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OHIO'S RINGING CALL TO BRYAN

No Other Name for the Presidency Appeals

PLATFORM SUBMITTED

The County Option Fight Could Not Be Settled in an All-Night Session of the Platform Committee And Was Brought Into the Convention.

(By the Associated Press.)
Columbus, O., August 22.—When the Ohio democratic convention re-assembled today it was with the knowledge that a fight was assured on county option in temperance legislation, as a part of the declaration of principles. A protracted night session of the committee on the platform had been insufficient to bring the different opinions together. Many of the temperance advocates, among them the leaders of the anti-saloon league, were understood to be willing to accept a compromise, but W. L. Finley had all along maintained that no compromise which left the county option idea at all obscured would be acceptable to him. The delegates were therefore not surprised at the prospect of a minority report and few coats were in evidence when Chairman McCann called the convention to order and asked for the report of the committee on platform.

The proposition of Mr. Finley for local option by counties, the present laws providing only for township and residence district option, came before the convention as an amendment to the report of the platform committee. Mr. Finley and those committed to the county option proposition voted for the remainder of the platform without dissent. The proposal made by Mr. Finley and rejected by the committee was as follows:

"We urge the necessary legislation or constitutional amendment which will give the people of the state, county or city, by petition of five per cent of the votes, the right to bring any question to a popular vote, thereby voting, if they choose, any act of their representatives or enacting by popular initiative any legislation which may meet with the approval of the majority. We believe that under the provisions the people of any community could solve all questions of temperance or other legislation to their own satisfaction."

This same plank was submitted by him as an amendment to the report of the committee on resolutions when that was presented to the convention today. Thomas E. Powell, chairman of the platform committee, read the report. Frequent applause greeted favorite planks.

Platform As Submitted.

The report of the resolutions committee as presented was as follows: "The democracy of Ohio in convention assembled, announce the following declaration of principles: We demand that the laws shall be so amended that the revenue necessary for the expenses of the state shall be raised without calling upon the people for a levy and thereby secure for each county home rule in taxation, i. e. each county raise only what it needs for its own expenses and its citizens authorize."

We declare that the present laws for assessing the property of railroads and other public service corporations should be so changed as to compel the assessment of those properties at not less than their salable value going concerns and to prevent their evasion of just taxation.

We demand that the legislature shall enact such laws as will enable a tax to be levied on all franchise privileges as on other property which now, although of great value, pay nothing towards the burdens of government.

We believe in free and unqualified home rule, free from state interference. Each city, town and village should be allowed to decide for itself all matters of local policy, especially as between public or private ownership of all public utilities, including street works and lighting systems, and that provision should be made for submitting such questions to the people, upon request from a reasonable number of voters and at such elections the vote of a majority shall decide. Such public ownership should be safeguarded by the merit system of appointment and tenure of office, so as to prevent the building up of political machines and the perpetuation of a boss rule.

public officials of steam or street railroad passes. We favor the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people and suggest the adoption of the so-called Oregon plan to this end. We direct the state central committee to include in the call for the next state convention provisions for the nomination of a candidate for United States senator by such convention. We favor the initiative and referendum and such legislation and constitutional amendments as will make it effective as to state and local affairs, no franchise or renewal thereof should be granted by any county, city or village, without first submitting the same to vote of the people. In order to secure purity in elections we favor the repeal of all special limitations as to time within which criminal prosecutions may be begun for bribery in elections.

The incoming state central committee is directed to require that delegates to the state convention be selected by primary or delegate conventions to be selected by primaries, such selection to be made by precinct primaries. In the event that any county committee shall violate this party law, the state central committee shall issue a call in accordance with the above regulations, and delegates elected pursuant to the action of the state central committee shall be deemed the regular delegates.

The refusal of the republican majority in the national house of representatives to pass the bill pending before the late session of congress providing that insurance companies and other corporations and trusts should be hereafter prohibited from contributing money to political corruption funds is a vital issue in the present campaign for the election of members of congress. As the measure was an important and essential one before congress for the control of trusts, the republican majority should be held responsible for the bills cowardly defeated by being smothered in committee.

Victories for Democrats.

We call to the attention of the people of Ohio to the fact that the victory of last fall resulted in the enactment of a number of laws in the interests of the people, chief among which are the following: The enactment of the two cent railroad fare law, so often vainly demanded.

POUNDING ON THE REEF

Little Hope Now of Floating the Manchuria

Officers Have Packed Their Trunks and Every Preparation to Abandon the Steamer is Going Forward—The Sea Running High.

(By the Associated Press.)
Honolulu, Aug. 22.—The stranded steamer Manchuria pounded heavily last night, despite all efforts to assist her.

The Pacific Mail Company through its attorney has announced that it will assume all responsibility for the landing of through passengers at this point. The company is now making every effort to get the baggage ashore and will allow each passenger while detained here an expense rate of \$3.50 per day and will arrange for them the earliest transportation to the Orient. At a meeting of the passengers yesterday it was decided that Governor Smith of the Philippines should take the first steamer to sail for the Orient and the others should follow in accordance with the urgency of their journeys. Those present manifested satisfaction at the treatment they had received from the company.

The forecasts regarding the floating of the Manchuria are gloomier and her officers have packed up their belongings. The sea is running high at the scene of the wreck.

TWO PASSERS-BY KILLED IN WARSAW

(By the Associated Press.)
Warsaw, Aug. 22.—An unknown man shot and slightly wounded Count Fers, a colonel of gendarmes today. A patrol of soldiers replied with a volley, killing two passers-by.

Little Anxiety.

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, August 22.—Mr. Sleepor, the American charge at Havana, advised the state department under yesterday's date that there has been little change in the revolutionary situation, and that although the information in Havana concerning the activity of revolutionists in measure, there is little anxiety about the situation.

COMMISSIONERS MAKE AWARDS

County Will Spend Thousands On Improvements.

STRICTLY MODERN JAIL

Wake County Roads Will Be Bettered—All Bids for Steam Heating Rejected—Home Contractors Come In For a Good Share.

The Board of Commissioners of Wake county have announced the award of contracts for the various improvements they have been contemplating and which were realized to have been so greatly needed. The principal consideration was in setting aside \$10,000 for additions to the county jail, which will place it far in the ranks as a place of sanitary safety. The contract for this work was given to the B. F. Smith Fire Construction Company, Washington, D. C., and a bond of \$5,000 was required of the contractors. The changes will be made after the plans of Barrett & Thompson, Raleigh architects. For the erection of a chapel at the County Home, \$625.00 was given to J. S. Allen, Sr., of Raleigh. J. G. Connell and E. D. Fann were awarded the contract to enlarge the vault in the offices of the register of deeds, the amount being \$374. Glenn & Williams, another local firm of painters, will repaint the exterior of the courthouse, the price being stated at \$237.

All bids for the heating of the courthouse any county jail with steam were rejected. The commissioners ordered the purchasing committee to at once take up correspondence with iron bridge builders, the matter of the cost of a bridge to be built across the Neuse River at the point known commonly as the Lawrence Bridge. There was appropriated \$300 for the improvement of the Adkin road in Swift Creek township, and Superintendent Holding was ordered to employ a supervisor. Another \$300 was appropriated to the completion of the Penney road from Yates' mill to the Merced road.

CRAZY WHEN HE SHOT WHITE. But Not Crazy Now, Will Be Thaw's Plea.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Aug. 22.—A decision was reached today by the attorneys for Harry K. Thaw that Thaw's defense to the charge of killing Stanford White will be a plea of emotional insanity. This will include as a part of the defense the declaration that Thaw's insanity existed only until after White was killed and has since then sane again and has been since the killing. The decision to make this plea was reached after the reports of two alienists who visited Thaw in the Tombs yesterday had been communicated to Clifford W. Hartridge, of Thaw's counsel.

It was decided today that Mrs. Harry K. Thaw will be the chief witness of the defense in its effort to prove that Thaw was insane when he killed White. It was over the question whether a plea of insanity should be made that Thaw and his former counsel disagreed, resulting in the dismissal of the lawyers. The plea insisted upon by Thaw's former counsel included the admission that he is now insane, and if accepted by the court and jury, would have caused his confinement in an insane asylum. The plea now decided upon makes no such admission.

PALMA FINDS THE REVOLT A TRIFLE.

(By the Associated Press.)
Havana, Aug. 22.—President Palma in an interview with the correspondent of the Associated Press today, said: "Our situation at first, was one of unpreparedness, as is usual in such cases. We are taking a little time to prepare to cope with it. But there is positively no cause for alarm. The movement in Santa Clara province is small, in Matanzas it is trifling and the bands in Pinar Del Rio are smaller than reported and are poorly led."

A Free Educational Bill.

(By the Associated Press.)
Sydney, N. S. W., August 22.—The legislative assembly today passed the free educational bill.

HUMID HEAT'S DEADLY WORK

Eleven Lay Down Life's Burden at Chicago

A SCORE PROSTRATED

An Exodus of Thousands to Lake Beaches—The Police Estimate That Twenty-Five Thousand People Laid—Bathing By Electric Light Went Night.

(By the Associated Press.)
Chicago, August 22.—Seven persons dead and twenty prostrated as a result of the intense humidity in the resort for the 24 hours, ending at 2 a. m. today. The thermometer only touched 91 yesterday, but the humidity stood at 83 per cent for the day and was the chief cause of the suffering and discomfort. Thousands sought relief from the intense heat at the various lake beaches and swimming pools in the city, and the police estimate that 25,000 people went bathing by electric light last night. Five more names were added today to the death roll caused by the heat.

To Raise the Thomas Newton.

(By the Associated Press.)
Norfolk, Va., Aug. 22.—Wrecking expedition left here today for the Pasquotank River, North Carolina, to raise the partially burned and sunken steamer Thomas Newton of the Norfolk & Southern Railroad.

THE FIRES STILL RAGE

Reports to New York Houses from Valparaiso

London Receives Advice Stating That Slight Shocks Continue Subscriptions for the Relief of the Sufferers by the Earthquake.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Aug. 22.—Wessel, Duval & Company today received from their branch in Valparaiso the following cablegram which had been delayed in transmission. "About one-half of the city of Valparaiso is destroyed and the balance damaged. Our offices appointed quite safe. More than 2,000 killed or injured; populace camping out. Our steamers safe."

A cable message received from Valparaiso by the way of Lima, Peru, by W. R. Grace & Company, of this city, today read as follows: "The city (Valparaiso) is almost annihilated. Fires are still ravaging." The message was dated at Lima today, having been received there from the firm's representative in Valparaiso.

Slight Shocks Continue.

London, August 22.—A cable dispatch filed late last night by the agent at Valparaiso of Duval & Company says that slight shocks continue and that further large fires have occurred there.

Anxiety Decreases.

Washington, Aug. 22.—The state department received the following dispatch today from Mr. Hicks, the American minister to Chile, dated Santiago, August 21: "Anxiety over earthquake decreases, although mild shocks still continue. Financial and business conditions serious. Destruction of Valparaiso produces fear of panic. Subscriptions being raised for relief of sufferers."

Panama Not Affected.

Washington, Aug. 22.—Panama was not in the least affected by the Chilean earthquakes, according to a dispatch received today by the Washington office of the isthmian canal commission from Chief Engineer Stevens.

Lawn Tennis Championship.

(By the Associated Press.)
Newport, R. I., Aug. 22.—Holcomb Ward and Beals C. Wright in the national tennis championship doubles today defeated F. B. Alexander and H. H. Hackett 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, 6-3; retaining the title.

BIG COLLISION SMASHES ENGINE

Dispatcher at Greensboro Reputed Responsible

THE ENGINEERS ESCAPE

Wreck Occurred at Method Hard by Curve—Crews Sustained Only Slight Injuries—Men Standing by Signalled Warning—Wreckage Speedily Handled.

Another wreck occurred this morning at 7:30 o'clock just a few yards beyond the station of Method, when two trains on the main line of the Southern road went together head-on, running on orders alleged to have been confused by the dispatcher at Greensboro. One engine was torn up and battered, the tender and running gear being reduced to timber and scrap iron; one box car was demolished; several other cars were derailed and the track was torn up along a considerable stretch of the road.

Engineer A. M. Hay was in the cab of engine No. 450 and was running train first No. 184 from Greensboro, having orders to meet the local at Cary, but at Cary this order was annulled. The local train No. 163 was speeding along with orders to meet the heavy freight at Thompson's crossing and engineer Jack Cournow was in the cab, all unaware that the train from Greensboro was bearing down on him with changed orders. Just before the little depot at Method the terrorfulness of the situation was made known. Engineer Cournow applied the brakes and reversed his engine, then jumped from the cab, together with his fireman. Both of these men so escaped without injury, and when the crash of No. 184 came, although somewhat slowed down, and running something more than twenty miles an hour, Engineer Hay leaped from his cab on the right hand side of the road, while his fireman sprang to the left. Both men were slightly injured, the fireman falling against the cross-ties of the Seaboard tracks which runs closely parallel over that stretch of the roads. Engineer Hay was scratched about the face and suffered injury to his arm. In making his escape the place of danger he barely escaped the wreckage which had been hurled aside by the impact of his engine against that of the local.

The force of the collision broke the coupling and six of the cars of the local train were sent hurtling back up the road, when a young man by the name of Exum Pool, employed on the Tucker farm, sprang after the fleeing cars, climbed to the top of one of them and applied the brakes, thus averting another accident somewhere further along the track. Mr. H. B. Bagwell, the manager of the Florence P. Tucker's farm, was standing at the side of the tracks, and seeing what was about to happen, called to Engineer Cournow and violently waved his hat. This, in a great measure, helped to lessen the speed and at least ward off the collision. Immediately on the curve. The roads of both companies, the Southern and the Seaboard, are constructed on a decided curve just beyond Method, and even in daylight much of the track is obscured on this account. The train from Greensboro was made up of thirty-two cars and a caboose and the engine, No. 450, was one of the "hog" type, and built for speed and for burden, while No. 1415 was slight of build and was pulling only seven cars and a caboose. The great mass of wreckage shows a most unusual placement of some of the parts. When the big engine struck the little one, which was then at a standstill, the tender of the engine and one box car were tossed off to the right of the Southern track, heaped there, while the engines clung together and proceeded fully eighty-five feet, where the smaller one was thrown in part over the rails and the rear end forced into the soft clay in a ditch close alongside.

In the general smash four or five cars of the long train were derailed, but were speedily gotten in shape again. The rails were in some places snapped as brittle wood is snapped, and on the side next to the Seaboard road while three sections of rail are twisted and turned completely over, the wheels of the big engine rested

in the groove. Some of the iron was bent into half circles, and the whole appearance of the affair was almost Frankish.

A large gang of men was put to work right away to clear the debris, and the giant steam wrecking derrick was ordered from Spencer. The men worked with a vim and vigorous determination and the clearance was witnessed by hundreds of people from Raleigh and lesser points nearby. Southern trains were operated over the Seaboard Air Line track, for which accommodation the track had to be shoved about a foot and a half from the wreck side of the road. It is hardly possible for a layman to fix the amount of damage sustained by the Southern, since to the casual observer all power and force seem gone from the engine and one car. One of the engineers, viewing the scene (likened the collision to that between an automobile and a bicycle.

A POSTOFFICE ROBBED BY THIEVES IN AN AUTO.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Aug. 22.—Four thieves traveling in an automobile robbed the postoffice at Westbury, L. I., of a quantity of stamps this morning, and escaped after an exchange of shots with citizens. Charles Rowland, a hotel employe, received a bullet in the arm. The robbers used dynamite in their operations and the sound of the explosion aroused the town.

Widely Known Educator Dead.

(By the Associated Press.)
Chicago, August 22.—Albert G. Lane, one of the most widely known educators in the west, died at his home here today following an attack of nervous prostration. Mr. Lane was at one time president of the national educational association. He was 65 years of age.

Five Are Executed.

(By the Associated Press.)
Jesolpan, Russia, August 22.—An actuator and four soldiers were executed here today as ringleaders in the recent mutiny.

THE GEORGIA PRIMARIES

Nominate Full Ticket for State and County

Nominations Also for Entire Delegation in Lower Branch of Congress. No Opposition to Senator Bacon. End of Bitter Gubernatorial Fight Approaches.

(By the Associated Press.)
Atlanta, Ga., August 22.—Democratic state primaries are being held throughout the state today for the nomination of a full list of state and county officers. The candidates for governor are Hoke Smith, secretary for governor under Cleveland; Clark Howell, editor of the Atlanta Constitution; J. H. Eastell, editor of the Savannah News; R. B. Russell, a prominent lawyer, and James Smith, a wealthy farmer. The contest between Howell and Hoke Smith has been bitter.

Nominations also will be made for the entire state delegation in the lower branch of the national congress. United States Senator Bacon has no opposition for re-nomination. In Atlanta an entire city ticket will be nominated. Captain W. R. Joyner, for 25 years chief of the Atlanta fire department, is the leading candidate for mayor.

SILESIA SHAKES BY QUAKE SHOCKS.

(By the Associated Press.)
Berlin, August 22.—A sharp earthquake shock was felt today at Zaborze, near Katowitz, upper Silesia. Doors were forced open, pictures and mirrors fell to the floor and the frightened inhabitants fled into the streets. The walls of a number of houses were cracked.

CHINA TO HAVE A CONSTITUTION

(By the Associated Press.)
Pekin, Aug. 22.—The dowager empress of China plans to summon a conference of high officials, including several viceroys, to discuss the adoption of a constitution. The Chinese commissioners who recently visited the United States and Europe, and who have returned from their tours, recommended a gradual change to a constitutional government, taking ten to fifteen years to educate the people thereto.

Arrival of T. M. Healey.

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Aug. 22.—T. M. Healey, member of the British parliament, arrived here today on the steamer Carmania.

SAN LUIS FALLS BEFORE GUERRA

The City in the Hands of the Revolutionists

A FEW MEN ARE KILLED

Though Palma Shrugs at the Insurrection as a Trifle and Loyal Cubans Are Everywhere Demanding Arms, the Situation is Becoming Very Grave.

(By the Associated Press.)
Havana, Aug. 22.—The insurgents in the province of Pinar Del Rio captured their first city there today. At 9 o'clock this morning the force led by Pino Guerra, an ex-congressman and an influential man and who was thought to be many miles eastward and surely other insurgent bands attacked San Luis which is situated on the railroad about ten miles west of Pinar Del Rio city. A sharp and decisive engagement followed during which a number of men were killed or wounded. The town was defended by less than 100 rural guards, 50 of whom surrendered to the insurgents and were held as prisoners. The insurgent forces are in possession of the railroad station and of the town which is resuming its normal condition. By the capture of San Luis which has about 10,000 inhabitants the insurgents have obtained an important base for future operations.

Details of the Capture.

Havana, Aug. 22.—According to reliable advice received here this afternoon the insurgents today captured the city of San Luis, in the province of Pinar Del Rio.

Later in the afternoon the report of the capture of San Luis was confirmed. Pino Guerra's force of insurgents appeared outside San Luis at 9:30 this morning. A severe fight followed, during which several men were killed or wounded on both sides. Eventually the insurgents captured the town and fifty rural guards, who are being held prisoners.

Guerra is now in complete control of San Luis, which is reported to be quiet. This city has a population of about 6,000 and is situated near the San Sebastian river, nine miles south by west of the city of Pinar Del Rio in a region noted for the production of tobacco.

It became known later in the day that practically all the inhabitants of the town of Aguacate have, with the mayor declared themselves in insurrection against the government. A dispatch from Rancho Veloz, province of Santa Clara says that a band of insurgents has been organized there under Colonel Reinos and it is believed that ex-congressman Mendietta is with them.

Governor Nunez of Havana province says that the organization of his local, loyal bands, has begun here. Special precautions are being taken to protect the reservoir at Vento and the pumping station at Palatino. Parties of insurgents have been seen in the neighborhood of both these places. American dealers have been commissioned to buy hundreds of horses for the use of the rural guards now being recruited.

A new party of fifty insurgents appeared today at Santa Cruz Del Norte, Havana province.

An Earlier Report.

Havana, August 22.—The insurrection situation today continues unchanged. While the government is surprised at the uprisings in central Cuba, the disaffection of prominent persons in Havana province and the unreliability of some of its ostensible friends, it is nevertheless encouraged by the evidences of loyalty in the rapid enlistments and also by the fact that the insurgents in Pinar Del Rio are not gaining any accessions and are not able to attack any populous neighborhood.

The passing of the last two nights without an attack on the city of Pinar Del Rio has somewhat increased the feeling of confidence in government circles. The insurgent force commanded by Pino Guerra, is only eight miles east of the city of Pinar Del Rio, however, and other smaller bands apparently are awaiting to join hands in an attack on the provincial capital. The enlistment of recruits for the rural guards in Havana is proceeding rapidly.

The people in the towns continue asking for arms in order to defend the government, but the impossibility of accurately gauging the dominant motives in the Cuban character adds another element to the uncertainty of the situation.

The government has received a report that ex-congressman Carlos Mendietta, a leading citizen of Santa Clara, has taken up arms with a large force. While the report is not confirmed the situation.

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