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## THE BIG FIGHT TODAY IN NEW JERSEY

### GENERAL IMPRESSION IS THAT ROOSEVELT WILL CARRY STATE.

Both Roosevelt and Taft Men Claim It However.—Impartial Observers Give Taft Twelve and Roosevelt Sixteen Delegates, and Four at Large.—Wilson is Practically Unopposed, and Will Have All of the 28 Delegates.—Polls Open From 9 p. m.

Newark, N. J., May 28.—The general impression among politicians is that Roosevelt will defeat Taft in New Jersey's preference vote today, and that the delegation to Chicago will be divided. Both Roosevelt and Taft men claimed they would sweep the State.

Impartial observers give Taft twelve delegates and Roosevelt sixteen, including the control of the State convention and four delegates at large. Governor Wilson is practically unopposed and it is believed that he will get all of the twenty-eight delegates. The polls are open from one to nine this evening. It is a perfect day here.

Roosevelt Again Becomes an Editor.  
New York, May 28.—Roosevelt suspended campaign activities today and became contributing editor. He is in good physical condition. He refused to predict the outcome of today's New Jersey primaries, but it is known that he is confident of getting a majority of the twenty-eight delegates.

Taft Campaigns Up to Hour of Opening Polls.  
Atlantic City, N. J., May 28.—Until nearly one o'clock this morning President Taft walked the almost deserted boardwalk, expanding his lungs and relaxing after a strenuous mass meeting on the Young pier. The President upset another precedent by campaigning today up to the very hour of the opening of the polls.

Hadley Accepts.  
Jefferson City, Mo., May 28.—Governor Hadley, of Missouri, Roosevelt's choice for temporary chairmanship of the Republican national convention, today wrote to Roosevelt accepting the nomination.

CONCORD MANUFACTURERS  
WIN A SIGNAL VICTORY.  
Cotton Rates From Mississippi to Be Same as Greenville Enjoys.  
Washington, May 27.—Cotton manufacturers of Concord, won a signal victory before the Interstate Commerce Commission today when the court decreed that the manufacturers and those who operate in territory contiguous to Concord are entitled to the same rates as Greenville cotton men have on shipments of cotton, originating on the lines of the Mobile & Ohio Railroad in Mississippi.

Hereafter the rate on cotton from Stoneville and other towns in Mississippi, shall be identical with the rate which applies from Mississippi points to Greenville.

The rates have heretofore been much lower to Greenville in that the South Carolina town enjoyed the benefits of a lower long haul than intermediate rates from Mississippi points, Concord will now have this same advantage.

An Important Decision.  
A very important decision affecting North Carolina was handed down by the Supreme Court today. The North Carolina law fixing railroads \$20 a day for refusing to accept freight for shipment was declared unconstitutional in the Burlington Lumber Company's suit against the Southern.

The North Carolina Supreme Court held that the law was not an interference with the interstate commerce act a provision absent from the Hepburn act.

May Increase Reward for Sidna Allen  
Greensboro, N. C., May 27.—With a view of making the price of Sidna Allen's head a sufficient incentive to cause a renewal of the activities of regular officers and possibly entice special detectives into the chase, an effort will be made by officials of the United States District Court here to have the government offer a supplemental reward of \$5,000 for the capture of the leader of the band of Virginia outlaws, who shot up the Carroll county court, and for which crime Floyd Allen is now under sentence of death.

Sidna is under a \$5,000 bond to appear at the regular term of United States District Court, which convened here today. Allen had been convicted in this court for perjury in connection with evidence given in a case in which he was charged with counterfeiting. He was convicted on the perjury charge and sentenced by Judge Boyd to serve a term in the Federal prison.

### KENTUCKY DEMOCRATS MEET.

Indications Are That the Undoubted Preference is for Champ Clark.  
Louisville, Ky., May 28.—Kentucky's twenty-six delegates to the Democratic national convention will be selected in this city tomorrow. The State convention, which will name the four delegates-at-large, will be preceded earlier in the day by the conventions of the eleven congressional districts, the delegates to which will serve later as the 1224 delegates to the State convention.

Kentucky has no favorite son in the field for the presidential nomination, but the sentiments expressed by the party leaders now assembled in the city indicate that the undoubted preference is for Champ Clark, who is a native of the Blue Grass State. For a time Woodrow Wilson appeared to have the call in Kentucky, but the controversy between the New Jersey governor and Henry Watterson changed the situation materially. As Wilson stood has declined, Clark's stock has risen. Governor Harmon is not regarded as a factor in the contest, while Congressman Underwood, who, like Mr. Clark, is a native of Kentucky, has not solicited the support of the Democrats in this State.

The Clark supporters are preparing to fight hard to have tomorrow's conventions instructed for the Speaker. But in spite of these aggressive efforts, it appears possible that the wish of some of the prominent leaders that Kentucky's delegation go unattached to Baltimore may be realized.

It is expected that the big fight in the convention will be, not over the selection of delegates to Baltimore or on the question of instructing the delegation, but over the control of the State organization. The fight between Henry Watterson and Senator-elect Oblie James on one hand and former Governor Beckman and Gen. Percy Halcy on the other.

Demands of Railroad Clerks.  
Boston, Mass., May 28.—The 15,000 clerks employed by Eastern railroads are demanding the establishment of the eight-hour work-day, a wage minimum of \$2.25, time and a half for overtime, extra pay for holidays, a 15-day vacation annually, and a general wage increase for all of at least 25 cents a day. These demands will form the chief subject of discussion at the biennial international convention of the Brotherhood of Railroad Clerks, which will meet in this city next week with an attendance of delegates from all parts of the United States, Canada and Mexico. The legislative committee of the brotherhood, of which W. E. Bowen, of New Orleans, is chairman, will meet here tomorrow to complete its report and recommendations.

Coler & Co. Buy a Railroad.  
Announcement is made that W. N. Coler & Co., of New York, last week purchased the Piedmont Railway which runs from Thomasville to Denton, a distance of 22 miles. The new owners of the Piedmont Railway, it may be observed, are the same who own the Salisbury electric car lines, the Concord, the High Point line and the Greensboro Street Railway, and known as the North Carolina Public Service Company.

The Piedmont Railway was Capt. M. C. Jones' road and since his death has been in the hands of his executors.

Kentucky Dries Meet.  
Louisville, Ky., May 28.—Many women are among the delegates to the State convention of the Kentucky Prohibition party, which was called to order here this morning for the purpose of nominating delegates to the National Prohibition Convention to be held in Atlantic City on July 10, and to name State congressional candidates and presidential electors. For the first time in the history of this State that members of the Women's Christian Temperance Union enjoyed the right to vote at a State convention.

Salary Basis in Rowan.  
At the Rowan Democratic convention Saturday the following was adopted: "Resolved, That it is the sense of this convention that the county officials be placed on a salary basis, and that the representatives in the House and Senate be instructed to draw and enact a law accordingly."

The resolution pledging the convention to the third term rule for county officers was carried by a large majority, the people in the country districts being especially strong for it.

Mechanical Engineers Meet.  
Cleveland, O., May 28.—The annual spring meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers began in this city today. There are about 250 delegates here, and many more are expected before the real business of the meeting is taken up tomorrow. The membership of the society exceeds 3,000 and includes prominent engineers living in all parts of the country.

Don't fail to see "The Law on the Lady," a Vitagraph drama at the Theatorma, today.

### CINCOS GO DOWN BEFORE THE KIDS.

Nine Juvenile Ball Tossers Wallop the Big Boys to the Tune of 9 to 6.  
Nine little juvenile ball tossers, James Lapeyle, Jack Wadsworth, Watson Smoot, Gray Post, James Hurley, James Elliott, Ross McConnell, Robert Ridenhour and "Fitz" Sappenfeld, defeated the Cincos yesterday afternoon in a practice game at the Cincos park by the score of 9 to 6.

Without detracting from the youngsters good work it is only fair for the Cincos to say that it was a practice game and they attempted to work their new signals. Their inside stuff was on the punk order, however, and judging by their performance it will take considerable hard work for them to get the "dope" straight and not gum the inside stuff with an injection of the "bonehead." Ross Cannon, Kay Patterson and Ray Bell occupied the mound for the big boys, dividing it up into three inning works. Cannon and Patterson made no effort to get loose, lobbing them over. The little boys took advantage of this and smote 'em on the nose, affording all the fielding practice needed for one afternoon. Here in where the Cincos showed up woefully weak, the little fellows putting up a superior game in this particular. Bell put more stuff on the ball while he prosided over the mound and the kids went scoreless throughout his regime.

The game was featured by two classy catches by Elliott in the left field fence. Little "Fitz" Sappenfeld also pitched well. The Cincos will play Kannapolis at the new park tomorrow afternoon. Bell and Morris will form the battery for the Cincos and Anderson and Willett for the visitors. The game will be called at 4 o'clock.

GRADED SCHOOL MATTERS.  
Teachers for Next Year Chosen.—Mr. Clarence Norman and Miss Sudi Smith New Teachers.

The school board held an important meeting last night, teachers for the coming year being elected. Prof. A. S. Webb, the capable head of the city schools, was re-elected superintendent. All former teachers who applied were re-elected.

Miss Nita Gressitt, who has been a popular member of the corps of teachers here for the past three years, had previously accepted a position at the Raleigh High School at a larger salary, and did not apply. Mr. Clarence Norman, who graduates with honors at the State University, was elected to fill the vacancy in the High School.

Miss Mary King was elected to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Grace Patterson. Miss Pearl Barrier, who has been teaching at No. 2 school for two years, declining re-election and Miss Sudi H. Smith was elected to fill the vacancy. Miss Smith will graduate at Converse College at the approaching commencement.

Miss Addie White was elected principal of the primary department of No. 2 school.

Sunday School Workers to Parade.  
Elgin, Ill., May 28.—Sunday school workers from every section of the State are in attendance at the 54th annual State convention of the Illinois Sunday schools, which opened here today for a session extending over three days. Bishop Samuel Falows and many noted church and Sunday school workers are among the speakers scheduled to address the convention will be the big parade of the organized men's class on Thursday evening.

**During Sleep Nature Repairs the Human Engine**  
If you are one of the "Sleepless Squad," let us suggest that you avoid coffee and tea, and have a cup of steaming hot POSTUM before retiring. It has soothed the tired nerves and brought peaceful refreshing sleep in many, many cases. The activities of the day cause more or less waste of tissue which is repaired at night during sleep. The man or woman who sleeps well at night is sure of the necessary repairs, other things being right, to make each day a time of usefulness and living a joy.

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## TITANIC COMMITTEE MAKES FINAL REPORT

### ALL MIGHT HAVE BEEN SAVED BUT FOR NEGLIGENCE OF CALIFORNIAN.

Ship Was Rushing at a Speed of 24 1/2 Knots an Hour When She Hit the Iceberg.—Four Warnings of Ice Ahead Were Ignored by Titanic's Officers.—Eight Vessels Were Near Titanic, and Only Carpathia Gave Assistance.—News of Disaster Suppressed.

Washington, May 28.—How 1,517 lives were sacrificed on the Grand Banks of Newfoundland on the night of April 14, and but 706 souls saved, was told in the senate today when the investigating committee, headed by Senator William Alden Smith, of Michigan, filed its formal report. The principal findings are: That the Titanic was rushing at a speed of 24 1/2 knots per hour when she crashed into the iceberg.

That all might have been saved but for the negligence or indifference of the steamer Californian to the Titanic's distress signals.

That four warnings of ice ahead were ignored by the Titanic's officers. That eight vessels were near the Titanic and only the Carpathia gave assistance.

That there was no panic, but that a short error, poorly drilled and poorly commanded, only partially manned twenty lifeboats.

That news of the disaster was suppressed by the White Star Line. The report contained no word of criticism of J. Bruce Ismay. The committee recommended increased life saving equipments for all vessels, regulations for wireless telegraphy, restrictions for manning vessels, search lights and revolutionary reform in ship construction.

Roosevelt Threatens a Rough House at Chicago.  
Washington, May 27.—Col. Roosevelt has frightened the Taft managers by threatening to "smite a rough house at Chicago if everything does not go his way. The Colonel has vowed he would stand for strong arm work. He will not accept Senator Root as temporary chairman, but will name Senator Clapp instead.

The committee on arrangements was "darned," said a Roosevelt lieutenant today. "It is packed, and we will have none of it." That is the attitude of the Roosevelt people toward the committee of seven on arrangements. Colonel Roosevelt will not accept the decision of the national committee, unless it seats his delegates in the contests. His workers declare openly that they will turn out the Taft members of the national committee and elect Roosevelt men.

Gomez Says Rebellion Has Been Put Down.  
President Gomez in a statement today asserted that all traces of the Cuban rebellion have been extinguished except in nine townships of Orient in which the government will have within two or three days a well armed force of nine thousand including volunteers, many of whom are skilled in guerilla warfare. He expresses full confidence that the government forces will soon prove their ability to scatter the rebels to the woods and mountains without requiring American assistance.

A petition is being circulated today among the property holders of West Depot street asking them to subscribe ten cents per front foot to have asphalt binder put down on that street also. Most of the property owners have signed the petition.

### TAFT IS STEADILY LOSING GROUND.

New Candidate Talk Heard; Colonel Counts on Stamped.  
The figures below, published in the Richmond Times-Dispatch, are based on the records of delegates instructed, pledged or who have expressed preferences, and do not take into account rumors advanced by either side as to desertions and changes.

Republican.  
Instructed for, pledged or favorable to:  
Taft . . . . . 484  
Roosevelt . . . . . 424  
La Follette . . . . . 36  
Cummins . . . . . 10  
Uncertain . . . . . 60  
Yet to be chosen . . . . . 60  
Needed to give Taft a majority . . . . . 52  
Needed to give Roosevelt a majority . . . . . 116  
Democratic.  
Instructed for, pledged or favorable to:  
Clark . . . . . 300  
Wilson . . . . . 199  
Underwood . . . . . 85  
Harmon . . . . . 53  
Scatter . . . . . 54  
Uncertain . . . . . 167  
Yet to be chosen . . . . . 236  
Needed to give Clark two-thirds . . . . . 429  
Needed to give Wilson two-thirds . . . . . 530  
Needed to give Underwood two-thirds . . . . . 644  
Louis Seibold in the New York World gives the Republican situation as follows:  
Taft . . . . . 527  
Roosevelt . . . . . 441  
La Follette . . . . . 36  
Cummins . . . . . 10  
To be elected . . . . . 64

Dr. Misener Has One Chance in a Hundred.  
Charlotte Observer.  
Dr. Fred Misener is in a desperate condition at the Presbyterian hospital, where he was taken immediately after being stabbed at the Buford hotel Saturday. Pneumonia developed in the right lung yesterday, combined with the loss of blood and a general state of reduced vitality rendered his condition as serious as could be imagined. The use of a saline solution was resorted to yesterday afternoon in the hope that the chasm might be bridged until his system could rally sufficiently to resist the strain, but the development of pneumonia added extra complications. At an early hour this morning, the physicians, while stating that Dr. Misener was holding his own, held forth little hope of his recovery. They say that he has about one chance in a hundred.

Claude Blackwell, of Kershaw, who stabbed Dr. Misener, is being held without bail pending the outcome of his injuries.

Mr. Maurice Costello will play judge in the Vitagraph drama at the Theatorma today.

CAPITAL	\$100,000
SURPLUS	\$3,000

## New Accounts

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### CABARRUS SALES DAY.

First One Will Be Monday, June 3.—To Be Held at Cotton Platform.  
Mr. Editor: Since promoting this sales day for Cabarrus county, I have had numerous inquiries as to how it will be conducted and what will be sold. I wish to state that the sale will be conducted at the county cotton platform, Monday June 3rd and will begin promptly at 10 o'clock a. m. and will continue as long as there is anything offered for sale. Mr. H. G. Ritz will be the auctioneer and some one will act as clerk and keep a record of both the owners and purchasers of the property. This being the first sale it will be conducted without cost to the persons offering property for sale. As to what will be sold, I will state that anything that is presented to the clerk will be sold. Should the owner not care to take the price bid he can purchase same himself. I have had inquiries from people who want cows, wagons, pigs, horses, and one man said he wanted a squirrel for his boy. I sincerely hope that the people of Cabarrus will come out on this day and make this sale a success. We hope to hold these sales the first Monday in each month and I feel sure that they will prove profitable to both owner and purchaser. Anyone wishing to list property for this sale between now and the sale can do so by seeing Mr. Ritz.

Respectfully,  
W. A. FOIL.

### TWO DREADNOUGHTS A DAY.

Many Democrats Expected to Bolt Action of Party Caucus Declaring Against Them.  
Washington, May 28.—The House had the biggest attendance today for weeks when that section of the naval appropriation which bill provides no appropriation for more dreadnaughts came up. The opponents of two battle ships a year programme are to put up a hard fight. Many Democrats are expected to bolt the party caucus that declared against more dreadnaughts.

The State Meeting of the King's Daughters.  
Mrs. A. E. Lentz is chairman of the committee to secure homes for the delegates to the King's Daughters convention here on June 12th. This committee will wait upon the good people of Concord, in a few days but in the meantime if those who will entertain would phone Mrs. Lentz their pleasure in the matter, the work of the committee could be more satisfactorily completed.

Wilbur Wright is Just Alive.  
Dayton, Ohio, May 28.—Wilbur Wright, the aviator inventor, after a night between life and death of typhoid fever, was making a final stand today. Little hope is left. Only his remarkable vitality is keeping him alive.

Go to the Pastime tonight and see "Pawnee Love" an Indian drama.

## 103 PERSONS ARE BURNED TO DEATH

### IN A MOVING PICTURE SHOW IN SPAIN LAST NIGHT.

The Unfortunate Ones Were Mostly Women and Children.—Many of the Injured Will Die.—Panic Was Created by the Few Exits.

Villa Real, Spain, May 28.—One hundred and three persons, mostly young women and children, were burned to death in a fire in a moving picture theatre here last night. Many of the injured will die. A panic was created by the few exits in the swinging doors.

STREET CAR FORCE ON DOUBLE TIME.  
Putting in New Curve Track at the Square.—Work Then to Begin on Main Street.

The street car force is making double time putting in the track in the business portion of town. The squad of hands is now at work at the square, putting in the curve track. When this is completed the work will be started down South Union and those in charge state that it will require only a short time to finish this part of the track.

While this work is going on West Depot street is blocked. On account of the narrowness of the street it is impossible to put down the track and keep the street open at the same time. While the work is in progress most of the Depot street traffic is being handled on West Corbin.

Dr. Wiley is Ill.  
Washington, May 28.—Dr. Harvey Wiley, the pure food champion, is sick in bed of lagrippe. He passed a restless night, but the attending physician regards the attack as not being serious. Dr. Wiley was taken sick Friday at Beaumont, Va.

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