

NOMINATION WON BY DAVIS, BRYAN

Democrats Choose John W. Davis as the Candidate for President — Charles W. Bryan for Vice-President.

New York, N. Y., July 9.—Welling up through all the bitterness of the days and nights that have gone, a mighty, formless, roaring shout, like a great sigh of relief blasted its way through the dingy trappings of Madison Square Garden today to tell that a nomination had come; that a decision had been reached, and that John W. Davis, of West Virginia, had been named by acclamation to carry the Democratic standard for 1924.

At last, against all the bitter cross currents of the sweltering days and nights that lay behind, the deadlocked convention that will live in political history forever, had broken through the long jam of conflicting opinion. Almost without realizing what it had done it hurled itself as one man into the rush that brought Davis votes flooding faster than clerks could write the record. Resistless as the surge of the sea, the Davis tide engulfed the wearied host and the battle was over.

New York, N. Y., July 9.—John W. Davis, of West Virginia, nominated for the presidency by the Democratic national convention in the breaking up of its history-making deadlock, assumed tonight the active leadership of the party.

After appearing before the convention and sounding the rallying cry of a fighting campaign he went into conference with party managers regarding the nomination for the Vice-Presidency. The stage of actual balloting for second place on the ticket had been reached just before the first roll call began, a recess of an hour was taken to permit of discussions that would enable the selection of a nominee on which all elements could unite.

New York, N. Y., July 10.—Charles W. Bryan, of Nebraska, was nominated for Vice-President by the Democratic national convention early today.

Mr. Bryan was declared nominated at 2:22 A. M., eastern daylight saving time. Then after a few last minute formalities the convention adjourned sine die at 2:24 A. M., and the delegates for the last time filed wearily out of the old Garden, where their nerves had been frazzled and their patience worn out by more than two weeks of the most stirring scenes in all political history.

Time For a Probe.

If one hasn't time to do something he very much desires, one should see if he isn't going a lot of things that are not necessary.

GLAD TO BE AN AMERICAN.

In an extemporaneous speech at the recent convention of the National Electric Light Association, Owen D. Young, chairman of the Board of the General Electric Company and one of the three American members of the Dawes Committee which recently rendered such valuable service to the Allied Reparations Commission, said: "My attitude is very much like the story of the negro who was walking very rapidly and was stopped by someone who said to him, 'Mose, where are you going?' He replied 'I ain't goin' nowhere. I's been whar I's goin' and now I'm goin' home.' The greatest pleasure which I have is in returning home.

"Nobody can enjoy a sojourn of three or four months in Europe with its difficulties and its problems, its suspicions and its distrusts, its promises for the future and its threats, without coming back to the wholesome atmosphere of America pleased as never before that he was born an American and will be permitted to live and die an American."

In a talk which consumed less than five minutes, Mr. Young painted a word picture which impressed on his listeners the wonderful possibilities before this nation. His simple statements which any school boy can understand should be an inspiration for every citizen to strive to maintain the conditions which have made this nation what it is today through a policy which encourages every individual in every line of industry and endeavor.

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An Appreciation of the Reverend A. J. Smith

Failure to express our admiration for the noble qualities of our friends and acquaintances is one of the most peculiar characteristics of us human beings. We may live for years near people whom we recognize as really superior in thought and life; we may have friends whom we know to be noble above the average; yet we never mention the fact, to the friends or to anyone else, while they are yet alive; while an expression of sincere appreciation would bring much joy to their hearts, and afford them the double happiness of virtue possessed and virtue rightly valued by those for whom they care.

Then, when these friends are dead, we immediately recall their generosity, their faithfulness, their unselfishness, their kindness, the true nobility that marked their every course of action, and we do not hesitate to tell anyone and everybody that they were the most admirable of all the people we have ever known. But the friends themselves can not hear of our praise and whole-hearted estimation of their worth; after they have fallen asleep; if we fail to express our regard for them while they still remain with us they die without ever having dreamed of the honor which we so readily, but so silently accord them.

To speak of a man as great whose name is not known all over our country may seem, at first thought, a little strange. But that is because we are accustomed to thinking of greatness in terms of publicity; because we sometimes confuse genuine character with exalted reputation, and too often ignore the fact that true greatness consists of being more than of seeming. However, despite our erroneous conceptions of things, the truth remains that he who possesses all the elements of greatness is truly great, whatever be his walk or position in life, however unaware of the fact the world may be.

The Reverend A. J. Smith, of Franklin, who so efficiently conducted the recent revival services in the Bryson City Baptist church, spent only three weeks in our community; yet in that short time he stamped an indelible impression on the hearts and minds of all who were privileged to hear him. His genuine interest in and untiring devotion to the work of helping mankind; the unusual strength of his convictions; the quiet forceful eloquence of his sermons; his earnestness; his compelling kindness; all distinguish him as a real personality, a man of superior mind, true heart, and great soul.

We are deeply glad that Mr. Smith gave us three weeks of his time. We are glad to be so fortunate as to have come within the range of his uplifting influence. And if sincere love for one's fellow beings and devoted service to humanity are a symbol of greatness; if the free giving of one's self to the noblest cause under heaven, the cause of God and man, and unflinching loyalty to every principle of duty, right, and honor are indications of greatness; if the calm dignity of a noble character, the gentle sympathy of true manhood, never-failing kindness, patience, and ceaseless, often largely unappreciated sacrifice for others may be attributed to Mr. Smith and say, without fear of contradiction from anyone who knows him: "He is a great man."—Bryson City Times.

IT'S UP TO YOU.

You may be a big man in the business world. Your properties may represent many good round, hard dollars. You may take an interest in politics to the extent of complaining about taxation, too much legislation, needless regulation of industry, etc. you may send your boy to college and your daughter to a finishing school. You may be a "successful" American business man.

But do you take an interest in the government which protects your property? Or are you merely one of the kickers who complain about the "radicals?" Do you go to the polls and vote for men and measures you believe sound or do you instead, go out and play golf on election day and let the fellow about whom you complain do all the voting.

Don't kick unless you are willing to do your duty as a citizen at the polls.

No matter how "big" you are your vote is worth no more than the poorest bum in town.

The "bigger" you are, the more necessary it is for you to vote, teach your children to vote and your wife to vote.

Don't leave somebody else to do your voting for you and then kick at results.

"Your" government will be just as good as you help make it, and no better.

Where Leprosy Started.

Leprosy had its origin in Central Africa and thence it spread to Asia. The hordes of the army of Darius brought it to Europe and it was taken to the Americas as an accompaniment of negro slavery, according to a writer in the London Quarterly Review.

GOOD TIME HERE ON JULY FOURTH

Large Crowds Attend Celebration Held at Franklin, and All Enjoyed the Day to the Fullest Extent.

The citizens of Franklin put over another Independence Day celebration last Friday on the same large scale that has characterized such events here in the past.

Early in the morning crowds of people from the surrounding country began coming into town, and long before the hour set for the beginning of the events of the day, the streets were crowded with people. One of the most pleasing features of the day was the total absence of disorder of any kind, and the orderly manner in which the crowd enjoyed the celebration of the Nation's birthday. No drinking was in evidence on the streets at any time during the day.

The events of the day started off with a street parade in which a large number of automobiles took part, the line of parade traversing the principal streets of town. Many beautifully decorated floats were in line, and the line of gaily decorated cars was one of the prettiest sights that has been seen here in a long time. The prize for the best decorated float, \$10.00 in gold, was awarded to Mr. Steve Porter; second prize, \$5.00 in gold, to Mr. L. C. Rhodes; third prize, \$2.50 in gold, to Mr. S. R. Joines.

Immediately after the parade, Main Street was cleared and roped off from the Court House to the lower end of town for the races and athletic contests. The following events were witnessed by large crowds:

100-yard dash, over sixteen years. Prize, fishing tackle, won by Earl Ashe.

100-yard dash under sixteen years. Prize, base ball and bat, won by Robert Wallace.

Sack races. First prize, good base ball. Second prize, base ball glove, won by Phil McCollum.

Three-legged race for boys. First prize, two dollars. Second prize, one dollar.

Sack race for girls. Prize, box of candy, won by Lilly Calloway.

Fat man's race. Prize \$2.50, won by A. L. Loeb.

There were also tugs of war, for boys over sixteen and those under sixteen, and relay races.

The greased pole afforded much fun for the spectators. The Love boy climbed to the top and got fishing tackle. Climbed again and got a dollar bill. Smaller prizes were given for those who came nearest top.

The afternoon and evening were well filled with opportunities for those wishing entertainment. Besides an excellent program of pictures and vaudeville at the Idle Hour Theatre, the boys club minstrels gave an entertainment at the Court House in the afternoon, and the Oxford Orphanage singing class appeared at night.

The Boys' Club Minstrels put on a very creditable performance before a packed house in the afternoon, and much credit is due the boys and the director, Rev. E. J. Pipes, for the excellence of the program.

The people of Franklin and surrounding country enjoyed a rare treat Friday night when the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class gave their entertainment at the Court House. This was their first appearance here, and our people who had heard that it was one of the best organizations of its kind in the South, were not disappointed, for it was without any doubt one of the best attractions that has ever been here. The children carried out their parts with the grace and skill of finished performers and their program won praise from all who were fortunate enough to be present.

Much of the credit for the success of the day's events is due to the untiring efforts of the members of the committee who had the matter in charge, Messrs. E. J. Pipes, Fleet Seroggs and L. C. Rhodes, and to the hearty co-operation given them in their efforts by the business men and citizens of Franklin.

Superstitions in Breeding.

The same superstitions on which the shepherds of Asia based their practices of animal breeding at least thirty centuries ago are still widely current, while the one sound principle known to the ancients, selection of the best for breeding stock, is still widely neglected.

First Fog Signals in U. S.

Development of the radio compass for the first time made possible the taking of accurate bearings effectively at a considerable distance during a fog, but guns, fired occasionally, were the first fog signals used in this country.

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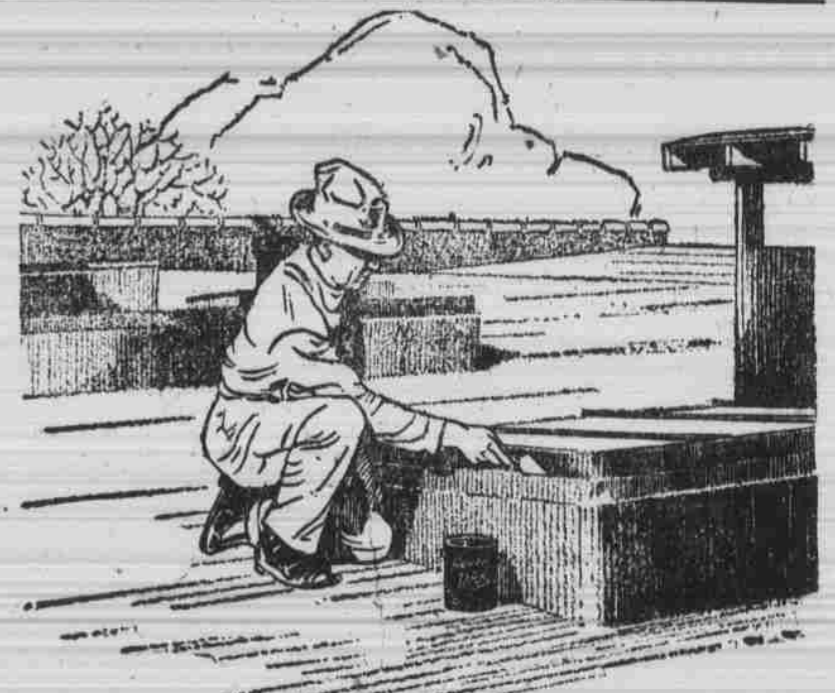
One of the queerest creatures imaginable is the midwife toad. The female lays her eggs in long streamers, which the male collects and wraps around his legs. He carries them about in this way until they hatch into tadpoles.

Sun's Radiant Energy.

If the radiant energy of the sun falling on the earth were wholly converted into mechanical energy, each individual's share would be sufficient to lift a weight of 5,300 pounds through a vertical distance of nearly 20 miles every minute of his life.

Grist Still Leads in Late Primary Returns

Raleigh, N. C., July 8.—The result of the second primary race for commissioner of labor and printing remained practically unchanged as additional returns were received and tabulated here tonight. Frank D. Grist was still leading M. L. Shipman approximately two to one, the vote standing: Grist, 45,198; Shipman, 23,357. The returns represented 799 precincts with reports from 56 counties. The complete vote of 29 counties was included in the figures tabulated tonight.



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