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public gathering than were disseminated by the representatives of the Associated press, and republican correspondents for republican newspapers, as well as by special republican correspondents for the reorganizers in the democratic party.

The first contest came up before the national committee on Tuesday, July 4. This contest involved a number in the contest for seats in the convention, conspicuous among which was that of Illinois. The Hopkins forces in that state, representing the reorganizers, asked that the contest be decided by a committee of the whole. Mr. Bryan appearing in the committee as a proxy for Mr. Dahlman, a member from Nebraska, urged that the sub-committee be appointed by the chairman in order to hear the contests. The result was that Mr. Bryan's suggestion prevailed and Chairman Jones, after a recess, announced the sub-committees which were to listen to the evidence in the various contests. The most important contest was that of Illinois, and the sub-committee named by Chairman Jones was as follows: William J. Stone of Missouri, chairman; Adair Wilson, Colorado; T. B. O'Brien, Minnesota; Norman E. Mack, New York; John T. McGraw, West Virginia. Various sub-committees met and while as a rule they rejected the claims of contestants, they ruled that in the case of Illinois, they had no authority to go behind the returns of the state convention, although the committee admitted that "questionable methods" had been adopted in the Illinois state convention. The committee finally decided that all the Hopkins (reorganizer) delegates should retain their seats with the exception of D. C. Best of the 21st Illinois district. In this district Best was ousted and the seat was given to Alfred Orendorff.

The convention was called to order at 12 o'clock, noon, Wednesday, by former Senator Jones, chairman of the democratic national committee. The prayer was delivered by Rev. J. F. Cannon, and then Mr. Jones announced that he was instructed by the national committee to appoint John

Sharp Williams, temporary chairman; Charles A. Walsh of Iowa, temporary secretary, and John I. Martin of St. Louis, sargeant-at-arms. Mr. Williams was then escorted to the chair and delivered a speech, extracts from which are as follows:

The country is now and is destined to be for a length of time beyond computation on a gold basis, . . . an accomplished fact not by the republican party, but by the dogged persistency and indomitable will of Grover Cleveland.

We will announce unmistakably to the world that we will not make of the army and navy of the United States a constabulary for the collection of debts from the governments or peoples of South and Central America.

The democracy will nominate a man who will not usurp legislative or judicial functions; one who will not recklessly violate international usage.

A democratic administration will put an end, as far as it can be done, to all existing iniquitous partnership arrangements between the federal government and favored special interests.

It will not falter when it comes to declare for a reduction of tariff taxation on trust produced articles to the point where foreign competition may enter the American market, when combines, seeking monopoly, raise the price to the American consumer to the point of extortion.

It will reduce the revenues of the government to a sum adequate to the needs of economical and constitutional administration.

The rights of labor will be recognized as no less vested or sacred than the rights of capital.

A good democratic administration will ponder and practice the simple precepts of Jefferson's first inaugural address. It is the political "sermon on the mount" for democratic republicans.

It is in the power of no man or party to assure success. It is in the power of the humblest to deserve it. God grant that we may have it. Let us by the character of our platform and the character of our candidate deserve it.

The democracy will construct the Panama canal speedily, honestly and economically. However shamefully the Panama republic was born, and however shameful our connection with it, it was born and is now recognized by us.

A democratic administration will find in our treatment of Cuba an example of American courage, justice and magnanimity, an example to be followed in the Philippines, ultimately leaving them free and independent.

The democracy will bring about the upbuilding of a merchant marine without additional taxation.

After the announcement of committees the convention adjourned until 10 o'clock Thursday morning.

According to announcement, the new national committee is as follows:

- Alabama, H. D. Clayton.
- Arkansas, William H. Martin
- Alaska, Arthur H. Dadany.
- Arizona, Ben M. Crawford.
- California, M. F. Tarpey.
- Colorado, John I. Mullins.
- Connecticut, Homer S. Cummings.
- Delaware, Richard E. Kenney.
- Dist. of Columbia, James L. Norris.
- Florida, Jefferson B. Browne.
- Georgia, Clark Howell.
- Hawaii, Palmer P. Woods.
- Illinois, Roger C. Sullivan.
- Indiana, Thomas Taggart.
- Iowa, Charles A. Walsh.
- Indian Territory, R. L. Williams.
- Idaho, Simon P. Donnelly.
- Kansas, John H. Atwood.
- Kentucky, Urey Woodson.
- Louisiana, N. C. Blanchard.
- Maryland, L. Victor Baughman.
- Massachusetts, William A. Gaston.
- Minnesota, T. T. Hudson.

- Mississippi, C. H. Williams.
- Missouri, William A. Rothwell.
- Montana, C. W. Hoffman.
- Michigan, Daniel J. Campau.
- North Dakota, H. D. Allert.
- Nebraska, James C. Dahlman.
- Nevada, John H. Dennis.
- New Hampshire, T. L. Norris.
- New Jersey, William B. Bourley.
- New York, Norman E. Mack.
- North Carolina, Josephus Daniels.
- New Mexico, H. B. Fergusson.
- Ohio, John R. McLean.
- Oklahoma, R. A. Billup.
- Pennsylvania, James M. Guffey.
- Rhode Island, George N. Green.
- South Carolina, B. R. Tillman.
- South Dakota, E. S. Johnson.
- Tennessee, R. E. L. Mountcastle.
- Texas, R. M. Johnston.
- Utah, D. H. Perry.
- Vermont, B. B. Smalley.
- West Virginia, John T. McGraw.
- Wisconsin, T. E. Ryan.
- Wyoming, John E. Osborne.

The committee on resolutions was announced as follows:

- Arizona, W. F. Timming.
- Alabama, Rufus N. Rhodes.
- Arkansas, J. P. Clarke.
- Alaska, W. E. Crews.
- California, D. L. Delmas.
- Colorado, Charles S. Thomas.
- Connecticut, Bryan F. Mahan.
- Delaware, Williard Saulsbury.
- Dist. of Columbia, James L. Norris.
- Florida, C. L. Wilson.
- Georgia, J. W. Maddox.
- Hawaii, James L. Coke.
- Illinois, Ben T. Cable.
- Indiana, B. F. Shively.
- Iowa, J. B. Weaver.
- Indian Territory, T. L. Wade.
- Idaho, Fred T. Dubois.
- Kansas, A. M. Jackson.
- Kentucky, J. C. W. Beckham.
- Louisiana, M. J. Foster.
- Maryland, J. Poe.
- Massachusetts, Charles S. Hamlin.
- Minnesota, C. E. Vesaley.
- Mississippi, John Sharp Williams.
- Missouri, John T. Hurd.
- Montana, Martin Maginnis.
- Michigan, T. E. Barkworth.
- North Dakota, Silver Serungard.
- Nebraska, William J. Bryan.
- Nevada, Francis G. Newland.
- New Hampshire, John N. Michell.
- New Jersey, Alva A. Clark.
- New York, David B. Hill.
- No Carolina, Edw. Chambers Smith.
- New Mexico, James G. Fitch.
- Ohio, John A. McMahon.
- Oklahoma, R. A. Billup.
- Oregon, W. F. Butcher.
- Pennsylvania, R. H. Pattison.
- Rhode Island, George N. Green.
- South Carolina, B. R. Tillman.
- South Dakota, R. F. Pettigrew.
- Tennessee, Edward W. Carmack.
- Texas, Joseph W. Bailey.
- Utah, Frank J. Cannon.
- Vermont, Elisha May.
- Virginia, John W. Daniel.
- Washington, M. M. Goodman.
- West Virginia, Henry G. Davis.
- Wisconsin, T. J. Fleming.
- Wyoming, David N. Stickney.

The credentials committee was announced as follows:

- Alabama, E. M. Robinson.
- Arkansas, O. L. Miles.
- Alaska, L. L. Williams.
- Arizona, John Lawler.
- California, James A. Keyes.
- Colorado, Alva R. Adams.
- Connecticut, Charles Kerr.
- Delaware, Alexander M. Daly.
- Dist. of Columbia, Wm. Cranch McIntyre.
- Florida, T. J. Appleyard.
- Idaho, F. W. Hunt.
- Georgia, W. A. Little.
- Hawaii, C. B. Lyons.
- Illinois, Fred J. Kern.
- Indiana, G. V. Menzes.
- Iowa, J. M. Parsons.
- Indian Territory, C. A. Skeen.
- Kansas, W. P. Dillard.
- Kentucky, Joseph B. Blackburn.
- Louisiana, E. B. Kruttschnitt.
- Maine, George M. Hanson.
- Maryland, J. W. Miles.

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