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VALENTINE, NEBRASKA.

HAS ENOUGH VOTES

IOWA STATE CONVENTION IS NOW CONCEDED TO BE IN TAFT'S CONTROL.

SURE OF FOUR DELEGATES

Careful Compilation of the Figures from County Gatherings, Including Caucus Results. Given President Taft 741 Votes.

Des Moines, Io.—On the face of the returns from ninety-five counties President Taft's supporters will control the election of the four delegates at large from the Iowa States Republican convention to be held at Cedar Rapids April 24.

A careful compilation of the figures from the county conventions, including caucus results in nine counties, gives President Taft 741 delegates, Senator A. B. Cummins 650 delegates and Col. Roosevelt 24 delegates.

To control the convention by the barest majority Senator Cummins will have to win Cherokee, Jackson, Marshall and Muscatine counties' solid representation of votes and poll the Roosevelt strength of twenty-four delegates in Page and Mills counties. In that situation the Cummins column would read 743 delegates.

There are 1,481 accredited delegates to the convention. Seven hundred forty-one govern the selection of a delegate at large. The fact that there are 120 uninstructed Taft delegates elected and 70 uninstructed Cummins delegates elected must be taken into consideration. The four counties missing are in progressive territory and the Cummins men expect to carry all of them.

AN UNLUCKY WRECK.

Wife No. 2 Learns Through Papers of Whereabouts of Her Spouse.

La Crosse, Wis.—It was an unlucky wreck for Bert A. Bond, brakeman on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad, which caught him in a smashup at Newport, Wis., two weeks ago and sent him to the hospital at La Crosse.

Bond was living here with one wife, Mrs. Bert A. Bond, No. 2, who had heard of the wreck and thus located her husband, arrived from Burlington, Ia., and swore out a warrant for his arrest on a charge of desertion. The day's mail also brought to the railroad company a letter from a woman near Quincy, Ill., who claims to be the wife of Bond, and hearing that he had been killed in a wreck, asked that his clothing and other effects be sent to her.

Bond is still in a hospital and is showing no anxiety to get out.

Wife No. 1, who is said to be really wife No. 3, was taken to jail for sixty days on a charge of associating with Bond, though she knew they were not legally married.

Merger Suit Fight.

Washington, D. C.—The earnestness with which the Union Pacific-Southern Pacific merger suit is to be fought in the supreme court of the United States became apparent when D. T. Watson and H. F. Stambaugh, both of Pittsburgh, filed a brief in behalf of Henry C. Frick, the steel magnate, and one of the defendants. The attorneys claim that the charges against Mr. Frick narrow down to the fact that he owns stock and is serving as a director of several of the defendant's railroads, "which are to some extent competitors." It is urged that there were no evidence whatever in the case in favor of Mr. Frick the law would presume these facts to be lawful under the Sherman anti-trust law.

Candidate for Congress.

Harvey, N. D.—Senator H. J. Bessemer of this city has announced himself as a candidate for congress from the Second congressional district of North Dakota. He is the third progressive candidate who has entered the race.

Live Stock Market.

Sioux City.—Cattle—Good to choice corn fed steers, \$7.25@8.25; medium to good, \$6.25@7.25; good to choice fat cows and heifers, \$5.25@6.50; grass cows, \$3.50@5.00; canners and cutters, \$2.50@3.75; bulls, \$3.75@6.00; veals, \$3.50@7.50. Hogs—Prices range from \$7.40@7.85, with a bulk of the sales at \$7.65@7.75. Sheep—Lambs, \$6.00@7.00; yearlings \$5.75@6.50; ewes, \$4.00@5.50.

Cubs Trim Hoosiers.

Indianapolis, Ind.—The Chicago Nationals made it three straight in the exhibition series with an easy victory over the Indianapolis association team, 8 to 1.

Theodore, Jr., a Bond Clerk.

New York.—Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., is a full fledged pupil in Wall street. He makes his debut in the world of high finance as a bond clerk in the brokerage offices of a Wall street firm.

RODGERS IS KILLED

NOTED AVIATOR PLUNGES 250 FEET TO DEATH WHEN AIRSHIP DROPS.

SCRAMBLE FOR SOUVENIRS

Transcontinental Airman Drops into Ocean at Long Beach, Cal.—Was the First to Cross the Country in an Aeroplane.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The only man who ever flew across the American continent, Calbraith Perry Rodgers, was killed here when his biplane fell 250 feet into the breakers at Long Beach.

Rodgers fell from his seat in the machine and his body shot downward ahead of the biplane, striking in the shallow surf. His neck was broken, and he died instantly.

With several thousand people watching him, he ascended for an exhibition flight, taking off at the edge of the beach. Rising about 150 feet, the machine suddenly tilted at a perilous angle, and the spectators realized that something was wrong.

Rodgers managed to right the aeroplane and again began to climb in a long spiral. When he was about 400 feet in the air the machine suddenly dipped sharply and plunged like a plummet seaward.

An instant after Rodgers struck the shallow water the machine crashed into the surf and was reduced to a mass of splintered wreckage and tangled wire, so that the exact cause of the accident may never be known, although it is believed that one of the wire guys broke as he was rising in the air.

For a moment the spectators stood horror-stricken, and then ensued a wild scramble into the surf for souvenirs. Seekers for ghastly relics plunged knee deep into the surf, and the police had to use their clubs to fight them back.

Thus ended the career of one of the most brilliant, daring and resourceful airmen of the age.

The official end of his epoch-making flight was made November 6 last at Pasadena. One week later he started from that city to fly to Long Beach and actually dip the planes of his machine into the Pacific ocean. He had passed over the extreme eastern end of Los Angeles and, when thousands were thronging the beach waiting for him, news was flashed that he had fallen at Compton and was badly hurt. How he ever escaped death will never be told. He and his machine fell at least 100 feet.

Less than a year has elapsed since Rodgers first touched an aeroplane. June 6, 1911, he appeared at the Wright brothers' field at Dayton, O., and said he wished to learn to be an aviator.

Ninety minutes after he took his seat in a machine for the first time he soared into the air away from his instructors.

That stamped him as a man of action. When he began his coast-to-coast flight there were many experienced aviators who said that if any man in the world would accomplish the feat, "Cal" Rodgers was the man.

He did it. In forty-nine days from the time he ascended at Sheepshead Bay, N. Y., he landed on the Pacific coast. He had flown 4,231 miles in 4,924 minutes actual time in the air.

Four times he had rebuilt his wrecked machine after falls that would have taken the courage out of the ordinary man. Eight times he had replaced parts.

Over three mountain ranges, two great deserts and the great continental plain; over rivers and lakes, cities and forests, alone and dependent, wholly upon himself, while in the air, he had crossed the continent.

CAMPA REPULSED AT PARRAL

General Tellez's Federal Command From Torreon Reached Beleaguered City in Time to Assist.

Jimenez, Chihuahua.—Defeated in his attack upon Parral, Gen. Emilio Campa retreated to the liberal base here, leaving only a small force near Parral, and these are now being driven back.

General Tellez's federal command from Torreon reached the beleaguered city before the liberal command attacked and this brought the strength of the defending garrison to a number estimated by the liberals at nearly 2,000. They beat back the rebels with ease in the fighting.

Campa was forced to retreat, losing one of his field pieces in the retreat and now the federalists who hold the city are pressing north after him and engaging a command of 400 under Major Quevedo, left by Campa to cover his retreat and harass the federalists. Gen. Inez Salazar and Gen. Luis Fernandez have been dispatched towards Parral with other troops and a big battle is expected to take place at a point between this place and Parral when the two armies meet.

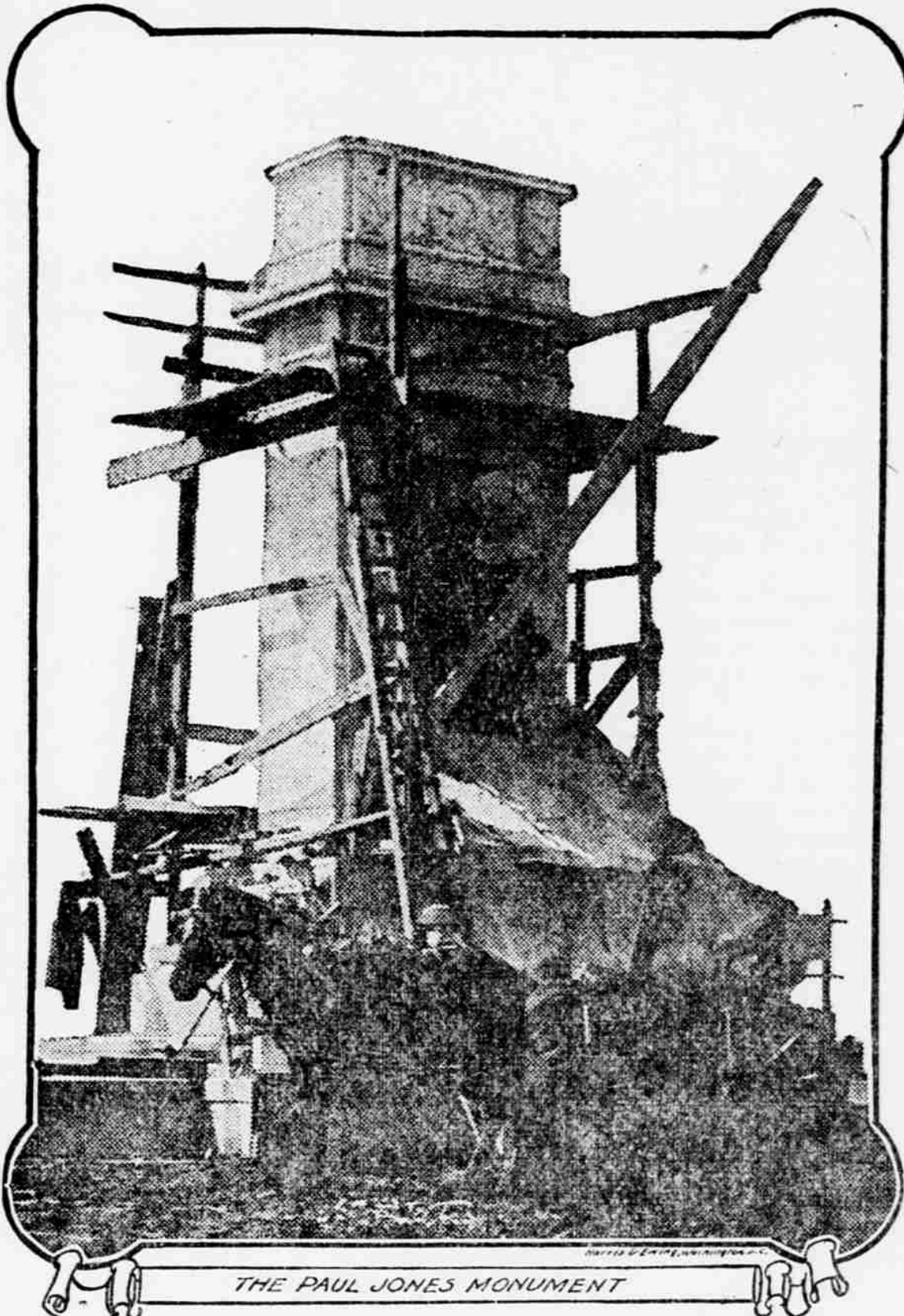
Cannot Find Arbutle's Will.

New York.—It was admitted here that all efforts to discover a will which might have been left by John Arbutle, the millionaire sugar and coffee merchant, who died last week in Brooklyn, had been unsuccessful.

Valuable Horse Is Dead.

Louisville.—Montgomery Squirrel, a five-gaited show stallion, owned by Dr. T. D. Finck and valued at \$5,000, tried to jump his stall and broke his neck, dying instantly. The horse had been exhibited in many prize shows.

MONUMENT TO JOHN PAUL JONES



THE PAUL JONES MONUMENT

THE monument to John Paul Jones in Potomac park, Washington, will be unveiled on April 17. It is the work of Charles J. Niehaus, a New York sculptor, and congress appropriated \$50,000 for its erection. The photograph shows the monument nearing completion.

UNDER FEDERAL LAW

HOUSE COMMITTEE LINKS MAILS AND EXPRESS IN ADOPTED BILL.

ZONE IS BASIS FOR CHARGES

Would Interchange Packages With Rural Delivery Service—Highest Rate for Greatest Distance Is 12 Cents a Pound—Senators Seated.

Washington.—A bill enlarging the interstate commerce law so as to place express companies under the commission was reported to the house by the committee on interstate commerce.

Provision would be made for rate zones, the charges varying according to the distance the package was carried from the point of origin. A close working arrangement also would be provided between the express companies and the rural free delivery system of the post office department.

The bill would govern the transportation of packages not exceeding eleven pounds in weight and with a valuation of \$80 or less. No allowance would be made for the expense of transfer from one express company to another.

The rates would be fixed as follows: Between any two points in the United States more than 2,000 miles apart, 12 cents a pound; not more than 2,000 miles apart, 10 cents; not more than 1,200 miles apart, 7 cents; not more than 800 miles apart, 5 cents; not more than 600 miles apart, 4 cents, and between points not more than 250 miles apart, 2 cents a pound.

It is provided, however, that no express company shall be compelled to accept for transportation any package for a charge of less than 10 cents.

An innovation in the bill is the provision for co-operation between the express companies and the rural free delivery routes. Express matter destined for a farmer living on a rural mail route would be delivered by the express agent at the nearest point to its destination, where, provided the shipper had attached the necessary postage, it would be turned over to the mail carrier, through the regular channels, for delivery. Rural carriers likewise would be authorized to accept matter on which postage had been paid for delivery to the express company.

The senate became a body of 96 members, the new states of New Mexico and Arizona contributing the four additional senators. Thomas B. Catron and Albert B. Fall of New Mexico, Republicans, and W. A. Smith and H. F. Ashurst of Arizona, Democrats, were the new members to take the oath on the dais in front of the vice-president's chair.

Senators Catron and Ashurst were chosen to serve until 1917, Fall until 1913 and Smith until 1915.

Dafoe to Manage Manitoba Road. St. Paul, Minn.—C. E. Dafoe, formerly superintendent of terminals for the Chicago Great Western railway in St. Paul, has been appointed superintendent of the Midland railway of Manitoba, recently acquired by the Northern Pacific.

Japan Greets Baden-Powell. Tokyo, Japan.—The Yokohama boy scouts, comprising several nationalities, welcomed General Baden-Powell, founder of the organization, on his arrival in their city.

HOUSE PASSES BILL

NEW WOOL MEASURE GOES THROUGH—VOTE 189 TO 92.

Majority Leaders Believe People Will Support Effort Whether Veto Is Used or Not.

Washington.—The house of representatives, by a vote of 189 to 92, passed the Democratic bill reducing the tariff duties on wool, wool clothing, carpets and other products.

The measure is identical with the Underwood bill passed by the house last session and the Democratic majority preserved it intact from amendment by the Republicans in putting it through the house.

It provides a 20 per cent. ad valorem duty on raw wool, which amounts to about five cents a pound specific duty as compared with the 11 cents in the Aldrich-Payne law.

This and other reductions in the bill average about 47 per cent. and the effect, according to the Democrats, would be a material decrease in the price of clothing and other wool products.

Eighteen Republican progressives and two regulars—Nye and Stevens of Minnesota—voted with the Democrats in favor of the bill, and one Democrat—Francis of Ohio—voted against it.

MILWAUKEE SOCIALISTS LOSE

Fusion Ticket Wins Election by Majority of Over 18,000 Votes—Campaign Very Violent.

Milwaukee, Wis.—Dr. Gerhard A. Bading, Republican, has been elected mayor of Milwaukee on a Fusion ticket, on which his associates were J. P. Carney and Louis M. Koteck, treasurer and city controller, respectively, both Democrats. This marks the downfall of Socialism by the biggest vote ever cast in any election in Milwaukee. The Fusion ticket, with eight aldermen at large, and a majority of the ward aldermen, is carried into office by a majority over the Socialists of over 18,000.

The result follows the most violent city campaign in Milwaukee history, as evidenced by the fact that 50,000 votes were polled, out of total registration of 90,000, and as compared with 60,000 votes for the highest previous record of any election.

MAINE ELECTS U. S. SENATOR

Obadiah Gardner Will Serve Out Remainder of Term for Which He Was Appointed.

Augusta, Me.—United States Senator Obadiah Gardner, Democrat, received a majority of the votes cast in both branches of the legislature for United States senator to serve for the remainder of his term ending on March 4, 1913. He was appointed by Governor Plaisted upon the death of Senator William P. Frye, Republican.

Reflect Parents' Hate.

Milwaukee.—An unprecedented situation arose in a school in the Twenty-second ward, a Socialistic ward here, when the pupils in several rooms refused to stand and join in the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner," as the result of Socialist anger at the defeat in the election.

Doctor on Trial for Murder.

Bad Axe, Mich.—The trial of Dr. Robert A. McGregor, accused of the murder of Seyrel Sparling by administering poison, opened here.

TRAINS HELD BY FLOOD

2,500 PASSENGERS TIED UP AT FREMONT, NEB.

Shelby, Schneider, and Other Indiana Towns Inundated by Raging Rivers.

Fremont, Neb.—Twenty-four transcontinental trains on the Union Pacific and Northwestern railroads, en route from different Pacific coast cities to Chicago, are tied up in Fremont by floods on the Elkhorn river between here and Omaha.

Hammond, Ind.—The flood along the Kankakee river has assumed larger proportions, and another dike, the Hack embankment, south of Schneider, Ind., gave way, inundating 25,000 acres.

Shelby, Water Valley and Schneider are accessible only by boat, and much damage has been done to farms.

Muscataine, Ia.—The flood situation in the Mississippi, Cedar and Iowa rivers is the worst in years. The Mississippi is within two feet of the danger mark, but the crest of the rise is said to be here.

Cairo, Ill.—With the river marking 53 feet, which is eight-tenths higher than ever before, with all territory both north and south covered with water, Cairo and the drainage district north of the city are both safe and dry, being protected by substantial levees. Reports from McClure, Ill., state that the country about there is being flooded, and farmers are taking out their families and driving their stock to the hills. The Mississippi river is now twenty-two feet higher than the Ohio.

Des Moines, Ia.—One hundred and fifty families residing in the bottoms along the Des Moines river within the city limits have been driven from their homes by high water.

FOUR HELD IN LAND FRAUD

U. S. Employees Are Indicted as a Result of Florida Everglades Inquiry at Washington.

Washington, D. C.—Indictments growing out of the Florida everglades investigation in the department of agriculture were returned by the federal grand jury here against C. G. Elliott, A. D. Morehouse, Ray P. Teele and Frank E. Singleton. The defendants are charged individually with having approved or presented false vouchers against the government.

Elliott and Morehouse have asserted that the charges of technical violation of the law against them and their dismissal from the department were brought about by their opposition to everglades land promoters.

Elliott formerly was chief of drainage investigations in the department of agriculture; Morehouse was assistant chief; Teele formerly was an assistant chief of irrigation investigations, and Singleton an accountant. Singleton is under suspension.

CAPT. SCOTT IS HEARD FROM

Explorer Sends Ship Back for Supplies—To Remain Away for a Year.

Wellington, New Zealand.—The British explorer, Capt. Robert F. Scott, will remain in the antarctic for another year to complete the scientific and exploration work which he has undertaken there.

This word was brought to civilization by Captain Scott's vessel, the Terra Nova, which arrived in Akaroa, a harbor in the Banks peninsula. The captain of the vessel brought from the southern cape of the world the following message, signed by Scott: "I am remaining in the antarctic for another winter in order to continue and complete my work."

GEN. GRANT SERIOUSLY ILL

Said to Be Afflicted With Disease That Killed His Father—Forced to Secure Leave of Absence.

New York.—Though all of the officers at the headquarters of the department of the east on Governor's island are maintaining discreet silence, it has become known here that Maj. Gen. Frederick Dent Grant, the commander of the department, has quietly left the island on a four months' sick leave. An affliction of the throat, said to be similar to that which caused the lingering illness and final death of his father, Gen. Ulysses S. Grant, is the cause for General Grant's sudden departure from his duty.

Senator Gore Near Death.

Waukesha, Wis.—Thomas P. Gore, the blind United States senator from Oklahoma, while addressing a meeting of Wilson supporters, was attacked here by a maniac, who tried to kill him with a club. Judge Hamlin, who was presiding, saw the danger just in time to knock the maniac down as his club swung within a few inches of the senator's head.

Two Yankee Horses Win.

Paris.—Two American-owned horses were successful at the race meeting at St. Cloud. W. K. Vanderbilt's Hightly won the Prix Simonian and Thomas P. Thorne's Monsieur Guerin won the Prix de Mareil.

Breaking Ice in Lake Superior.

Duluth.—To facilitate the early movement of grain, the ice breaker James Whalen of Port Arthur is cutting a channel through the ice fields from that port to open water, fifteen miles out.

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Hicks—So many American millionaires have lost their fortunes lately.

Medical Genius.

An old doctor, seeing a young one who was going along the street with half a dozen shabby-looking men and women, called him aside and asked: "Who are all those people, and where are you going with them?"

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