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BRYAN WAS BEATEN BY CONVENTION

Nebraska Democrats Defeat the Bryan Program by Big Majority

BRYAN MAKES SPEECH

County Option Plank Defeated by a Vote of 647 to 198—Defeat of the "Peerless Leader" Was Especially Bitter Because It Was Administered by His Former Friends—Governor Shallenberger in Complete Control of the Convention—County Option Now An Issue in Nebraska the Republicans and Populists Favoring It.

(By Leased Wire to The Times.)
Grand Island, Neb., July 27.—William Jennings Bryan, thrice the national standard-bearer of the Democratic party was overwhelmingly defeated in the state convention early this morning when by a vote of 647 to 198 the delegates defeated his county option plank.

The vote came after an impassioned speech by Mr. Bryan on the floor of the convention. He was cheered by his supporters, but the volume of sound made by them was small as compared with the mighty cheer that followed the announcement of the vote that took the leadership of his party in Nebraska away from Bryan. The defeat for Bryan was especially bitter in that it was his former friends who, cheering wildly, wrested the leadership from him when they registered their disbelief in his policies.

The principal figures in the fight in the state convention were Bryan, Governor Shallenberger and ex-Mayor James C. Dahlman, of Omaha.

Bryan asked for the adoption of a county option plank, the initiative and referendum and the elimination of the brewers from politics. He got only the initiative and referendum.

Shallenberger opposed county option; asked an endorsement of his administration, the initiative and referendum and an endorsement of the eight o'clock closing law. He got everything he asked for.

Dahlman asked for a specific stand against the county option law, but failed to score a point.

As matters stand, Shallenberger was completely victorious.

C. J. Smith, who was named for

SPAIN RIVEN BY INDUSTRIAL WAR

(By Cable to The Times)

Madrid, July 27.—With Spain riven by industrial war and the revolutionary situation acute, fighting broke out today with several points between republicans and clericals; the troops taking a hand.

Many of the reported injured, for the most part in Catalonia, particularly Barcelona. Bilbao was also a center of disorder. The anniversary of the declaration of the Spanish republic in 1873 coming today when the excitement over the first anniversary of the Ferrer case's climax is at its height, has caused great alarm to the conservative and governmental classes. The clericals are further inflamed by the crisis between Premier Canalejas and King Alfonso and the Vatican.

It was reported today that the government was prepared to order the first reserve, composed of citizens who have served their time in the army, to prepare for action, supplementing the regular army.

Republicans at many towns and cities, defying the authorities, held demonstrations today most of them of an extremely radical character.

General Weyler of Cuban war fame, now captain general of Catalonia, had 55,000 troops in readiness for action in and about Barcelona.

Many authorities were arrested there. Individual clashes were reported in the dispatches received early today and by noon it was estimated that the total number of injured was more than 100.

Services were held over the grave of Castelar, leader of the ill-fated republic of 72.

BLACKMAILED HIS AUNT

Mr. Johns Arrested On a Serious Charge

First Demanded \$500—Later Cut it Down to \$250—Was Arrested When He Presented Check at the Bank—Member of an Excellent Family.

Mr. Thomas Johns, a member of a prominent family, was arrested yesterday by Postoffice Inspector Kelly on the charge of using the mails for the purpose of blackmailing his aunt, Mrs. Thomas B. Johns, of West Raleigh.

Some time ago Mrs. Thomas B. Johns received a letter that was intended for Thomas Johns, relative to the Eccles estate in Charlotte, in which the latter is one of the heirs. Mrs. Johns either mislaid or destroyed this letter, whereupon Thomas Johns wrote her telling her that if she did not give him \$500 he would prosecute her for destroying his letter. She carried the letter to Postmaster Briggs, who turned the matter over to Inspector Kelly. The inspector told Mrs. Johns to keep quiet and she would probably receive another letter. Sure enough a few days later she received another letter from her nephew, saying that if she would send him \$250 he would not prosecute her, but if she didn't he would place the matter in the hands of the proper authorities.

Under the instructions of Inspector Kelly Mrs. Johns wrote a letter and enclosed a check drawn on the Raleigh Banking and Trust Company in favor of Thomas Johns. This letter was registered and mailed at the West-Raleigh postoffice Monday afternoon. The inspector kept watch on the letter and knew the very minute that Thomas received it. From then on he was shadowed by the officers.

Yesterday when the Raleigh Banking and Trust Company opened, Thomas Johns, closely followed by Inspector Kelly and Deputy Marshal Ward, entered the bank and presented the check for payment. When the teller began to count out the money Inspector Kelly and Deputy Ward stepped forward and arrested Thomas.

He was carried before United States Commissioner Nichols, who required a bond of \$500 for his appearance in commissioner's court this afternoon at 2 o'clock, in default of which he was committed to jail.

Johns has communicated with his relatives and has retained Mr. Charles U. Harris to defend him.

Johns was employed at the Seaboard Air Line freight office and was boarding at Mrs. Hunter's on Oakwood Avenue. He is a member of one of the county's best families. His father, Mr. John A. Johns, is a well-respected and prosperous farmer of southern Wake. His uncle, Mr. Thomas Johns, was for many years member of the county board of education, and has been president of the Wake County Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina. He was related to the late H. C. Eccles, the well-known hotel man of Charlotte, and it is said he will receive \$1,000 from this estate.

MUST TAKE A BATH.

Aurora Must Bathe at Least Once a Week.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)

Aurora, Ill., July 27.—Aurora residents, especially foreigners, are ordered in a list of rules just issued by the board of health and signed by the mayor and chief of police, to take a bath once a week or be arrested. Copies of the order are to be placed in all of the boarding houses and houses of foreigners in Aurora. The rule fixing the number of baths that a man shall take is only one of fifteen or twenty issued by the board of health.

Women are told to scrub their floors once every week, sweep all carpets, air bedrooms and keep yards clean or be arrested.

One rule says that only two shall be allowed to sleep in a bed.

TRAIN RAN OVER BABIES.

Mrs. Montello Pushed Babies in Front of Train Which She Failed to Stop.

Chicago, July 27.—Mrs. Petro Montello, failing to see the approach of an on-rushing passenger train wheeled the baby carriage containing her twin sons, one year old, on the track in front of it yesterday afternoon was unable to snatch them back and saw the carriage and her babies hurled 75 feet in the air. When she reached them one of the twins, Guido, was playing in the sand but the other, Joseph, was dead. The accident occurred at the 37th street crossing 10 miles east of Hammond, Ind., and the train was the Erie flyer.



MOB ATTACKS TRAIN

Entire Train of Six Cars Ditched

Situation At South Bend, the Centre of Strike Disturbances, Does Not Improve—Strikers Have Threatened Non-union Crews—Cars Rolled Into Ditch.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
South Bend, Ind., July 27.—Mob attacks on a freight train, ending with the ditching of the entire train of six cars and an unsuccessful effort to kidnap were the chief happenings of the last twenty-four hours in the strike on the Grand Trunk Railroad. It is feared that the climax will be reached today. Strikers have threatened to kill all non-union crews.

The wrecking of the freight train was forecasted by the strike sympathizers when the half dozen cars heavily loaded with emergency freight and under a heavy guard of special officers, left South Bend.

At Kingsbury the train was met near the station by a big mob of sympathetic friends of the strikers, who derailed the cars and rolled all into the ditch along the right of way.

An attack on the non-union crew occurred last night when passenger train No. 13, due at 8:40 p. m., arrived. The police had learned in advance that the strike sympathizers had a plan arranged whereby the crew was to be kidnapped.

Despite the heavily armed police who lined the tracks as the passenger train pulled into the station, the mob made a rush for the train and the police were so close to the cars that they could do little to protect themselves or the crew from the charge. Several shots were fired by persons in the crowd, and one man, believed to have been armed, was seized by the police. The crew stepped down among the officers and succeeded in gaining the baggage room of the station. More strike-breakers are to be imported from Chicago tonight and tomorrow.

ADmirAL MARKHAM.

Admiral Markham, of the British navy and his wife, Lady Markham, and their daughter, Miss Joy Markham, who recently arrived in New York from Southampton, on his way to Great Barrington, Mass., where he and his family will spend several months with Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Pierson.

BATTLE BETWEEN FRENCH AND TURKS.

(By Cable to The Times.)
Constantinople, July 27.—A deadly battle, in which the casualties numbered hundreds, has been fought by the French and the Turkish troops on the Tunis-Tripoli frontier, according to semi-official reports received here today.

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STEDMAN GETS THE NOMINATION IN FIFTH DISTRICT.

(Special to The Times)
Greensboro, July 27.—The fifth district convention on the 43rd ballot, after all night session, at eleven o'clock this morning nominating Maj. Charles M. Stedman as the democratic candidate for congress, the vote being 27, necessary to nominate 24.

THE FIGHT PICTURES.

Moving Picture Man Will Seek Aid of Law.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Chicago, July 27.—Unless Mayor Busse consents to the exhibition of the Jeffries-Johnson fight pictures in Chicago, Aaron J. Jones, known as the "king of the silent drama," will institute mandamus proceedings in the courts against the mayor and chief of police in an effort to compel the issuance of the necessary permit. Jones has paid \$50,000 for the exclusive rights to the Reno fight pictures in Illinois.

THIRTY-FIVE WOMEN DEAD.

(By Cable to The Times.)
Salonica, July 27.—Thirty-five women are known to be dead and several others are missing as the result of the collapse of a bathing pavilion at Kavala, according to dispatches received today. Many were fatally injured. The pavilion was used only by women.

WOMAN'S BODY FOUND.

Newport, Ore., July 27.—A woman's body, which had been cut up, put into a sack and thrown into the bay, was found here last night. The body had been in the water for several months.



FARMERS ADJOURN

Finished Up Work of Convention and Adjourned

All Morning Spent in Executive Session Except for Thirty Minutes Given to Dr. D. H. Hill's Speech—Convention Adopted Resolutions and Transacted Much Important Business.

The convention of the North Carolina branch of the Farmers' Union, which has been in session here since yesterday morning, completed its work and adjourned today at noon. A great amount of business of interest to the farmers was transacted. There was a secret session this morning until 10 o'clock, when the public was admitted to hear a speech by Dr. D. H. Hill. After this the convention again went into a secret session and remained in it until the adjournment.

Resolutions were adopted thanking the A. & M. officials and the city of Raleigh for the many courtesies shown the delegates. It is learned that several important matters relating to the union were acted upon.

At 10 o'clock the doors were opened to the public, and Dr. D. H. Hill, president of A. & M. College, was introduced and made a most interesting address, his theme being the education of the boys and girls on the farms.

The speaker said a great change had come over the farming conditions of the country. The farmers are not content to sit still, but try to make the soil yield all it can. He related an incident in connection with the Batts corn yield of last year, where one of the competitors remarked that he was beaten this year but would get him next year.

One of the causes of this change was reading papers and magazines, and becoming better informed. Another reason was the necessity to increase the production because the population was growing. A third reason is that the farmers are traveling and seeing what their neighbors are doing and becoming better informed. Because of all these the farmer is becoming more efficient. A farmer becomes efficient when he learns to love the farm, and when other boys are taught to love the farm then we will have reached a period of efficient farming.

Another sign of efficiency is economy, though not stinginess. Though you may have the gray appearing in your hair, don't quit, for you never get too old to learn. When the cotton mill man sees a piece of machinery that will save time, labor or money, he quickly procures it, but this has not always been true with the farmer. If his neighbor has a better piece of machinery or some improved method, hasten to adopt that. Another sign of efficiency is ability to judge soils, and the man who knows most about the soil is the most capable farmer. A man will be efficient when he knows live stock and how to get the best results from this. It used to be the custom to feed hogs corn and acorns, neither of which should be fed in great quantities. A man should not only know his soil and how to manage live stock, but should be able to care for his crops after planted. He should study plant life, and get in position to work his crops most effectively.

Dr. Hill told of the little country of Denmark, how it had become the richest country, per capita, in the world because of its farming methods.

"Don't you farmers stand back and say that agriculture ought to be taught, but say that it must be taught. If your county superintendent of public instruction isn't put agricultural text books in your schools, tell him he must step aside and make room for some one who will. See that agricultural text books in your schools. The greatest monument you can leave to the world is the education of your boys and girls in agriculture."

President Alexander stated that the great speech of Dr. Hill had found home in every heart and that he should not let it cool off. He said he felt that influences had been set at work that would accomplish wonders to the farmers.

HEADLESS BODY OF WOMAN FOUND.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
New York, July 27.—The headless body of a woman without any clothing was found in the bay off Stapleton, S. I., today. The authorities decided that the body must have been in the water at least two months.

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Cashier Who Got \$680,000 Believed to Have Been Seen in Maine.

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Several persons who talked with him have been examined with the result that the belief of the police has been strengthened.

The couple, on their arrival, went to the Johnson house, where they died. The signature on the register is illegible, but will probably be sent to a handwriting expert. It is believed that from here the couple went direct to New Brunswick.

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FIREMEN HOLD BIG PARADE TODAY

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New Bern, July 27.—After yesterday's big events, at which twenty thousand spectators looked on, the State Firemen took possession of the city this morning and held their monster street parade. It was one of the greatest ever seen here.

The various cities of the state were represented by their fire companies and the floats in the line of march gave added interest to the parade. An accident to the big float of the New Bern Company was, fortunately, without very serious results.

The frame work on which fifteen young ladies were seated collapsed into a mass of wreckage while turning a corner.

The contests for the \$1,500 in prizes begin late this afternoon by the horse wagon contests. Seats for 2,500 are in the grand stand erected on George street near where the Royal Governor Tryon's palace stood.

The German American Alliance was organized at the opera house at noon today, Hon. J. D. Cappelman, of Charleston, S. C., presided. Many Germans are present, a delegation of 200 coming from Wilmington.

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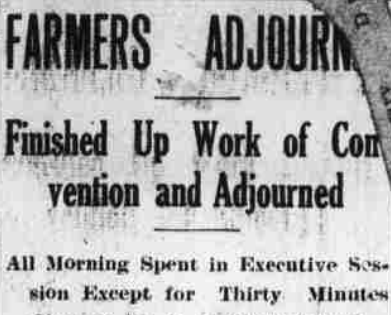
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OHIO STATE REPUBLICANS ENDORSE TAFT

Conservatives Write the Platform With Endorsement of Administration

DEFENDS TARIFF LAW

Committee on Resolutions Was Captured by the Old Guard and the Platform Contains Many of the Principles of the Conservative Element—A Complete Endorsement for the Taft Administration, Including the Payne-Aldrich Tariff Bill.

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Columbus, O., July 26.—Peace spread its wings over the republican state convention to-day after all indications had pointed to bitter warfare over the nomination for governor and the platform.

The platform praising the Payne-Aldrich tariff bill was adopted without opposition. A hot fight had been expected from James R. Garfield and his followers.

Despite all predictions the name of Garfield was not presented to the convention. Neither was that of Carmi A. Thompson. Only two names were offered—those of Warren G. Harding, ex-lieutenant governor, and Judge O. B. Brown.

Harding was supposed to have the support of the Foraker-Taft forces while Brown was favored by the Cox men.

Garfield would not let his name be presented as a candidate for governor on a conservative platform, and his withdrawal was not much of a surprise.

Garfield's withdrawal did not prevent supporting delegations from voting for him in the convention however.

The delegates of the convention suddenly awoke to the realization that only two candidates for governor were before the convention. Amid confusion there was a re-alignment of forces, and the lieutenants of both Judge Brown and Harding were busy among the delegates which had been pledged for other candidates.

Senator Dick, Walter F. Brown, state chairman, and other leaders immediately went over to the side of Judge Brown. Harding was in the lead when the smaller counties that top the list were called. Cuyahoga County, the home of Senator Burton, gave Harding 10 votes, Brown 10 votes, and Nicholas Longworth 75.

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AVIATOR SEYMOUR HAS NARROW ESCAPE

(By Leased Wire to The Times)
Hempstead, N. Y., July 27.—For the third time in his brief career of three months as an aviator, Joseph Seymour, formerly a famous automobile, escaped death today when his aeroplane crashed to the ground in the aerodrome here while traveling at a speed of forty-six miles an hour. The speed mania was responsible for the accident.

The machine was only twenty feet in the air at the time and although it was wrecked Seymour had a wonderful escape from injury. He was hurled many feet through the air, but fell on a pile of soft earth so that he escaped with only a few bruises.

Seymour was trying out a new engine which he recently placed in his airplane with the hope that a speed of more than sixty miles an hour would be attained.

WILL SPANK MASHERS.

St. Paul, Minn., July 27.—Hereafter masher and rowdies in Minneapolis parks will be spanked instead of arrested. There will be no fast ride to the station; no arraignment in police court, no fine and no workhouse. Instead the masher or rowdy will be publicly laid across the knee of the nearest park policeman and "licked" good and hard until the offender shows a desire to reform. The spanking edict was sent out by Chief of the park police Kingsley.