

ALL GUESSES TURN ON "IF"

With Gresham Out of the Field Weaver is the Favorite.

SPLIT IN THE SOLID SOUTH PROMISED

First Delegate Arrives from Illinois—"Progressive Reciprocity" a Proposed Wrinkle—General Van Wyck on Free Silver—Notes.

Illinois, California, Washington, Oregon and Georgia are the first of the independent convention arrivals, but none has more than a single representative on the ground as yet, with the exception of Georgia, two of whose delegates came in yesterday morning.

These two are C. C. Post, chairman of the state central committee, and M. D. Irwin, secretary. They came in ahead to arrange for quarters for the balance of the delegation, which will be here Saturday morning. They are stopping at present at the Arcadia hotel, and are associated with Congressman Thomas E. Watson in the ownership of the People's Party, the official organ of the party in Georgia, published at Atlanta.

When asked as to the attitude of the Georgia delegation regarding the various candidates, Mr. Post said he would not say definitely, as no opportunity had been offered the delegates to express themselves. He believed, however, that they would favor Weaver to a man, although they would support any good man who stood squarely on every plank in the platform.

"How about Stewart of Nevada?" he was asked. "Stewart isn't our man." "How about Adams of Colorado?" "Not Adams."

"What's the matter with them?" "Well, we want something besides free silver. We are not in favor of the free silver scheme, and, furthermore, we want somebody who hasn't been jumped up for the occasion or hasn't even the appearance of it. We want a man who is a native of the state, and we want a man who has given some indication of having been sprung to meet a certain condition."

"Your subcommittee idea is just what Gresham is worth, isn't it?" "Vandervoort for second place."

"I saw something to that effect in the papers, but I don't believe I'll see there. I am something of a newspaper man myself. I think I can get a better idea of what Weaver to any of those whose names have as yet been mentioned for the place, although I prefer John Davis of Kansas to any other man I know."

"I think Vandervoort would give satisfaction to our people."

"What?" "Well, our reporter, who suddenly doubted his own ears."

"Why, you seem surprised. What is the matter?" "I inquired the gentlemanly Georgian with a flourish of his hand."

"Oh, nothing," gasped his interrogator. "I'm better now. Go on."

"Well, we don't know much about Vandervoort in this section, but from what we have heard we thought he was sound on all points. He would be a good man for second place, and there was some talk of making the ticket. Folk and Vanderhoop are the only ones who have been mentioned for the place, and we were given to understand that Vanderhoop was very strong in the west and with his powerful friends following would cement the different sections."

"But you didn't say how Gresham would suit?" "I think a man from a state farther west would suit us better. The south wants a western man; in fact she will not go for an eastern man."

"Nothing east of the Mississippi river?" "We would rather come out here, some where."

"What figure are you going to cut in southern politics this year?" "I believe that we will carry our state, and we are very sure of North Carolina. Some of the states are not so sure, but we can hardly be carried, but we will sweep some of them."

"Then you will split the solid south?" "I think we will split it, and we will have a party of our own."

"What will the convention do with prohibitions and universal suffrage?" "Nothing. The convention will be in the convention as delegates and will undoubtedly exercise their rights and ideas as they choose both before and after, but you must remember that the delegates are not a political party of a political party and not a conference of all reform organizations like the one in St. Louis. They were at liberty to urge the adoption of their ideas there, but they won't cut much of a figure here."

"It is reported that Watson will not be a candidate for the vice-presidential nomination?" "That is correct. His name will not be presented. Neither will he be here. He has been in Washington ever since congress convened, and during the session he has not been outside the city limits. He will not leave there until congress adjourns. They tried to get him home to look after his interests, as his opponent is already stumping the district against him, but he wouldn't do it. In reality, he don't need to."

"What is Rev. Sam Small going to do in the coming campaign?" "Why, they've nominated Sam for congress on the prohibition ticket and on the Ocala platform, but they don't expect him to stump, and they expected to catch a lot of our fellows by putting him on our platform, but they will slip up."

"How about the justly tick their thumbs under their suspenders and laugh. He can't get their votes."

One Gresham Delegation. J. C. Edwards is one of the delegates-at-large from Illinois. He gives it out cold that his delegation will be enthusiastically for Gresham. If Gresham will not take it he don't know just which way the delegation would go, but personally he would like to see Weaver get it, and thinks that the other Illinois delegates feel the same way. He wouldn't object to seeing Weaver in the Nevada man's barrel, and that isn't his way after. They don't want to nominate a man just because he has a lot of money to throw into the campaign fund.

Among the Delegates. Troyer of Washington, Funk of Oregon and Carl Browne of California are all Weaver men and say their delegations are behind them.

The other fifteen delegates from Washington are expected to arrive and are now looking for the remaining thirty-five delegates from California and seventeen from Oregon, who will arrive Friday morning. They join forces at Ogden.

Dr. C. W. Lane of Oakland, Cal., is here holding two positions. He gives it out cold that his congressional district and an one of them will present the name of S. F. Norton of Chicago for first place.

Carl Browne of California, who is already on the ground, has been characterized as "the Nat of the Pacific coast." He accompanied the delegation on his first trip west as his private secretary and also acted as special correspondent for the San Francisco Chronicle. Since leaving home he has been getting out a illustrated paper on a mimeograph, and distributes them to all with whom he comes in contact. He wears a buckskin coat, carries a rifle, and has a considerable amount of money. When you meet a friend, he will come out and say "Hi, how do you do?" and take it for granted that it is Browne. He addressed a large crowd last night at Jefferson Square. He illustrated his lecture with panoramic views, showing all phases of the industrial problem. The North Carolina delegation will arrive Friday morning.

Costs to Much to Come. There will be few visitors from the south-

NO FUSION FOR THE PROHIBITS

Cold Water Men Declare Against a Tie-Up with the Independents.

THEY PROPOSE TO PLAY A LONE HAND

Apostle St. John Enthusiases the National Convention with One of His Own Peculiar Speeches Upon Assuming the Temporary Chairmanship.

CINCINNATI, O., June 29.—Big music hall was gay with blooming plants, flowers, temperance inscriptions and portraits of Washington, Lincoln, Neal Dow and Frances Willard, when the sixth national convention of the prohibition party was called to order by Chairman Dickie of the national committee this morning. The proceedings opened with the hymn "America," the audience rising and joining in the singing.

At the conclusion Dr. J. G. Evans of Heding College, Illinois, offered prayer and Rev. Dr. M. C. Lockwood of Cincinnati welcomed the delegates on behalf of the city and state, saying among other things that the organized labor of the country was beginning to appreciate the fact that the labor and saloon problems were inseparable and that labor could never rise while the saloon flourished.

Declared Against Fusion. Prof. Dickie responded on behalf of the delegates. He said the prohibitionists know precisely what they were here for and exactly where they were going, and there was no danger that any outside would divert them from their religious purpose. "We are here," he added, "to put candidates in nomination and keep them in the field until we have closed our doors."

This allusion to no fusion with the people's party was loudly applauded. The speaker further declared that the delegates were to be named ex-Governor St. John as the temporary chairman.

With cheering waving of flags and hand-clapping greeted the motion of the famous Kansan's name and which was renewed as he stepped on the platform and assumed the chair. Governor St. John said that what is for our interest as a nation in the laws which affect international commerce.

"The republican party has been given much credit for the reciprocity clause of the McPhail bill. It was this one section of the bill, nearly doubling the amount of sugar which a man could get for, which would give people a right to what is more properly, if that is what it is. But the republican party cannot give it to them. If it puts its hands on the reciprocity clause, it will be a revenue it must increase the tariff on other articles to make good the deficiency for government expenses."

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INDEPENDENTS AT LINCOLN. Preparations Completed for the State Delegation Convention Today.

LINCOLN, Neb., June 29.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Lincoln is rapidly filling up with delegates who are here to attend the state convention of the people's independent party for the purpose of selecting eight delegates-at-large to the national convention at Omaha next Monday. There will be 72 delegates and the present indications are that nearly every county in the state will be represented by a full delegation.

Most of the prominent independents of the state are here, General Van Wyck and Carl Vanderhoop being among the first to arrive. The Jefferson delegation is headed by that veteran greenback apostle, John Saxon. Adams county is represented tonight by J. W. Moore and J. C. Edwards. Other delegates here from York, Hamilton, W. H. Bailey from Gage and J. W. Zink from Sherman.

Delegates are coming in on every train. The only work to be done tomorrow is the selection of delegates-at-large. There has already a lively contest has developed among the aspirants. Nearly every county in the state has its favorite candidate. The prominent candidates whose names are most frequently mentioned are Senator Van Wyck, J. H. Burrows, J. A. Burrows, W. H. Wiggins and Judge Neville. The opposition to the selection of General Van Wyck, if there is any, will not be heard until the national convention. There is a strong feeling of opposition to Powers, although the Hitchcock county delegates are divided and one faction threatens to present the name of J. C. Edwards. The independent of the fifth district have recommended the names of McPhail and Powers, and the probability is that both will be named without serious opposition.

Burrows' Nomination Means Trouble. If Jay Burrows is nominated there will be a bitter fight, and it looks tonight as if his name will be named. Burrows is a prominent independent of the state and is here with two candidates, J. W. Coulter and H. C. Fries. Each is exceedingly bitter in his opposition to Powers, and both are looking for a chance to get in.

Lincoln county will back Judge Neville and several northwestern counties have declared for him. His chances are excellent. Lancaster county has four candidates, J. V. Wolfe, O. E. Gosnell, C. Woodard and J. W. Emberson. Gode county will insist on the nomination of J. W. Wolfe. Adams county has a favorite son in the person of J. L. Coppe. Antelope county delegates are pushing the name of W. M. Daley. Part of Box Butte county presents two candidates, J. K. Neill and Jesse Wright, while Keya Paha is abouting lustily for Ralph Lewis.

At this time the delegates are in session and the meeting is being held in the evening. He made one of the most original speeches ever heard in Lincoln and his many allusions to the democratic and republican parties were well received. The speaker was a member of the national convention of the First, Fourth and Sixth districts will be held in this city tomorrow to select district delegates to the Omaha convention.

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BLAINE'S SUCCESSOR NAMED

General John W. Foster of Indiana Finally Selected.

NOT DICTATED BY POLITICAL MOTIVES

President Harrison Governed Entirely in Making the Appointment by the Gentleman's Merit—Unanimously Confirmed by the Senate.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 29.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—General John W. Foster of Indiana was today nominated to the senate as secretary of state by the president and was unanimously confirmed. This important action was anticipated in these dispatches last night. On account of the absurd stories which have been published in democratic newspapers of alleged disagreements between Mr. Blaine and Mr. Foster in the Canadian negotiations the nomination of Mr. Foster was at once followed by rumors that the friends of Mr. Blaine in the senate would oppose his confirmation. This rumor, which was only another device of the democrats to encourage the false statements about dissension in the republican ranks and among republican leaders, met a prompt death by the immediate and unanimous confirmation of Mr. Foster.

It is well understood that Mr. Foster's tenure of the office of secretary of state will terminate on March 4 next, when President Harrison will again be inaugurated and when he will announce his new cabinet.

Mr. Foster's Position. The appointment of Mr. Foster is therefore only a temporary one, designed to bridge over the interval between the resignation of Secretary Blaine and the beginning of the second term of this administration. The appointment of Mr. Foster, although temporary, is especially desirable, not only on account of the personal character and diplomatic accomplishments of the appointee, but also because of his peculiarly intimate acquaintance with the business of the State department in general and especially with the details of the most important question now pending in the State department, the Bering sea controversy with England by arbitration.

The residence of General Foster had no part in his selection. He is not appointed because he happens to be a citizen of the president's own state, his merits alone recommending him to the place, and surprising as it may seem to some, the fact that the statement is absolutely true that his appointment was not dictated by political motives.

Ex-Chairman J. S. Clarkson of Iowa will accept a position upon the executive committee of the republican national committee and will be in charge of the republican cause until November. When President Harrison on Monday told Mr. Clarkson that he had been appointed to the position of chairman of the national committee he expressed the utmost confidence in his ability to carry out the personal regard for the retiring chairman. Mr. Clarkson would have a position that would place him in close communication with the candidate and call out all his best efforts for the republican cause.

Mr. Clarkson further stated that there was nothing personal between them so far as he himself was concerned. He said that he would continue to be, as they had for years, the best of friends.

Will Work in New York. Mr. Clarkson, it is understood, will be located in New York, and while Chairman Clarkson will be in charge of the republican cause in the city, Mr. Clarkson will be in charge of the republican cause in the city.

There was some doubt last night whether the national committee would accept the resignation of the national committee, but it was finally decided that the national committee would accept the resignation of the national committee.

Declines to Concur in the Report. The house declined to concur in the senate amendments to the agreement with the Indian appropriation bill (strike out by senate), prohibiting the use of money appropriated for the purchase of land for the Indian army supplies over any bonded lines controlled or operated by the Union Pacific or Northern Pacific systems. Agreed to by a vote of 195 to 88.

Conference report on the Indian appropriation bill was submitted. It appropriates \$7,000,000 for the fiscal year 1893, and is reported by the house, McMillin of Tennessee argued in favor of the rejection of the report, saying that democrats must take a stand in favor of reform.

The report was agreed to without discussion, and the bill was again sent into conference.

An attempt to bring up the thirteenth bill was met by the republicans with filibustering motions, and the house then adjourned.

INFLUENCE CLUBS. New York Democratic Women Organize to Assist Their Party.

New York, June 29.—"The woman did it in 1891," said ex-speaker Reed. The women will do it again in 1892. With these words the first women's democratic campaign club was born this afternoon. The speaker was Mrs. Mary Freston O'Connell, president of the club, who had just returned from New York.

The following letter was sent to Mrs. O'Connell: Mrs. O'Connell—Dear Madam: It gives me much pleasure as representative of that great body of democratic sympathizers to inform you that the women's democratic campaign club has just been formed by the women, wives, sisters and daughters of democratic men, and that it is the duty of every woman to join the club, and to do so as soon as possible.

Political Pointers. The David B. Hill club of New York City has ratified the democratic national ticket. The republicans of the Seventh New York district have nominated J. A. Hill for congress.

The democratic members of the United States senate have met in conference for the purpose of considering the order of business for the session. The order of business was as follows: Monday, June 29, 1892, Second district, Mrs. Ellen H. Cook of Davenport; Third district, Mrs. Mary B. Hancock of Dubuque; Fourth district, Mrs. N. G. Hodges of Chicago; Fifth district, Mrs. O. E. Miller of Cedar Rapids; Sixth district, Mrs. Flora J. McArthur of Bloomfield; Seventh district, Mrs. F. C. Clark of Iowa; Eighth district, Mrs. I. F. Hendricks of Council Bluffs; Ninth district, Mrs. John F. Dancombe of Des Moines; Tenth district, Mrs. Jennie E. Rogers of Sioux City.

HELD UP AND KILLED. Cedar Rapids, Ia., June 29.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Tom Brody of Independence was held up in the Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Northern railway yards in this city at a late hour last night and robbed of \$25 in cash and nearly all of his clothes. The robber escaped.

Run Down a Young Girl. Cedar Rapids, Ia., June 29.—(Special Telegram to The Bee.)—Lulu Stetson, a 12-year-old girl, was run down by a freight train while crossing a long bridge near Marion this morning and instantly killed.

CRESCO WILL FIGHT

Venezuela's Insurgent Chief Declares Emphatically for the Constitution.

REFUSES PEACE ON ANY OTHER TERMS

Palacio's Friends Given Notice to Prepare for the Worst.

REBEL FORCES ADVANCING ON CARACAS

All Efforts of the Dictator's Heirs to Compromise Fail.

DR. PAUL IS NOT ANXIOUS TO INTERFERE

He Declines to Return to the Republic Unless Previously Assured of the Friendship of the Victorious General.

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[Caracas, (Via Galveston, Tex.), June 29.—] [By Mexican Cable to the New York Herald—Special to The Bee.]—News from Caracas states that General Crespo is closing in on the city and President Villagas, who succeeded Palacio after his resignation and flight, must capitulate or fight. General Crespo and his army are encamped only four leagues back of the national capital. General Mendosa with a large force of government troops has moved forward to stop the progress of the Crespistas and will be reinforced as fast as the men can be sent to his relief. Caracas is being fortified and heavy batteries are being erected at all advantageous points.

General Menegaz is in command of the city garrison. He has 7,000 troops under him and 3,000 troops will be moved into the city from La Guayra. This is the exciting and sensational news which reached me from Caracas today. The peace which was expected after the resignation and flight of General Villagas, and the flight of General Crespo, according to the news that reaches me, is determined not to surrender without a tremendous effort to overturn every act of Palacio and his successor and secure the election of a new president.

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