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## SOUTHERN VOTE TO BE ORGANIZED

### Movement to Corral Southerners in New York Into a Bryan Club

## THE NOMINEE PLEASED

Mr. Bryan Much Gratiſied to Hear of Effort to Bring the New York Southern Vote into Line—Are in Position to Contribute Largely to Party Success.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Lincoln, Neb., Aug. 11.—When the movement recently started in New York to organize the southern vote of the state for him by a Bryan and Kern club was called to the attention of Mr. Bryan he displayed keen interest in it. He was shown a letter from prominent New York democrats reciting briefly the details of the movement, which is headed by Gen. Henry T. Douglas, formerly of Maryland, but now a resident of New York City, and the nominee recalled a pleasant acquaintance with Gen. Douglas as a comrade in Gen. Fitzhugh Lee's army corps in the Spanish-American war, to which Bryan's third Nebraska regiment was attached. In approval of the movement Mr. Bryan dictated this statement for publication:

"I am very much gratified to hear of it. We have a large number of southern democrats in the city of New York alone, and they have won prominence in all departments of the city's activities. They have retained their love for fundamental democratic principles and are in a position to contribute largely to the party's success in that state. I am more than pleased to hear of the organization of this movement."

Representative Clayton, of Alabama, spoke even more enthusiastically than did Mr. Bryan of the southern movement in New York, which he hopes will extend to all northern states, particularly to New Jersey, Delaware, Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois.

"The southern vote in all the close states of the north and central west," said Mr. Clayton, "is an important and determining factor in our national elections. The bulk of that vote has not heretofore been for Mr. Bryan, for reasons that it is not necessary here to discuss upon. It is naturally a democratic vote, or at least fully nine-tenths of it is, and had it been cast for Mr. Bryan in either of his other campaigns he would have been elected. I most heartily indorse the movement in New York of which Mr. Bryan was apprised today. The democracy of the south expects its sons at the north to rally as one man this year to the support of the party. With their united aid we can win this fight and send Judge Taft to the rear a worse defeated man than Judge Parker was four years ago. To win this election is of vital importance in the fight the democratic party is making to correct the abuses of the federal government and preserve local state government."

Mr. Clayton estimates the southern vote in New York as 150,000, that in Ohio as 50,000; in Indiana, nearly as large as Ohio, and in Illinois 75,000.

## THE LINVILLE TOURNAMENT.

Will Be Held This Week Under Auspices of Eseoela Golf Club.

(Special to The Times)

Linville, N. C., Aug. 11.—The Eseoela interstate southern championship tournament will be held here this week under the auspices of the Eseoela Golf Club. The entrants included players from all parts of the south, the Chattanooga golf and country club, the Birmingham golf club, the Knoxville country club, and the Roanoke golf club sending teams to compete.

Foremost among the week's events will be the competition for the Tanglewood cup, which will occur on Friday and Saturday. A handsome Tiffany cup, valued at \$50 will be the prize. It must be won three seasons in succession to be retained. Today's events include an open championship team match for teams of three, an open interstate championship for men, and a mixed foursome.

All these events are open to amateurs only.

## CONSPIRACY TO LOOT BIG STORES

### During the Past Year Big Mercantile Houses Have Been Robbed Extensively

## TWO HAVE CONFESSED

Discovery of Looting Conspiracy by Which Stores Have Been Robbed of Thousands of Dollars—Thieves Were Employees—Two Men Have Confessed.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 11.—Discovery of a gigantic conspiracy by which some of Pittsburg's largest wholesale mercantile houses have been looted of thousands of dollars worth of merchandise has resulted in the arrest of four men.

During the past year thieves, all of whom were employed in the wholesale houses, have stolen at least \$50,000 worth of goods, and their operations are believed to have been confined to the block bounded by Ninth street, Pennsylvania avenue, Tenth street and Fayette street.

At the head of the conspiracy is a master in cunning. Great secrecy is now being maintained by private detectives, who are at work on the case in an effort to capture the leader, whom they expect to land this morning. Two of the arrested men have confessed. Stewart Brothers & Co. have suffered to the extent of \$10,000 within a year, and it was through the efforts of W. L. Stewart that the conspiracy was unearthed.

The employees were discovered taking from the store by cunningly devised schemes goods which they delivered to the confederate who drove up every afternoon and carted the loot away.

## DREDGING IN PAMLICO

### Work on Canal Will Begin in September

Beginning of Great Waterway Between Beaufort and Norfolk—Will Result in Great Increase in Coastwise Trade, Mr. Furst Thinks.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Baltimore, Aug. 11.—Mr. Frank A. Furst, president of the Maryland Dredging Company, says he expects to begin the work of dredging Pamlico Sound about the middle of September.

This project, Mr. Furst says, is but the beginning of a gigantic scheme on the part of the government for opening up an inland waterway from the North Carolina coast to Norfolk, from which point vessels can continue on the inland course up the Chesapeake Bay to this city.

This, he believes, will result in an increased trade with the south in the products of that section, consisting of lumber, cotton, tar, turpentine, and several other commodities for which Baltimore furnishes an active market. In return the local merchants will be given cheap transportation for general merchandise for distribution to the south, by way of this inland course.

## BETTER DAYS FOR SPENCER.

Shops Increase Force. Southern Railway Employees Happy.

(Special to The Times)

Spencer, August, 10.—There can be no doubt as to the panic being over here, and better times coming in the immediate future. The Southern railway shops are opening up again and men who have been idle for six months are again at work. The machine and erecting shops have been increased over fifty per cent., while the blacksmith shop, the boiler shop, the paint shop and other departments are teeming with activity. The round house is working full time. In the shops mentioned above, the men will work six eight-hour days per week. In the car department the men will work five days a week instead of four.

The increase in the force is very pleasing to the people here and means much for Spencer, and the shop men are jubilant.

## Father Ferdinand Guicheteau, The Great Astronomer and His Home



## NEW METHODS OF SHIPPING COTTON

### Measures Proposed Which Will Almost Revolutionize Way of Exporting Staple

## PLAN SHIPPING DIRECT

National Convention of the Farmers' Union Advocate Direct Marketing of the Cotton Crop—Growers Asked to Pledge Their Crop to the Committee.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Memphis, Tenn., Aug. 11.—Measures which bid fair to almost revolutionize the present methods of exporting the cotton crop to the foreign mills and spinners were recommended and heartily indorsed by the farmers' union national convention committee, composed of one man from each cotton state, which met here yesterday. To every member of the union will be sent an agreement for him to sign and forward to the local secretary of the union, pledging his individual support in a direct marketing of the present cotton crop.

The committee strongly advocated shipping direct to the foreign mills and spinners, which they claimed could easily be accomplished by furnishing the same business advantages as the heavy exporter now gives to the mills. The union warehouses which have been established throughout the south were the first step in this direction, and the output through these warehouses will be disposed of by the cotton committee.

The growers have been asked to pledge their cotton to them, and the sales will be apportioned among the states according to the amount pledged. This co-operation, which has practically been pledged by every member of the union, means that the market will not be overfed and the market prices will no longer be controlled by the speculator, and competition among sellers will be done away with.

It was decided that an adjourned meeting be held in Memphis on Saturday, August 29, and that those attending this meeting should go from it to the meeting of the national union in Fort Worth, Texas, on Tuesday, September 1.

Commercial Bar Silver. (By Leased Wire to The Times.) New York, Aug. 11.—Commercial bar silver, 51 1/2 Mexican dollars, 48.

## GERMAN BARON'S PATHETIC DEATH

### Friend of Bismarck Dies in Washington Where He Lived Many Years.

## PRINTING HOUSE CLERK

### Body Laid Away With Simple Exercises and in the Presence of Only a Few Devoted Friends—Came of Proud German Family.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Washington, Aug. 11.—With simple funeral exercises, and accompanied only by a few faithful friends of his declining years, and a single representative of the German embassy, the body of Baron Alexander de Purey-Herve, an aide-de-camp to Bismarck, and member of one of the oldest houses of Germany, was laid to rest in a little cemetery on Bladensburg road yesterday afternoon. Two lilies and a single red rose reposed on the plain coffin. It was his dying request, for the three flowers represented his ancestral coat-of-arms.

A friend and comrade of Bismarck he was numbered among the pride of the German army that participated in the Franco-Prussian war. He married a princess of royal blood, but he erred only, it is said and rather than have the finger of scorn pointed at him by his comrades, he quit the army and came to America. That was 28 years ago. His princess wife divorced him and the little son of whom he was so proud, grew up to forget his father. Today he is an officer in the kaiser's body guard.

In New York, the baron married an actress with whom he fell in love. The family pride of the De Pureys is great and he was disinherited and his allowance of \$300 a week cut off. (Continued on Second Page.)

## SAILORS ENJOY VISIT

### Continued Ovation in Behalf of the American Jackies

Citizens of New Zealand Doing Everything Possible to Make Visit Pleasant to Officers and Men. Shops Doing Great Business in Mementos.

(By Cable to The Times)

Auckland, N. Z., Aug. 11.—Ovations for the officers and crews of the American battleship fleet are making the stay of the jackies here one of the pleasantest in their long cruise. Citizens of New Zealand in both high and low stations of life have striven to make the visit of the American sailors enjoyable in every respect. There have been a number of social diversions planned and the addresses which have been made at the public functions express admiration for the splendid fighting strength of the United States and the peaceful progressiveness of the nation.

Rear Admiral Sperry in responding to a neat address of Premier Joseph Ward, said that he did not think a hostile fleet could ever reach the shores of New Zealand while the premier expressed the pride of the people over the fact that the fleet had stopped at Auckland.

The weather remained delightful and every day many sailors come ashore to walk through the town. They are native born folk. The quaint little shops are doing a great business in the sale of postcards, and mementos of various kinds. The public press commented quite favorably upon the visit of the fleet but stated it fore-heralded a time when the English-speaking race would band together for the supremacy of the Orient.

## Gates Won't Run.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Galveston, Tex., Aug. 11.—John W. Gates has cabled from Europe his declination of the nomination as congressman from the southwest Texas district. He said he would contribute to the national and Texas republican campaign funds.

## BOMBSHELL IN POLITICAL CAMP

### Candidates for County Commissioner Ask for Chairman Gotling's Resignation

## CAUSES A DISCUSSION

Charge That As Attorney For the Present Board and Chairman of Executive Committee He Cannot Act Fair to Both Sides—Mr. Gotling's Reply.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Mr. Geo. E. Hunter hurled a bomb shell into the democratic camp today when he published in the morning paper a letter signed by the new candidates for county commissioners, charging that Mr. Bart M. Gotling is acting as campaign manager for the present board, collecting money for expenses, employing workers for them and in every way possible utilizing his influence as county chairman to defeat other candidates. The article further states that Mr. Hunter was authorized by the new candidates to address a personal letter to Mr. Gotling, calling his attention to the alleged injustice, and that the letter was not answered.

Mr. Hunter, in his personal letter, states to Mr. Gotling that he wishes to call his (Mr. Gotling's) attention to certain acts of his which he thinks are unfair and without excuse. He states to Mr. Gotling that he (Mr. Gotling) is attorney for the present board and personally interested in their success; and that he is using every advantage of his official position to further their cause and defeat the interests of the other candidates.

Mr. Hunter goes on to protest such use of an official position and asks that Mr. Gotling either resign his position as chairman or attorney for the board at once and allow some one to take the chairmanship who can mete out even justice to all aspirants.

Mr. Hunter, during an interview by a Times' reporter, stated that he believed it impossible to fill both positions with absolute fairness to all candidates, and that he tried to bring the matter to Mr. Gotling's personal attention, trusting that it could be adjusted without any publicity whatever. Mr. Gotling, he says, ignored his letter entirely and paid no attention to the protests.

## Mr. Gotling's Reply to Mr. Hunter.

The democratic executive committee of Wake county is composed of thirty-six members, each of whom is chairman of his precinct committee. They elect a chairman to conduct the fight of the party in the county and confer certain powers upon him. Each of the thirty-six members of the committee have long exercised the unquestioned right to champion such men and such measures within the party as they see fit and proper. So long as I do not use any of the powers conferred upon me by the committee for or against any candidate I claim the same right as any other member to vote for and advocate whom I please. In a card published as an advertisement and paid for as such, in today's News and Observer, signed by Mr. Hunter and others, the charge is made that I am using the position of chairman of the party against them. This is not true and they are mistaken. That I am advocating the present board of commissioners is true. I claim that right. Mr. Hunter's friends are advocating him, among them a gentleman anxious to hold my position as county attorney. But no power conferred upon me by the committee is leveled for or against any one. At my request the committee adopted the rule that the chairman should in all cases appoint the pollholders recommended by the precinct committee, and the ywere given until a certain date to hand in their recommendations. In thirty-five out of the thirty-six precincts the pollholders recommended have been appointed; in the other no appointment having been made on Saturday, August 9th, I was compelled to appoint.

This appointment of the pollholders is the only power conferred upon me that I know of which I could use against any one, and I emphatically deny that I have so used it, or any other power given me.

For giving such aid and counsel as I can give as an individual to those whom I am under some obligation, (Continued on Page Seven.)