It is said that he brooded over his failure to obtain work as an engineer. He leaves a wife and a little daughter. Mr. Campbell was 52 years of age.

A strange coincidence, which is quite a little sermon in itself on the mutability of life, was the fact that Mr. Williams, at the time he tore open the yellow envelope which contained the startling news about the death of his former chief here, was on his way to the postoffice with a letter in his hand to mail to Mr. Campbell. The letter contained data which Mr. Campbell had asked Mr. Williams for regarding the new Charlotte water works system, and which the deceased intended to use in an article in his paper, Fire and Water Engineering. It was to appear in the convention number of that journal, the convention meeting in May in Washington city. It was to show photographs of the Charlotte system, and would have held up the system here as a model for a city of this size.

Mr. Campbell was born in Macon, Ga., and grew up there. His first position as superintendent of a water works system was at Ocala, Fla. From there he came here for several years and from here he went with the Fabric Fire Hose Company, of New York, as their Atlanta agent, and later accepted for Fire and Water Engineering, in New York city.

Mr. Williams had heard from him day before yesterday regarding the article he was helping him prepare, and thinks, therefore, that his death must have been very sudden. Mr. Campbell was a genial, whole-souled man and left many warm friends here.

Leaders of Warring Factions Attempt to Settle Grievances With Their Fists--A Hot Time Was Experienced.

Special Train Brings In Brass Bands And Supporters of W. J. Oliver--National Delegates Chosen at Meeting.

Nashville, Tenn., March 25.—As soon as the republican state convention was called to order pandemonium broke loose.

There were a dozen fist-fights between members of the Evans and Brownlow factions. Order was restored in a few minutes by the police. A negro and a white man later had a set-to.

They were arrested and sent to the police station. The convention met to choose delegates to the national convention. It was expected to be stormy on account of the feeling between the Evans and Brownlow factions. A serious split seemed inevitable, with two conventions as a probable result.

The candidacy of W. J. Oliver for national committeeman received impetus when a special train from east Tennessee arrived, bring 800 men and two brass bands.

Mr. Oliver's adherents secured the capitol and every public hall in the city, and indications were for a lively day.

Aldrich Bill Taken Up in The Senate

Washington, March 25.—After disposing of routine business the senate entered upon the final stages of its consideration of the Aldrich bill by proceeding with the disposal of amendments. Changes agreed upon by the committee on finance were first made, and to these alterations there was no objection. They include the elimination of railroad bonds as security for proposed increased bank circulation, and other modifications which have been heretofore outlined.

WANTS HIM IMPEACHED. Case of Judge L. R. Wilfley Comes Up--Mr. Clayton Urges Impeachment.

Washington, March 25.—The subcommittee of the house judiciary committee, appointed to investigate the charges against Judge L. R. Wilfley, of the United States circuit court for China, on charges of misconduct in office, preferred by a number of American lawyers, submitted its report to the full committee. The report does not recommend impeachment, but severely censures Judge Wilfley for harshness on the bench and ignorance of the law. The presentation of the report precipitated a warm debate in the full committee. Mr. Clayton, of Alabama, entered a motion for impeachment, and served notice that if the committee failed to accept it he would move it on the floor of the house. No action was taken by the full committee.

Attempt to Wreck Bridge.

Perth Amboy, N. J., March 25.—An attempt was made to wreck the new Pennsylvania railroad bridge over the Raritan river between this city and South Amboy. A charge of dynamite was exploded near one of the abutments of the bridge and caused damage to the extent of about \$2,000.

Wage Reductions.

Waltham, Mass., March 25.—Notices announcing a wage reduction of ten per cent, to take effect on April 6, were posted in the cotton mills of the Boston Manufacturing Company, which employs 1,800 hands.

Bryan Receives Legislators.

Richmond, Va., March 25.—At noon today Mr. Bryan received the members of the general assembly in the governor's room in the capitol.

Night Riders on Another Rampage.

Owenton, Ky., March 25.—Owenton was visited by the "Night Riders" last night who set fire to three large tobacco warehouses, causing a loss of about \$30,000, and destroying 150,000 pounds of tobacco.

Collector of Customs.

Washington, March 25.—The president nominated Isah J. McCottrick, of South Carolina, to be collector of customs for the district of Georgetown, S. C.

J. H. Wearn & Co. are retouching some beautiful old furniture that belonged to the late Mrs. Leroy Springs of Lancaster, S. C. The furniture belonged to Mrs. Springs' grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. White, of Fort Mill, S. C.