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BIG MEETING BEGINS

Chairman New Starts Wheels of Republican Convention.

Temporary Chairman Reviews Work of Republican Party—Praises President Roosevelt for Refusing to Accept Nomination for Third Term.

Chicago, June 16.—Amid miles of streaming and thousands of flags used in decorating the interior of the big Coliseum, and with practically all delegates in their seats from the various states, territories and possessions of the nation, together with thousands of enthusiastic spectators, Harry S. New of Indiana, chairman of the national committee, called the Republican national convention to order at noon today. After prayer by Bishop P. J. Muldoon of Chicago, Chairman New was presented with the gavel which will do service during all sessions of the present convention. Following this, the official convention call was read by Secretary Elmer Dover of Ohio, after which Chairman New introduced Senator J. C. Burrows of Michigan as temporary chairman. Mr. Burrows, on assuming the chair, made a speech in the nature of a keynote for the Republicans in the campaign. He spoke, in part, as follows:

Senator Burrows' Address.

"Four years ago the Republican party in national convention submitted the record of its achievements to the American people, announced its policies for the future, and, invoking continuance of public favor, placed in nomination for the office of president and vice president of the United

JULIUS C. BURROWS.

States Theodore Roosevelt and Charles W. Fairbanks, who were elected and the platform approved by a popular vote of 7,623,485, a record unprecedented in the history of political parties since the foundation of the government, receiving the indorsement of 32 states out of the 45, with but 13 in opposition.

"Since the last national Republican convention, four years ago, our population has increased from 81,500,000 to 87,500,000, while 4,000,000 of immigrants from every quarter of the globe have found welcome to our shores and protection under our flag.

"During the last four years our flocks and herds have increased in value from $2,998,000,000 to $4,331,000,000.

"The value of our farm products from $5,917,000,000 to $7,412,000,000.

"Our product of gold from $74,000,000 to $90,000,000.

"The accumulation in savings banks of $2,815,000,000 in 19 3 was augmented to $3,495,000,000 in 1907.

"Two millions of spindles in our cotton mills were added, and the domestic cotton used in our factories in 1907 amounted to over 5,000,000 bales, as against 3,924,000 bales in 1903.

"In spite of the disquieting conditions incident to the regulation of rates on interstate railroads, 20,000 miles of new trackage have been added in the past four years.

"The output of pig iron, the barometer of trade, in 1907 was 25,781,000 tons, as against a little over 18,000,000 tons in 1903, and our exports of iron and steel increased from $96,642,000 in 1903 to $181,531,000 in 1907.

"Our exports of manufactures advanced from $468,000,000 in 1903 to $740,000,000 in 1907.

"Our imports of raw material for use in domestic manufacture increased from $330,000,000 in 1903 to $447,000,000 in 1907, while our exports in the calendar year of 1907 were nearly $2,000,000,000, an increase of 30 per cent over those of four years ago. The mills and factories temporarily closed by reason of financial disturbances are rapidly resuming operations, calling labor back to profitable employment.

"This record of material activity in field and forest, factory and farm, mines and mills during the last four years might be indefinitely extended, but this is quite sufficient to show the development and robust condition of our industrial life."

Lodge for Permanent Chairman.

Senator Lodge of Massachusetts was confirmed by the committee on permanent organization as permanent chairman. The credentials and resolutions committees are still at work. Secretary Taft insists on an anti-injunction plank in the platform.

The boom of Governor Cummins of Iowa was launched and it is predicted that he will run a close race with Vice President Fairbanks for second place.

SUIT AGAINST COAL ROADS

Government Defends Commodity Clause of Hepburn Act.

Philadelphia, June 17.—A legal contest to determine the constitutionality of the commodity clause of the Hepburn act, passed by congress, was begun in the United States circuit court here when arguments were made in the proceedings instituted by the government to restrain seven coal-carrying railroads from transporting anthracite coal from mines in Pennsylvania in which they are interested, to points outside the state. The government was represented in the proceedings by Attorney General Bonaparte and two special assistants, A. Allison Wilmer and T. C. Spelling. The interests of the railroads were looked after by a host of lawyers, headed by John G. Johnson of Philadelphia and Robert DeForest of New York. Judges Dallas, Gray and Buffington were on the bench. Wilmer and Spelling spoke for the government and were followed by DeForest.

Johnson will finish for the railroads and Attorney General Bonaparte will make the closing argument for the government. Both of Bonaparte's assistants made a strong defense of the commodity clause of the Hepburn act. Spelling was emphatic in his statements that the government could regulate railroads, and he asserted that congress had the power to stop every railroad car on its tracks. DeForest, for the companies, took issue with this statement and said that the attorney for the government attempted to wave the red flag alongside that of the Stars and Stripes.

Young Man Kills Self When Suspected of Stealing Diamond Rings.

Council Bluffs, Ia., June 12.—Traced by means of a diamond ring given to the daughter of one of Council Bluffs' prominent families, to whom he was engaged to be married, and confronted with what seemed to be positive proof that he was the chief in the diamond robbery which stirred the city last December, Robert A. Brown, clerk in a shoe store, committed suicide. His body was found on the bed in his room when search was made for the man wanted in police court. A revolver laid by his side, and it was found that he had shot himself twice in the right side.

Brown formerly roomed with F. M. Scar, clerk in the First National bank, and while he was still rooming with him, diamonds belonging to Scar and valued at $300, were stolen. This was in December, but no suspicion attached to Brown. Recently the police suspected the shoe clerk of the theft on account of his giving a diamond ring to his fiance, Miss Coyle, and also because he sometimes wore a diamond.

Chicago, June 16.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,500; steady to strong; beeves, $5.00@8.20; Texans, $4.65@6.00; westerns, $4.70@6.25; stockers and feeders, $2.60@5.50; cows and heifers, $2.50@6.50; calves, $4.75@6.25. Hogs—Receipts, 21,000; steady; lights, $5.30@5.77½; mixed, $5.40@5.85; heavy, $5.30@5.82½; rough, $5.30@5.50; good to choice heavy, $5.50@5.82½; pigs, $4.35@5.25; bulk of sales, $5.60@5.80. Sheep—Receipts, 18,000; steady; natives, $3.40@5.50; westerns, $3.40@5.50; yearlings, $4.80@5.75; lambs, $4.25@6.60; westerns, $4.50@6.75.

South Omaha Live Stock.

South Omaha, June 16.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,500; best steady, others lower; native steers, $5.00@8.00; cows and heifers, $3.50@6.50; stockers and feeders, $3.00@5.25. Hogs—Receipts, 16,000; strong to 5c higher; heavy, $5.55@5.65; mixed, $5.50@5.55; light, $5.40@5.57½; pigs, $4.50@5.25; bulk of sales, $5.50@5.57½. Sheep—Receipts, 6,000; slow and weak.

Notice of Application For Saloon License

To the Honorable Board of County Commissioners of Webster County, Nebraska:

The petition of the undersigned residents of the Oak Creek precinct of Webster county, Nebraska, respectfully represent:

First—That they are resident freeholders of the said Oak Creek precinct, Webster county, Nebraska.

Second—They respectfully pray that a license to sell malt, spirituous and vinous liquors within the said precinct for the ensuing year may be granted to John H. Kohmetscher, said business to be conducted in a one story frame building situated on lot eleven (11), block twelve (12), of the village of Roremont in said precinct.

Third—That said John H. Kohmetscher is a resident of the state of Nebraska and is a man of respectable character and standing.

And as in duty bound they will ever pray.

Notice is hereby given John H. Kometscher has filed in the office of the county clerk of Webster county, Nebraska, this 21st day of May A. D. 1908, his petition signed by the required number of resident freeholders

E. W. Ross, County Clerk.