

POLITICAL DUEL WITH CANNED TALKS.

Big Crowd in Spokane Witness to Unique Duel.

Spokane, Wash., Sept. 28.—Oratory consisting of extracts from campaign speeches on various national issues by William Howard Taft and William Jennings Bryan, uncanned in photographs, instrumental selections and topical songs, also of the "canned" variety, were the weapons employed in a daylight duel fought in Spokane.

The affair, probably the most unique and novel in the history of politics in the Northwest, was pulled off in the residence district on the north side of town recently and was witnessed by several hundred persons, attracted to the scene when the machines started to grind out the candidates' comments upon the questions of the hour.

There was no official referee, no seconds or bottle holders at the outset, but as the personal views of the standard bearers slid out of the horns and hit the atmosphere, the lines of partisanship were quickly drawn and it required only a count of noses to take the straw ballot.

The Principals Meet.

Graham and Leonard, who are recent arrivals in Spokane, met in the Spokane theater several weeks ago, when J. G. Phelps Stokes of New York talked two hours on "The Adaptability and Reasonableness of Socialism." They occupied adjoining seats and struck up an acquaintance, learning they occupied apartments nearly opposite each other. They were in the audience in Masonic temple a week later, when Eugene W. Chaffin of Chicago, prohibition candidate for the presidency, announced he would have an old-fashioned house cleaning in the city of Washington in the event of the establishment of the national water wagon route.

Debs Starts Trouble.

They also heard Eugene V. Debs in the state armory the night of September 17. That was the beginning of the trouble. Every time Debs upper-cut the Republican party Graham blistered his palms by energetic hand clapping, and when the Terre Haute man swung right and left on the Democrats Leonard rose in his chair and cheered till he was almost black in the face. The climax was reached when the chief-tan of the Red Special hooked both candidates and figuratively bumped their heads together.

Hot words passed and the two men hurled parliamentary language at each other until they reached the street, where they were literally swept off their feet by the surging throng waiting to get a near view of Debs.

Graham Buys Phonograph.

Graham laid in a half dozen records by Bryan the following day and, seeing Leonard in his room, he poked the horn of the phonograph far out of the open window and turned loose the boss Democrat's views on the labor question. Leonard took down his E-flat cornet and blew "Everybody Works but Father." Graham retaliated with Bryan's argument for publicity on campaign contributions, and his erstwhile friend over the way whistled "Every Little Bit Added to What You've Got Makes Just a Little Bit More."

This seemingly angered Graham, and he adjourned the session by slamming down the window and drawing down the curtains. With this Leonard slipped down the back stairs into a store, where he bought a phonograph and a supply of Taft records and songs.

The stuff was carted to his room the same afternoon. It did not escape the eagle eye of Graham who, scenting an argument, lost no time in hunting up more Bryan cylinders.

Hostilities Open.

Challenged and challenger parted without further parleying, and ten minutes later Leonard began hostilities with a series of bugle calls, which was followed by the opening bars of "Somebody's Waiting for You." Graham came back with "I've Got My Fingers Crossed; You Can't Touch Me," switching quickly to "Just Before the Battle, Mother."

Leonard's first lunge in the preliminary fiddling was on Taft's position upon the rights and progress of the negro, in which the judge says he stands squarely upon the party plank declaring in favor of justice to all men, without regard to race or color.

Graham sent over a hot one. It was the chorus of a coon song, "Somebody Lied."

Leonard's thrustal was a song number, entitled "Who? Me?" "You Ain't the Man I Thought You Was," were the words sung out full and strong by Graham's machine.

A Slap at Bryan.

Then Leonard slipped in a cylinder marked "I'm Old but I'm Awfully Tough."

This bit of repartee was heartily enjoyed by the crowd which had gathered in the street, and the two combatants went at it hammer and tongs. When the wheels in Graham's machine resumed their whirling, the voice of the sage of Lincoln was heard with all its sarcasm at the expense of

the defenders of the protective tariff. After reviewing events leading to the raising of the tariff, following the war, and declaring that his party demands reduction as the "infant industries" are not only able to stand upon their feet but also walk all over everybody else's feet. Bryan continued: "This tariff plank of the Denver convention not only demands—"

But the voice never finished the sentence, as Leonard started a blast with a "Merry Ha! Ha!" song, which scored. He followed this up with Taft's declaration that the Democratic policy prevents the restoration of prosperity, adding:

"Such a course as taking the tariff off on all articles coming into competition with the so-called trusts would not only destroy the trusts but all of their smaller competitors."

Graham's rejoinder was the chorus of Murray K. Hill's droll song, "Old Glory," in which the Bryanites joined with vigor.

Leonard's cylinder was well into the judge's review of the progress of the peoples of our foreign dependencies when the din ceased, and before another interruption came Leonard's phonograph had spouted out these words:

"It would be cowardly to lay down the burden of bridging education and happiness to the millions of these people until our purpose is achieved."

Imperialism.

"Imperialism," cried an excited man, as Graham reached for a new record, adding "Let's hear what Bill Bryan says about that."

Short, though full of meat, were the sentences that issued from the Graham horn, Bryan's voice declaring that the Republican party has never dared to admit its imperialistic purpose, "and yet," it continued, "it is administering a colonial policy upon a theory utterly opposed to that of self-government."

Leonard's retort was a song, the chorus of which was "Mother Hain't Spoke to Father Since."

At this point a score of phonographs and self-taught pianists and horn-blowers in the neighborhood joined in the melee and a clash was threatened. Then one machine, louder than the rest, broke in with "The Red, White and Blue," and some one started "You're a Grand Old Flag." The words and air were taken up by the crowd and the novel duel was at an end.

Four Cars in Taft Special.

Four cars will make up the Taft special which will stop in Norfolk next Wednesday morning on a three days' trip through Nebraska. The special train will consist of the private cars "Constitution" and "Riva," the compartment car Alabama and a North-western baggage car.

Tripp County Has a Paper.

Press dispatches today tell that Tripp county again has a newspaper, Howard Seiser of Beemer having revived the weekly paper at Lamro. This week the first issue of the Lamro Index, his new paper, will appear. It is the only paper in the county which will be opened to settlement next month.

A Unique Prescription.

The medical profession is not, as a rule, addicted to quoting the Hebrew scriptures, particularly to their patients or in their prescriptions, but there is one such in file in a certain drug store that is evidently intended to convey a moral. This prescription is given for a dipso who had taken the "cure" and subsequently had fallen into his former condition. Beneath the anti-booze remedies and directions is the following verse: "When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man he walketh through dry places seeking rest, and finding none he saith, I will return into mine house whence I came out. And when he cometh he findeth it swept and garnished. Then goeth he and taketh to him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter in and dwell there, and the last state of that man is worse than the first."

RAY KENNARD IS PARDONED

Has Typhoid Fever—Was Serving a Year for a Norfolk Offense.

Raymond R. Kennard of Plainview, sentenced to a year in the penitentiary after admitting his guilt in connection with the passing of forged Northwest paychecks in this city, was, according to advices from Lincoln, conditionally pardoned by Governor Sheldon Saturday.

Kennard now has typhoid fever and the governor has ordered him to be taken to a hospital in University Place near Lincoln, there to remain until he recovers.

Kennard, according to the governor's orders then will be taken to the home of his parents at Plainview, where he must be employed in some useful occupation. He must also make monthly reports of the amount of his earnings.

Ray Kennard is twenty-two years old. Norfolk people will remember his dramatic confession in the Madison court. He was received at the state prison March 11, 1908.

It has been understood for some time that the governor would probably pardon Kennard.

AUGUST LENSER SELLS FARM.

His Land Brings Price of \$65 Per Acre.

August Lenser sold his farm seven miles northwest of Norfolk on Monday to Henry Matthes of Stanton county for \$65 per acre. The farm consists of 164 acres and brought \$10,660. Mr. Lenser bought it a few years ago for \$5,000. He has now bought a farm in Gregory county, S. D.

C. E. BURNHAM HEADS NEBRASKA BANKERS.

Norfolk Man Instead of Lincoln Burnham, Elected.

C. E. Burnham of Norfolk, and not S. H. Burnham of Lincoln, was elected president of the Nebraska Bankers' association at Lincoln Friday evening. The Associated Press man at Lincoln was mistaken in the identity of the Burnham chosen to head the Nebraska financiers.

C. E. Burnham, the new president of the association, arrived home Saturday. He was surprised at the choice of himself for president, the selection coming to him suddenly and without any previous knowledge of it on his part.

MONDAY MENTION.

Joyce Hall returned yesterday from a Black Hills trip.

E. G. Donahue of O'Neill passed through Norfolk Saturday on his way to enter the Michigan law school at Ann Arbor.

R. W. Mills and daughter, Miss Lena Mills, spent Sunday in Stanton.

N. D. Hall and family are visiting in Omaha during the Ak-Sar-Ben.

Henry Hoeman is in Benson on a visit with his sister, Mrs. W. Selling. Miss Martha Steinkraus of Pierce visited with Miss Clara Moldenhauer between trains.

Mrs. George B. Christoph went to Omaha today to meet her sister, Mrs. C. J. Tubbs of Alliance, and attend the Ak-Sar-Ben carnival.

Mrs. J. Younger of Hudson, Wyo., is in the city visiting her sister, Mrs. O. W. Rish. From here she goes to Winnetoon to visit relatives.

Willard E. True, who is serving his eighth term as city auditor of Sioux City, spent Sunday in Norfolk. Mr. True was returning from Pierce county, where he owns a farm.

City Clerk Ed Harter will leave Tuesday morning for Rochester, Minn., for the purpose of having his limb further amputated. He says he expects to be back in time for council meeting next Tuesday night.

Local Manager P. A. Woods of the Singer Sewing Machine company has gone to Valentine and intermediate points on company business. His predecessor, James Poole, will probably leave for Omaha, where he will take a more important position with the Singer company, next week.

Among the day's out of town visitors were: John Brown, Battle Creek; Clarence Russell, Wisner; P. M. Moody, West Point; M. H. Christiansen, Plainview.

Mark M. Bellinger, a prominent Nebraska salesman, died Saturday at his home in Fremont. He was an Elk, a Mason and a member of the T. P. A.

Jack Koenigstein, receiver for the O'Brien store, has completed the invoice. The stock will be disposed of as a whole. If a purchaser can be found, otherwise it will be sold at retail.

Senator Owen of Oklahoma, who spoke in Norfolk Thursday night, spoke at Fremont Friday and also at West Point. Senator Latta of Tekamah accompanied the Oklahoma senator.

B. E. Hoffmaster, state agent for the Commercial Union and Palatine Insurance company, who has made his home in Norfolk for more than a year, will move to Omaha on Wednesday of this week.

Among the north Nebraska women chosen as "ladies of the court" by the board of directors of the Omaha Ak-Sar-Ben are Mrs. C. H. Reynolds of Norfolk, Mrs. Charles H. Cornell of Valentine, Mrs. A. Gadsby of Humphrey and Mrs. E. L. Myers of Newport. Among the young ladies of the north state country asked to act as court maids are Miss Nellie Wattles of Neligh, Miss Viola Viertel of Crookston, Miss Ella Steiren of West Point and Miss Ruth Peterson of Neligh.

Fremont Tribune: C. E. Burnham

of Norfolk was at the union station Saturday morning on his return from the state bankers' convention. Mr. Burnham was elected president of the Nebraska State Bankers' association. He said the guaranty of bank deposits was the only topic of talk among the bankers, both in and out of convention. Had the resolutions which rejected the proposition been acted on later in the convention the vote would have been even stronger against the guaranty of bank deposits.

Hi Henry's minstrels form a company that is first class in its line. They will appear at the Auditorium tonight. In keeping with the organization's complete new scenic display is the rich and costly wardrobe of heavy satins, brocades and plushes; the funny comedians, artistic singers, fine concert band and orchestra, fancy dancers and attractive advanced vaudeville. The performance closes with a breezy typical southern feature entitled "Dixey Land," introducing some of the clever character singing, buck and wing dancing and tricks and trials of the southern negro. The company carries a good band. Prices 25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.

"Look out for fires"—that is the advice of Norfolk firemen to Norfolk householders. When Norfolk firemen retired Saturday and Sunday nights they did so fully expecting to be called out before morning for a fire. The cold wave means always a possibility of fires. This is the fire season. It arrived with the rain and chill weather. During the summer months fires are nearly unknown. Those that occur usually result from gasoline explosions or from spontaneous combustion. But when stoves and fur-

unused during the summer are put to a severe test, the fire bells ring often and the "defective flue" gets in its work.

W. A. Witzigman, vice president

of the Nebraska National bank, who returned Saturday from Lincoln, where he attended the bankers' state convention, says that the sentiment for guaranty of bank deposits was confined entirely to the Democratic delegates, the Republicans who formed the big majority of the convention, opposing the scheme. One of the amusing features was that a Mr. Fleming, a banker from Oklahoma, who spoke in favor of the plan, was president of four Oklahoma banks, one of which recently failed. Mr. Witzigman states that if the bank guaranty plan should ever come to pass there is no likelihood that the national banks of Nebraska would throw up their charters, like many in Oklahoma have done, and re-organize as state banks. He says that the Nebraska national banks would follow the course of the remaining national banks in Oklahoma—retain their charters and establish a literary bureau for educational purposes.

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AK-SAR-BEN 21 FESTIVITIES OMAHA DAY PARADE - SEPT 29th NIGHT PARADE SEPT 30th FIREWORKS - OCT 1st CORONATION BALL OCT 2nd CHILDRENS BALL OCT 3rd. Order on absent Defendants. And now, on this fourth day of September, A. D. 1908, being at the September term A. D. 1907, of the said Court, it having been made to appear to the satisfaction of the said Court that this is a suit commenced to enforce a lien upon real property within the said District, and that Ada E. Hunter and ——— Hunter, her husband, whose first name is to this complainant unknown, defendants herein, are not inhabitants of, and have not been found within the said District, and have not voluntarily appeared in this suit, on motion of John M. Ragan, solicitor for the said complainant, it is considered by the Court and ordered that the said defendants above named be