



The president has sent to the senate the name of David J. Hill to be ambassador to Germany. It is understood that there is no longer any objection to him by the German emperor.

Mr. Bryan entertained at dinner on the evening of March 31, the democratic editors of Nebraska. Mr. G. F. Rinehart, editor of the Des Moines (Ia.) Democrat-Chronicle, was present and in the afternoon addressed the Nebraska newspaper men.

Two hundred and fifty thousand coal miners went on a strike March 31. They are waiting for a wage settlement between the members of the United Mine Workers of America and the coal operators in the various fields.

In its issue of Wednesday, April 1, the Buffalo (N. Y.) Times said: "The unanimous endorsement of the Hon. William Jennings Bryan as democracy's candidate for president was the feature of the nine assembly district conventions held by the democrats of Buffalo and Erie county today. Resolutions endorsing Mr. Bryan were presented at each of the conventions and were adopted by them unanimously and amid applause from delegates."

The following resolutions, endorsing William J. Bryan as the democratic candidate for president of the United States, were adopted at the various New York assembly district conventions April 1: "Whereas, At a meeting of the democratic general committee of Erie county, held January 16, 1908, a resolution was unanimously adopted endorsing the Hon. William J. Bryan of Nebraska as the choice of the democratic party for the nomination of president of the United States; therefore and pursuant to said resolutions, it is hereby Resolved, That the delegates chosen to represent this assembly district to the democratic state convention to be held at New York City on April 14, 1908, be and are hereby instructed to vote for a resolution for an instructed delegation to represent this state at the national convention, to be held at Denver, Colo., July 7, 1908, endorsing the said nomination of the Hon. William J. Bryan for president."

The democratic central committee for the District of Columbia held a meeting March 31 and unanimously adopted resolutions endorsing Mr. Bryan for the presidency.

A republican majority in the house of representatives, in order to defeat the democrats in their efforts to force reform legislation, adopted a rule whereby house bills with senate amendment shall be sent to conference without any intervening motion of any kind on either of the two propositions. It was also provided that for the balance of this session a motion to take a recess shall be privileged and have precedence over a motion to adjourn, the question to be decided without debate or amendment. A further provision of the order was that during the remainder of the session it shall be in order to close debate by motion in the house, before going into committee of the whole, which motion shall not be subject to amendment or debate. When the reading of the rule was concluded the republicans broke out

into applause and derisive laughter at the expense of the democrats. "I think it would be a good thing," shouted Mr. Sulzer of New York, "to add that the democrats can have nothing to say." "They never have had any," a voice was heard. "Will the minority have the usual twenty minutes to discuss this rule?" Mr. Williams inquired. "They will not," curtly replied Mr. Dalzell. "I just wanted the house and the country to know that fact," Mr. Williams remarked. "We know it, we know it," some one on the republican side remarked. Mr. Dalzell then reiterated his statement made yesterday that the purpose of the rule was to expedite business, "to release the house from the grasp of this idiotic filibuster inaugurated by the gentleman from Mississippi."

POPULIST NATIONAL CONVENTION

The populist national convention was in session for several days at St. Louis and on April 3 nominated this ticket:

For president, Thomas E. Watson, of Georgia.

For vice president, Samuel W. Williams, of Indiana.

The Nebraska delegation and the Minnesota delegation, the latter state being represented by one man, withdrew from the convention.

After the convention the Nebraska delegation made the following statement:

"The meeting of certain members of the populist national committee in St. Louis, November 26, 1907, at which time it was decided to call this convention, was irregular because members of the national committee from several states were never notified of such a meeting and were not represented. The appointment of delegates made by this so-called committee, to the national convention, was so made as to practically disfranchise the populist states and place the control of the convention in the hands of men from the eastern states, in many of which a populist vote was never cast. This so-called committee also invited other organizations, not populist, to send delegates to the convention, among whom was the monetary league, and the national provisional committee, the latter casting a vote in the convention, in excess of those states that had conventions and had regularly accredited populist delegates present. We feel, therefore, that we are not bound by the action of a committee composed of men, who are not accredited populist delegates; and we feel in no way bound to support the ticket nominated today by this convention.

"A further reason why we are not bound by the convention, men were allowed to represent states in which they do not reside, and have not lived for years. We took no part in the nomination of Mr. Watson or Mr. Williams and are under no obligations to support them. We do not hesitate to say that if Mr. Bryan is nominated at Denver by the democrats the populists of Nebraska will support him to a man."

The Associated Press says:

Thomas E. Watson, the presidential nominee, is well known throughout the country and his political life is familiar history.

Samuel W. Williams, the candidate for vice president, is a resident of Vincennes, Ind., where he has practiced law for many years. He is sixty-two years of age and has al-

ways been more or less of an active participant in politics. He was at one time a democratic member of the Indiana legislature, but has been identified with the populist party since its creation. He is gray-haired and gray-bearded, about five feet, two inches tall, lean and of a nervous temperament.

At a meeting tonight of the new national committee James H. Ferris, of Joliet, Ill., was re-elected chairman and Jay W. Forrest of Albany, N. Y., was chosen vice chairman.

The Platform

The following is the populist platform:

The people's party of the United States in convention assembled, at St. Louis, Mo., this second day of April, 1908, with increased confidence in its contentions, reaffirms the declaration made by the national convention at Omaha.

"The admonitions of Washington's
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