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CONVENTION TOMORROW

New York Republicans Gathering at Saratoga

WILL BE A FIGHT

Saratoga, N. Y., Sept. 26.—If the progressives under the leadership of Theodore Roosevelt win their fight against the old guard for control of the Republican State convention, which opens tomorrow, it will be after a battle on the convention floor. It is unlikely that an attempt will be made to repeal the State committee on the Roosevelt-Sherman chairmanship controversy at its meeting tonight.

This is the situation as outlined by President Lloyd C. Griscom, of the New York County Republican Committee shortly after his arrival here. It indicates that the progressives are doubtful of their ability to control the State committee and that they prefer to take no chance on having the committee reject Mr. Roosevelt a second time, thinking it safer to leave the solution of the problem to the convention itself, of which they claim they control by a large majority.

The minimum Roosevelt vote is placed by Mr. Griscom at 570, while Cornelius V. Collins, of Troy, who is lining up the Roosevelt forces, placed the figures at 583 with new recruits constantly coming.

State Chairman Woodruff declared there was little change in the situation and that the contest would be close.

Mr. Griscom retold last night the circumstances leading up to the presentation of Colonel Roosevelt's name at the State Committee meeting on August 16th. He had been shown an editorial in Mr. Barneys' Albany paper in which appeared this statement:

"The argument advanced by Mr. Griscom that the members of the State Committee who voted for Mr. Sherman were deceived, is simply a plain lie."

The New York chairman reiterated his former statement that reception had been practiced in regard to President Taft's position on the temporary chairmanship by the old guard leaders but further than this he made no comment.

While the progressives are confident of electing Colonel Roosevelt as temporary chairman the greater struggle, they say, will come in the resolutions over the direct primary question.

Asked about candidates, Mr. Griscom thought the up-State section should have the preference in naming the candidate.

"But," he added, "whoever is selected must measure fully up to the standard of some good men we have down in New York—Henry L. Stimson, William S. Bennett and Seth Low, for instance."

Lightning Fires Catholic Orphanage.

Raleigh, N. C., Sept. 26.—Lightning struck the cross on the tower of the church at the Roman Catholic Orphanage at Nazareth, in Raleigh's suburbs Saturday, and set it and the tower afire. It blazed like a torch but the Raleigh firemen went two miles, laid 2,000 feet of hose from the Central Hospital for Epileptics, and saved the building, except the top of the tower. The church was slightly damaged by water.

Prominent Floridian Assassinated.

Ocala, Fla., Sept. 26.—Nick Myers, a prominent citizen of this county, was assassinated Saturday near his home by unknown persons. Bloodhounds have been secured and placed on the trail of the assassins.

Against Stock Watering.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 26.—"Stock watering and legislation against stock watering have been talked about for twenty years, and I am determined to see if there is any virtue in legislation on this subject," said Governor Marshall in a statement in regard to the suit, instigated by him, which was filed at Logansport, asking that the charter of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company be revoked on the ground that it had been obtained by misrepresentation.

"The Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company of Indiana, is a mere farce," continued the Governor, "designed to evade the railroad commission of Indiana and the State Board of Tax Commissioners. The Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Company of Virginia, the foreign corporation arraigned in our complaint as contemplating the stock jobbing, and stock juggling, has mortgaged for \$40,000,000 the property of the Chicago, Cincinnati and Louisville Railroad Company, which its agents bought at receiver's sale a few weeks ago for \$5,000,000 as we allege. This \$40,000,000 the company claims is to cover a bond issue in equal amount. This suit so far as I know is the first to be filed in Indiana to test a corporation's right to distribute watered stock to an innocent public.

Gore Won Everybody in Old The North State.

(Greensboro Telegram.)

This old town rang yesterday with the praise of Senator Gore's speech Tuesday night. Men who had heard Vance said that Gore's style of speaking was like Vance's, which was a great compliment indeed. The coming of a man like Gore into a community should be and is an influence for good. The Senator is a man who has made the most of his opportunities. What he has done he has done the best he knew. With the most of us the disposition to hurry through with our work and to do it in a slovenly manner is rather strong. Mr. Gore evidently has the infinite capacity for taking pains which some great writer has designated as genius. He makes the ideal political speech—one-fourth argument and three-fourths wit and humor.

A COTTON STEAMER CLEARS.

Mariner Sails For Bremen With 9,991 Bales—First of Season. (Wilmington Star.)

With 9,991 bales of new crop cotton for Bremen, Germany, the British steamer Mariner, Captain Morrison, cleared yesterday, the first of the season, with the staple for foreign export from this port. The cargo is valued at \$680,000 and vessel and cargo are by Messrs Alexander Sprunt & Son. Two other steamers, the Killdale and Hillbrook, are in the compress docks to receive cargoes and the first named will be ready to clear within the next few days. The receipts of the staple at the port this week have been heavy, ranging between 2,000 and 3,000 bales daily.

Smuggling Opium.

Washington, Sept. 26.—An investigation of the Federal prisons at Atlanta, Ga., and McNeills Island, Washington, has been ordered by the Department of Justice to ascertain whether opium, cocaine and whiskey are being smuggled by guards for the use of the prisoners. Investigation at the Federal prison at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, recently disclosed such a practice there and reports to the Department indicated a probability of its existence at the other institutions. Representatives of the Department have been sent to the prisons.

Fifty Cases Asiatic Cholera.

Naples, Sept. 26.—Asiatic cholera apparently has taken a strong hold here. Yesterday 50 cases of cholera were reported, with many deaths, and the report today places the number of cases at 100 with 22 deaths. The director general of health has arrived here from Rome because of the gravity of the situation.

WASHINGTON LETTER

Democrats May Control The Next House

SENATE A REPUBLICAN

Washington, Sept. 26.—(Special.)—While the signs of the times portend losses to the Republicans, and while the Democrats are "cock sure" that they will control the next House of Representatives, it will take the Democrats a long time even with the tide running in their favor, to gain the Senate. They are already assured of a gain in Maine, having won the Legislature, which elects a successor to Senator Hale, but they are due to lose a Senator in William E. Purcell, of North Dakota, who was appointed by George Burke to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Hon. Fountain L. Thompson. The North Dakota legislature is largely Republican and when it meets next spring will elect Purcell's successor.

Of the thirty Senators whose terms expire next March, twenty-four are Republicans and six are Democrats. The Democrats gain one in Maine and are making vigorous contests in eleven other States. Republican managers profess to see no danger except in Indiana, Nebraska and Missouri. Beveridge is having a hard fight in the "Hoosier" State, but Democratic disaffection over the selection of John W. Kern may aid Beveridge very materially. Burkett is in danger in Nebraska and Warner's seat is more than likely to be occupied by a Democrat.

But the Democrats are making progressive campaigns in Montana for Carter's seat, in New York for Dewey's, in Ohio for Dick's, in Delaware for Du Pont's, in Massachusetts for Lodge's, and in Nevada for Nixon's.

The Senate stands fifty-nine Republicans and thirty-three Democrats, a majority of twenty-six for the dominant party. Therefore, the Democrats must gain fourteen Senators before they can control the upper branch of Congress, which seems wholly impossible at this year's election.

The next most interesting phase of the situation will be the strength of the insurgents and tariff reforms in both houses. The importance of this question will be seen when Congress undertakes, upon the President's recommendation, to resume revision of the tariff by a gradual process of taking up schedules serially.

President Taft dealt a body blow to the "piece-meal" policy of river and harbor appropriations at the convention of the Ohio River Improvement Association recently held in Cincinnati and emphasized his position on waterway improvements as outlined in his memorandum to Congress in giving his reasons for signing the last river and harbor bill.

President Taft's emphatic protest against sporadic appropriations in the river and harbor bills of the future emphasizes in no uncertain manner the position of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress on this subject and when this great body of waterway enthusiasts meets in the Nation's Capital on December 7th, 8th and 9th, it is confidently expected that the President's demand for a comprehensive policy of waterway betterments will be enthusiastically endorsed.

Up to the death recently of James Clark McGrew, at his home in West Virginia, the member of Congress who reached the greatest age after retirement to private life was Thomas Sumter, who was famous as a Brigadier General of South Carolina troops in the Revolutionary War, and who received the thanks of Congress for single bravery. General Sumter was a member of the first Congress and

several Congresses there as well as two terms of Senator from South Carolina. He was born in 1736 and died 1832. Mr. McGrew was born in 1813 and was therefore 97 years old. He was nineteen years old when General Sumter died, and Andrew Jackson had just begun his second term in the White House.

Schooner Towed To Port.

Wilmington, Sept. 26.—The schooner Silverspray, 162 tons, Captain Thomas M. Calder, bound from Darien, Ga., to Millbridge, Me., with cargo of ships lumber, was towed into port Saturday by the Wilmington tug Blanche, waterlogged and her master ill with fever. The schooner sprung a leak 100 miles south of Cape Fear last Wednesday night, the 21st, and although the crew was constantly at the pumps, she filled rapidly and lost part of her deck load. She drifted before the wind, reaching Shallotte, N. C., beach, where she anchored and sent two men ashore, who secured assistance and the vessel was brought into this port. The crew was exhausted when assistance arrived and a physician was sent on board to Captain Calder, until he reached here and was sent to the United States Marine Hospital.

American Commission Returning.

Mexico City, Sept. 26.—American Special Ambassador Curtis Guild, Jr., and members of the commission from the United States to the Mexican centennial of Independence Celebration, left Saturday night in a special car attached to the national train, for their homes.

Ambassador Guild made an address expressing appreciation of the courtesies shown the members of the American commission and adding:

"Mexico has done wisely in making her centenary no mere extravaganza of temporary displays, but an occasion for the foundation of schools, a great university and some of the most superb public buildings in the world.

"Under Porfirio Diaz, Mexico has shown herself not merely lavish and generous, but a strong and dignified nation to be loved as a host and honored as a neighbor."

THE RESULTS SATURDAY.

National League.

Chicago 5; New York 6.
First game, St. Louis 3; Brooklyn 4, (10 innings); second game, St. Louis 4; Brooklyn 2. (Called 8th inning; darkness.)
Cincinnati 4; Boston 2.
Pittsburg 6; Philadelphia 1.

American League.

Washington 6; St. Louis 3.
First game, Boston 2; Detroit 3.
First game, Philadelphia 4; Chicago 8; second game, Philadelphia 2; Chicago 3.
New York-Cleveland, postponed; rain.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

National League.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Chicago	92	45	.672
New York	82	58	.586
Pittsburg	82	58	.586
Philadelphia	72	69	.511
Cincinnati	72	72	.500
St. Louis	57	81	.413
Brooklyn	56	85	.397
Boston	48	93	.340

American League.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Philadelphia	95	44	.684
Detroit	81	61	.570
New York	79	61	.564
Boston	79	61	.564
Cleveland	64	76	.457
Washington	60	80	.429
Chicago	60	80	.429
St. Louis	42	98	.300

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 26.—For North Carolina: Generally fair tonight and Tuesday; light variable winds.

Clyde Liner Disabled.

Beaufort, Sept. 26.—The Clyde Line steamer Huron, from Jacksonville and Charleston for New York with passengers, broke her tail shaft when near Diamond Shoals lightship at noon Saturday. She succeeded in anchoring safely and sent out wireless calls for assistance.

The breaking of the shaft rendered the liner helpless and Captain Staples immediately let go the vessels anchor. There was no excitement on board. Few of the passengers knew the cause of the vessel's anchoring. When the accident occurred the Huron was 25 miles southwest of Diamond Shoals light vessels, and she will be forced to remain at anchor until some vessel comes to her assistance.

The steamer Arapahoe, of the Clyde Line, bound from New York to Charleston and Jacksonville, heard the wireless calls of the Huron and hastened to her. The two vessels happened to be a comparatively short distance from each other when the wireless calls were sent out, and the Arapahoe was soon alongside the distressed steamer.

The Arapahoe will remain with her until the arrival of the Navajo, northbound, which has instructions by wireless to tow the Huron to New York.

Kills "Friend" And Herself.

Cleveland, O., Sept. 26.—Because of efforts by her mother to force her to abandon her acquaintanceship with Paul Mueller, a friend of her husband, Mrs. Lawrence Distrel Saturday shot and killed Mueller and then turned her revolver upon herself, inflicting a wound from which she died shortly afterwards.

The tragedy occurred early in the morning and was discovered by Distrel, a special officer in a city bank, who was aroused by the sound of shots. He rushed to his wife's room, where he found the dead body of Mueller with Mrs. Distrel lying at the feet of the corpse in a dying condition.

It was at first believed by the police that it was a case of double murder and Distrel was arrested, but he was released later. Mrs. Distrel was 45 years old and was the mother of two children. Mueller was also married and had two children.

Want Prohibition.

Raleigh, Sept. 26.—The Democrats in this county known as the "ring wing" or "insurgents," met in conference here Saturday. They barred all reporters. All those present, with one or two exceptions, were from the country. There was much denunciation of Professor Sykes, of Wake Forest College, nominee of the regulars for the Senate, and of Editor Josephus Daniels, of The News and Observer, and Josiah William Bailey, leader of the anti-ring wing of the party. There were cheers at the declaration by a Radical delegate that the only thing to do was to nominate an anti-prohibition ticket. A call was issued for a mass convention next Saturday to nominate a full ticket.

Slashed His Throat.

Charlotte, N. C., Sept. 26.—Standing on the curb of one of the principal streets, Theodore McGraw, a young white man about thirty years old, deliberately and coolly drew a knife from his pocket and slashed his throat four times in an effort to take his life, by-standers rushing up and preventing further efforts. McGraw had been drinking and went to a drug store to buy laudanum. The druggist refused to make the sale and McGraw begged a friend, saying he wanted to kill himself. He was rushed to the hospital and has a chance of recovery. He works in a North Charlotte cotton mill and came here from Rock Hill, S. C.

Tampa Victims Were Americans.

Tampa, Fla., Sept. 26.—Records were found in the clerk's office of the Circuit Court here showing that Caslego Ficarrota, one of the men executed here last Tuesday night, took out naturalization papers here in 1904. Angelo Albano, it is asserted, was naturalized at New Orleans three years ago.

DISOBEY R. R. ORDERS

Trolley Passenger And Freight Collide

SIX ARE KILLED

Tipton, Ind., Sept. 26.—Disobedience to orders by the crew of a freight car is said to have been the cause Saturday of the second interurban traction wreck within three days in Indiana. The disaster cost the lives of six persons, the serious injury of six more and severe hurts to a score.

A southbound freight car crashed head-on into a northbound passenger car on the Indianapolis and Peru division of the Indiana Union Traction Company shortly this afternoon, two miles north of this city. The freight car was in charge of Motorman Lacey and Conductor Sebree.

The dead are:
Dr. W. C. Holthouser, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Walter T. Holthouser, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Verbel Railsback, Hymenia, Ind.
Joseph Baker, Motorman on limited car, Logansport, Ind.

Lewis Broo, Kokofa, Ind.
B. E. Welch, Marshall, Mich.

The freight car, it is said, had orders to stop at the first switch north of Ressefer's Crossing, but tried to make the first switch south. A clump of trees hid the limited and the crew of the freight barely had time to jump to save their lives. The front end of the limited was shattered and all passengers in the smoking compartment were killed.

Farmers living in the vicinity of Ressefer's crossing heard the crash and after telephoning into Tipton for physicians, went to the aid of the injured. Nearby homes were thrown open and the seriously injured made as comfortable as possible until the arrival of physicians. The traction company sent out special cars from Tipton, equipped with cots and the dead and injured were brought to this city.

One of the sad features of the wreck is that of Dr. Holthouser, of Brooklyn, N. Y., who with his brother, Walter H. Holthouser, who was also killed, was on his way to Kokomo, Indiana, to be married to Miss Nellie Coxen, daughter of the secretary of the Great Western Pottery Company, of Kokomo. The brother was to have been best man at the wedding. Miss Coxen was prostrated when she heard of the death of her fiancé.

"I guess we over-ran our orders," said Motorman Lacey, of the freight car, who, with Conductor Sebree, jumped when he saw the limited bearing down upon them.

Just three days ago, almost to the hour, occurred the fatal wreck near Kingsland, Ind., on the Bluffton division of the Wabash Valley Traction Company, which caused the death of forty-one persons, with three more still in the hospitals of Fort Wayne, with barely a chance for recovery.

COTTON.

New York, Sept. 26.—The cotton market opened several points higher today. January, 13.25; March, 13.34; September, 13.37; October, 13.25; December 13.27. At noon the market stood: January, 13.31; March, 13.40; September, 13.36; October, 13.36; December, 13.31.

Spots in Wilson, 13 1/4 to 13 1/2. The market closed at 3 p. m. as follows: January, 13.33; March, 13.42; May, 13.43; July, 13.46; October, 13.33; December, 13.35.