

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

SUMMARY OF THE NEWS OF THE WHOLE WORLD.

TAFT FOR PRESIDENT

OUT OF A TOTAL VOTE OF 980 OHIOANS HAS 702.

With Storm Raging All About Them Delegates Sit Calmly in Their Places and Vote for Taft—Mighty Demonstration Follows Nomination.

For president of the United States, William H. Taft, of Ohio.

Taft on the first ballot; Taft by 702 votes; Taft by the unanimous choice of the convention.

Such is the result of the culminating day of the republican national convention of 1908 effected amid scenes of tumultuous enthusiasm, and after a nerve racking continuous session lasting nearly eight hours.

Thursday night the whole city of Chicago was given over to wild exultation in honor of the new candidate, whose names goes echoing through the country.

The picture within the walls of the amphitheater as the presidential candidate was named Thursday was truly grandiose in its magnitude. In front, to the right and left, below and above, the billowing sea of humanity, restless after hours of waiting, and stirred from one emotion to another, was in a fever of expectancy for the culminating vote.

The favorite sons of other states had been named except Knox and La Follette, and now on the roll came Ohio. As the Buckeye state was reached the tall, gaunt form of Theodore E. Burton advanced to the platform to nominate Ohio's candidate. He spoke fervently with the ringing voice of an evangelist, which went ringing through the great building.

The close of his speech of nomination was the signal for loosening the long pent up feeling of the Taft legions. Onstantly the Ohio delegates were on their feet, other Taft delegates following, while the convention hosts in gallery and on the floor broke into mad demonstration.

ASSAULTS SHEATH GOWNS.

Divine Says Way Women are Dressing Themselves is Immodes.

The Rev. G. M. Dickinson, pastor of the Second Baptist church of Hoboken, N. J., in a letter to the newspapers of Hudson county relatives to woman's dress, says:

"A few years ago it was the low neck; more recently it has been the peacock waist. Fashion this year has shortened their dresses at the other end until they are making themselves the objects of side glances and unclean talk on the part of low minded men everywhere, especially on a windy day.

"And now to cap the climax fashion has decreed the sheath gown, a dress making so immodest an exposure of the wearer's form that any self respecting woman ought to be most heartily ashamed to be seen in it. In the name of God—yes, in the name of purity—in the name of morality, what are our women coming to? I believe the way our women are dressing themselves today is immodest and immoral in its tendency.

BLACK HAND IN MEXICO.

Prominent Men in Republic Receive Letters Demanding Money.

According to advices which have reached the city of Mexico, black mailers, operating on a scale similar to the black hand societies of the United States, have made their appearance in the city of Chihuahua. Threatening letters have been sent to Gen. Creel, president of Lanco De Miner, a brother of Enrique Creel, governor of the state of Chihuahua and Mexican ambassador to the United States. The mother of Gov. Creel and Luis Terassi, his father-in-law and one of the richest men in the republic, have also received similar letters.

All of the communications demand that money be left at certain designated spots or the lives of the recipients of the letters will be forfeited.

Groom in Quarantine.

Because the groom, Capt. Henry Dickmann, son of former Mayor Dickmann, of Chicago, is held in quarantine at Astoria, Ore., on account of smallpox on board a ship on which he came from the Philippines on his way to San Antonio, Tex., where he is to be married, his wedding has been postponed.

Sloux City Live Stock Market.

Thursday's quotations on the Sloux City live stock market follow: Top heaves, \$7.50. Top hogs, \$5.60.

Left His Heart Uncovered.

To relieve Elmer Well, of Pottsville, Pa., of heart trouble surgeons at the Pottsville hospital sawed out three of his ribs which had been pressing on the organ, exposing to view in full operation its pulsations.

Kills Children and Herself.

According to information received from Sandy Creek, Jackson county, Va., Mrs. A. L. Stairs, white, temporarily insane, cut the throats of her two children and then killed herself.

TRAPS BLACK HAND GANG.

Rich Italian Kills Three and Wounds Another.

Following a series of crimes attributed to so-called "black hand" societies in the Italian quarter of New Orleans, one of the worst tragedies yet connected with that section took place early Wednesday when three Italians were shot to death.

According to the police these men were killed as a result of an attempt to extort money from Pietro Giacoma, a wealthy Italian wine merchant. Giacoma and his son told the police that these men had frequently bought wine from them by the barrel and had invariably refused to pay for it.

According to their story, the three forced them to ship a barrel of wine to a point in the state Tuesday and returned early Wednesday and ordered them to prepare a meal.

The elder Giacoma suspected that trouble would ensue, and hid his repeating rifle near the table. When one of the visiting Italians drew a revolver and ordered them to produce money and valuables, the elder Giacoma answered with a shot from the rifle. The man he fired at fell dead and the other two attempted to escape. One was killed before he had gotten ten feet from the table. The other reached a staircase, only to receive a bullet in his brain as he started down the steps, his body falling into the court yard below.

One of the Italians who was killed has been identified as a man named Baracca, known to the police.

Wednesday another Italian, badly wounded, was found in a shed near the Giacoma home. He was identified as one of those who had attended Giacoma's feast, the only one who escaped with his life. His wound is dangerous.

The police asked Giacoma if, in desperation after numerous "black hand" methods had been practiced on him, he had not invited the Italians to his home for the purpose of squaring accounts. This Giacoma stoutly denied, saying he had no intention of firing on his guests until it became necessary for him to protect his home.

Giacoma is regarded as one of the wealthiest Italians in the south. His home where the shooting occurred was occupied by Gen. Beauregard when that section was the most fashionable of the old French quarter.

MEDALS FOR HEROES.

They Will be Awarded by Accident Insurance Companies.

For the first time in history heroes will be recognized and rewarded by accident insurance companies when the International Association of Accident Underwriters meets in convention in Atlantic City, July 7, 8 and 9 next.

Last year the association decided to award annually three gold medals, called the George B. McNeil medal, in honor of the memory of one of the founders of the association, to the three persons in the United States and Canada who performed during the year deeds of heroism which resulted in the saving of human life. The medal is about two inches in diameter, suspended from a bar and bearing on one side a portrait of the George B. McNeil; the reverse side and the bar will be suitably inscribed with name of the one to whom it was awarded and the occasion of the meritorious deed.

The committee in charge has a number of names before them for consideration. The winners will be invited to the convention and the presentations will be made by some prominent local or state official.

BIG NEW YORK DEAL.

Seven Million Dollar Site Purchased for Retail Store.

By a series of transactions extended over several months and conducted with the utmost secrecy, a group of conspicuous real estate holders in the new uptown shopping district, of New York, have been gathered together under a single ownership, with a view to being used as the site for a large retail store.

The site comprises nineteen lots, including the whole of the block fronting on the east side of Fifth avenue, between Thirty-seventh and Thirty-eighth streets. The valuation put on it is about \$7,000,000. The location on the crest of Murray hill is one of the choicest in the avenue. The site is mostly occupied by old private houses all of them vacant, with the exception of two on Fifth avenue. In use as stores. The migration of high class retail stores from Broadway and Sixth avenue has followed as an incident of the eastward movement of the fashionable residence population. In 1902 for the first time the center of the fashionable residence district was shifted to the east of Fifth avenue.

Dividends are Passed.

The directors of the Lake Erie and Western railroad Wednesday omitted the semi-annual dividend on the company's preferred stocks.

Heavy Loss by Fire.

The entire lumber plant of the Kane Lumber company at Hollins, Ia., was destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at half a million dollars.

Loan for Swedish Government.

The prospectus of the Swedish government loan of \$15,000,000 was issued in London Wednesday. Interest is at 4 per cent until 1918 and after that 3 1/2 per cent. The issue price is 98.

Six Hundred Get Diplomas.

More than 600 men and women received diplomas at the 152d annual commencement of the University of Pennsylvania.

IN MIGHTY ASSEMBLY.

Vast Multitude Sees Gathering of G. O. P.

Amid scenes of stirring enthusiasm the republican national convention of 1908 began its deliberations at noon Tuesday in the presence of an assemblage estimated at upwards of 10,000 people, with the sounds of patriotic airs alternating with the frenzied shouts for Roosevelt, Taft and the other popular heroes, the first tocsin of the coming struggle from the graceful orator of Michigan, Senator Julius Caesar Burrows, and the initial formalities which started this momentous gathering into motion.

The opening session lasted less than two hours and was less notable for the business accomplished than for the opportunity it afforded of seeing again this stirring picture of the people assembled from every corner of the country to select a candidate for president of the United States. The actual work of the day was quickly accomplished and Tuesday night the various important committees on credentials, platform, organization, etc., were preparing for the more important business to come.

The scene when the vast assemblage was called to order was one of impressive dignity, of animation and of color. In the central arena sat the delegates, almost 1,000 strong, and back of them their alternates, another thousand in number, with the standards of the states rising here and there above the turbulent sea of heads.

The seats of vantage immediately in front were held by Ohio, New York, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin, each having a candidate; while further back, rank after rank, were ranged the states and territories, Hawaii, Porto Rico, the Philippines and Alaska appropriately forming the outlying fringe of the official delegation.

ANOTHER HOTEL TO GO.

New York Hostelry Succumbs to the March of Trade.

The third of New York's old hotels to capitulate within two months to the northward march of the army of trade the Everett house, at Fourth and Seventeenth streets, has closed its doors. As soon as the furniture can be removed the building will be razed and give place to a twenty-story office building. The closing came suddenly as a result of a determination on the part of the owner of the property to begin the erection of the office building at once.

The Everett house was built and first occupied as a hotel in 1852. It was named after Edward Everett, then at the height of his fame. At the opening there was a reception attended by many society folks, and a portrait of Everett was presented by himself, was unveiled in the lobby, where it was the night the curtain fell on the old hotel's tragedy. The most notable person ever entertained in the hotel was King Edward VII, then prince of Wales, and his quarters on the third floor—a suite of five rooms—has ever since been known as the "prince's suite."

AUTO PLUNGES INTO RIVER.

Four Persons are Drowned in New York City.

Four persons were drowned Monday night when an automobile carrying a pleasure party of six became unmanageable, shot at wild speed down West Fifty-sixth street and bounded from an open pier into the North river. The machine turned over in its plunge from the pier, holding the four victims fast in the seats. The dead are: Adeline Berdon, aged 19, Mrs. Rose Coleman, aged 23; John Coleman, aged 8, and Virginia Knight, aged 8.

John Bauer, the chauffeur, was carried into the river with the machine, but managed to free himself and swim to safety.

John Nolen, one of the party, jumped from the runaway machine as it neared the end of the dock. Bauer was taken into custody by the police. After taking his employer home Bauer invited his friends for a pleasure ride.

Millions are Tied Up.

With the closing of the federal courts, at New York, for the summer, so far as the tariff legislation is concerned, nearly 45,000 appeals by importers are left pending on the suspended files of the board of United States general appraisers. No more customs cases will be heard by the court until October.

Raid on Gamblers.

Three thousand persons gathered along West Thirty-third street near Broadway, in New York, and watched the police make a spectacular raid on a gambling house, said to be patronized by guests of several uptown hotels.

School Honor for Helen Taft.

The Alliance staff received information that his young daughter, Helen Heron Taft, who graduated early in June from the Baldwin school at Bryn Mawr, has a Pennsylvania scholarship for the best entrance examination to Bryn Mawr.

Hundreds of Fishermen Drown.

Fifty Japanese fishing boats have been wrecked off the coast of Kagoshima and 350 of the crew have been drowned. The governor of the province has requested assistance from the government navy yard at Saaseh.

Imperial Household Cut Out.

A dispatch received from Seoul, Japan, says that under a new arrangement all of the property hitherto controlled by the imperial household is now transferred to the state.

Gasoline Explosion.

A gasoline explosion occurred at the home of Bert Welch, of Albia, resulting in the serious burning of Mrs. Welch and her small child.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

FINDS MANY LAW VIOLATIONS.

Nebraska Mutual Has Odd Methods, Says Receiver Wakely.

In a detailed report filed in district court Monday afternoon, Arthur Wakely, receiver of the Nebraska Mutual Fire Insurance company, which failed last fall, declares the report of the company made at that time is incorrect; that large amounts of listed assets are worthless; and that the value of the company's assets is less than the liabilities. The receiver also stated that the officers were in direct violation of law and that State Auditor Searle should have begun insolvency proceedings against the company in June, 1907. Mr. Wakely says the report of Examiner Wiggins, filed with the receiver, showed the company to be insolvent, and that its liabilities exceeded its assets at that time by \$15,032.48.

The receiver says it is to be regretted the state auditor did not apply for a receiver then. It would have saved the company of the \$89,000. The report criticizes the conduct of the company and the condition of its records in certain instances.

The report also says ex-Gov. Elias H. Holcomb, formerly general auditor of the company for Washington and Idaho, is in debt to the company to the amount of over \$10,000.

WOOL GRADING PLANT.

Adjunct to Storage Warehouse Will Be Established in Omaha.

J. Bauer, of Shoshoni, Wyo., will open a wool grading plant in Omaha, Wyo., in connection with the warehouse of the Omaha Wool and Storage company.

Mr. Bauer is now in Wyoming to secure wool, which the eastern manufacturers want, and when this wool arrives in Omaha it will grade it for the eastern manufacturers and growers.

The decision to open the grading plant in Omaha was reached by Mr. Bauer and his associates after making an extended trip in the east and interviewing personally the manufacturers. Mr. Bauer learned what grades of wool were wanted and assured the eastern manufacturers that in the future they could buy their wool on the Omaha market instead of going to the western ranges to buy it when it is clipped.

SESSION OF WESLEYAN COUNCIL.

Held at University Place—Interesting Reports.

The educational council of Nebraska Wesleyan university has just closed its twelfth annual session at University Place. Reports of the faculty, of the board of trustees, of the officers and presidents of local councils showed a substantial growth and interest. Due to the fact that the memorial building has been completed, some appropriations during the year were made for the furnishings of the headquarters of the women's Wesleyan educational council room. The literary department of the organization is growing. The study of bible history has been taken up by some of the local councils. Soon the organization will perfect plans for the purchase of a new building, an agent and organizer in the field whose duty it will be to solicit subscriptions and donations for Nebraska Wesleyan university and organize a local council in every Methodist church in the state. The organization has adopted the motto: "The great-est aim of the organization has been embodied in their battle cry, "A membership of 10,000 women who will contribute annually 2 cents a week."

DEATH PREFERRED TO ARREST.

Indian Kills Himself Rather Than Go to Prison.

A Sioux Indian named Thompson shot and killed himself on the Reservation late Saturday afternoon. The redman had been accused of horse stealing and an Indian policeman was after him with a warrant for his arrest. When the two came together an exchange of shots followed and the fugitive's horse was shot down by the policeman. Seeing that his capture was certain, the Indian put the revolver in his mouth and blew out his brains. The fellow had served a term in the penitentiary for horse stealing.

Federal Prisoners to Ft. Leavenworth.

Instructions have been received from the department of justice by District Attorney Goss, of Omaha, that all parties convicted of preliminary offenses by the federal courts in the Nebraska federal district will hereafter be sent to the United States military prison at Fort Leavenworth.

Rufus G. Rabney Dead.

Rufus G. Rabney, of the older residents of Nemaha county, died in his home in Brownville, Mr. Rabney was about 78 years of age. He came to Brownville in an early day and lived there ever since.

Large Attendance at Normal.

The Alliance state junior normal had an attendance of over 300. This is a surprising number and is principally due to the activities of its principal, D. W. Hayes.

Races at McCook.

The McCook Driving Park association has about completed its plans for the races July 3 and 4. Already many fine horses are stabled at the track. Liberal purses have been hung up and it is expected to make this event a notable one in the history of the association.

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INTERESTING HAPPENINGS

From Day to Day Condensed FOR OUR EASY READERS

NO LESS THAN THAT WILL BE ACCEPTED.

No Say Wyoming Producers.

"Hold all our wool for 30 cents per pound, as we would not consider an offer for anything less. It brought 22 1/2 cents on track at Medicine, Wyo., last year."

This was the instruction sent to the Omaha Wool and Storage company Saturday by the War, Land and Live Stock company, which has forwarded a large amount of wool to Omaha and indicates what other wool growers intend to ask for their clip.

Secretary Theodore Becker, of the Wool and Storage company arrived in Omaha Saturday morning from Germany, where he has been spending several months. He will spend several days in Omaha before going to Shoshoni and beginning his work.

Discussing the proposition of St. Paul business men to organize a market at St. Paul, Charles H. King, president of the Omaha Wool and Storage company, said:

"I am glad the St. Paul people recognize this opportunity. I hope they succeed in establishing such a market, as we want to keep this wool in the west and there is enough to fill the warehouses of Omaha and St. Paul and enough room for all the factories which we will be able to get out here."

WEST POINT MAN FLEECEED.

Young Man Loses Inheritance in Omaha and Two Arrests Follow.

H. D. Monroe, of Bradford, and W. R. Douglas, Jr., of Emerson, are under arrest in connection with the alleged fleecing of Clarence C. Loudon, of West Point, out of a large sum of money. The woman in the case, Lulu Mitchell, is also under arrest. Loudon's brother, R. H. Loudon, came to the attention of the police through the story of a woman who had inherited \$15,000 from a sister who died in New York a few months ago. The young man bought a fit on Seventeenth street and furnished it up in style, taking the woman to the city. According to the woman's story he gave her money and kept her in style. He declares she spent much of the money on Monroe and Douglas. He says he recently gave her a \$500 piano. The police are making a thorough investigation. The woman denies the entire story.

STOCK GROWERS ADJOURN.

Officers are Elected for the Ensuing Year.

The Nebraska Stock Growers' association convention adjourned Saturday to a close after a busy day, Friday, in which not only a business session of keen interest was held, but some able addresses made by men versed in what is best for the stock interests. These included Dr. A. T. Peters of Lincoln, E. B. Cunningham of South Omaha, Dr. C. A. McKim of Lincoln, and Gov. Sheldon, who spoke upon "Further Needed Sanitary Regulations for Stock in This State."

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: E. M. Hampton, Alliance, president; E. M. Searle, Jr., Lincoln, secretary and treasurer; E. P. Meyers, Hymnville, vice president.

TOPS OMAHA MARKET.

Thirty-Six Head of Cattle Brought \$7.90 on South Omaha Market.

E. T. Graham, of Creston, one of the best stock raisers in the state, had the distinction of selling the highest priced fat cattle during the last six years on the Omaha market. In 1902 two cars of cattle brought \$8.15. Mr. Graham had 36 head on the South Omaha market Thursday. The average was 190 pounds, the cattle averaging 1,626 pounds. These steers were Wyoming raised cattle, bought in South Omaha shortly before the first of the year. They were mostly Shorthorns.

Wool is Arriving.

Just as the Omaha Wool and Storage company completed its sidetracks to the big warehouse Friday morning, four carloads of wool arrived from the War Land and Live Stock company, shipped from Medicine Bow, Wyo. The weight of this wool is 27,450, 23,127, 32,241 and 23,470 pounds. Two other cars were received from Wyoming shippers, which made the day's receipts over 125,000 pounds.

Bridges Damaged by Flood.

Reports from the vicinity of Odell state that nearly all the bridges in that section of the county have been badly damaged or washed away by the floods.

New Methodist Hospital.

The new Nebraska Methodist hospital and Beacon home at Omaha was formally dedicated Friday afternoon, the services beginning at 3 o'clock.

Lincoln Man Severely Burned.

Henry Gray, of Lincoln, and William Gray, of Beatrice, were severely injured in a gas-burner explosion at the Beatrice repair shop.

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STATISTICAL AND FINANCIAL

CHICAGO.

Next to the immediate stimulant from the lower costs established for various steel makes, the most important favorable development was the government forecast of the early crop and its magnificent promise under normal conditions of agricultural enrichment. Business generally reflects a strengthened tone and the outlook has a brighter aspect, although the volume of new demands in manufacturing branches does not yet show the expansion expected. Where heavy commitments are involved definite action is withheld until after the deliberations of the Republican convention next week. Encouragement is depended upon from that source in aiding recovery from trade depression. It is desirable that indorsement should be placed upon the effort to secure more adequate waterways and minimum freight cost for the promotion of this city's commerce.

Reasonable weather greatly aided the activity in retail dealings, and the demand for men and women's apparel, housewares and vacation goods made a gratifying advance. Merchandise stocks have undergone sharp reduction, and this has caused frequent replenishments for both local and country needs.

Mercantile collections throughout the interior occasion little trouble, and the record of defaults maintains the recently noted betterment.

Failures reported in the Chicago district numbered 21, against 22 last week and 14 a year ago. Those with liabilities over \$5,000 numbered 8, against 5 last week and 3 in 1907.—Dan's Review of Trade.

NEW YORK.

Weather, crop and trade reports display irregularity. It has been too wet and cool in the Southwest and Northwest for best retail trade and crop developments, but east of the Mississippi river conditions have been better and more favorable reports come from the latter sections. In wholesale lines evidence of improvement in fall buying are seen, but purchasers are generally cautious, while sales for immediate shipment are confined to strictly filling-in requirements. Political and crop uncertainties seem likely to influence distant purchases for some time to come, and trade is hardly better than quiet to feel the country over.

Business failures in the United States for the week ending June 11 number 253, which compares with 225 last week, 101 in the like week of 1907, 170 in 1906, 175 in 1905 and 181 in 1904. In Canada there were 30 business failures, as against 32 last week and 22 in the same week of 1907.—Bradstreet's Commercial Report.

THE MARKETS

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$4.00 to \$8.40; hogs, prime heavy, \$4.00 to \$5.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$3.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2, 92c to 93c; corn, No. 2, 66c to 67c; oats, standard, 48c to 50c; rye, No. 2, 78c to 79c; timothy, \$8.00 to \$12.50; prairie, \$8.00 to \$11.50; butter, choice creamery, 20c to 22c; eggs, fresh, 12c to 16c; potatoes, new, per bushel, \$1.18 to \$1.25.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$7.25; hogs, good to choice heavy, \$3.50 to \$5.70; sheep, common to prime, \$3.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, 90c to 92c; corn, No. 2, 62c to 64c; rye, No. 2, 84c to 86c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$4.50 to \$7.90; hogs, \$4.00 to \$5.50; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.90; wheat, No. 2, 95c to 97c; corn, standard, 70c to 71c; oats, No. 2, 51c to 52c; rye, No. 2, 78c to 80c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$6.75; hogs, \$4.00 to \$5.95; sheep, \$3.00 to \$4.35; wheat, No. 2, 91c to 92c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 72c to 73c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 53c to 54c; rye, No. 2, 84c to 86c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$6.00; hogs, \$4.00 to \$5.90; sheep, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2, 92c to 93c; corn, No. 3 yellow, 75c to 76c; oats, No. 3 white, 54c to 55c; rye, No. 2, 82c to 84c.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 northern, \$1.07 to \$1.10; corn, No. 3, 70c to 71c; oats, standard, 51c to 52c; rye, No. 1, 77c to 78c; barley, No. 2, 59c to 60c; pork, mess, \$13.72.

Buffalo—Cattle, choice shipping steers, \$4.00 to \$7.75; hogs, fair to choice, \$4.00 to \$5.90; sheep, common to good mixed, \$4.00 to \$5.90; lambs, fair to choice, \$5.00 to \$6.00.

New York—Cattle, \$4.00 to \$7.75; hogs, \$3.50 to \$5.10; sheep, \$3.00 to \$5.00; wheat, No. 2 red, 97c to 98c; corn, No. 2, 70c to 71c; oats, natural white, 58c to 60c; butter, creamery, 21c to 2