

WORK OF THE LEGISLATURE

Thurston Gets the Republican Vote Solid on the Joint Ballot.

MARSH ELDER MAKES SOME REMARKS

Middle-of-the-Road Populists Won't Vote for Greene—Little Work in the Senate and House.

IN THE HOUSE.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 2.—[Special Telegram to THE BEAR.]—The announcement that the republicans had agreed on a caucus nominee was sufficient to pack the hall of representatives at the joint convention and a surging throng occupied every foot of available space and extended far back of the entrance door in the corridor, while hundreds who were unable to get in or out stood patiently on the gallery stairs, waiting to hear the result of the ballot.

When Elder's name was called, he rose and stated that he desired to make a few remarks to the body at this time, and the lieutenant governor replied that he could speak if it was in the way of explaining his vote.

Marsh Elder's Explanation. Elder said he had always tried to do what was right and had been voting right along for such measures as he believed to be in the interest of the people of Clay county. He had been charged by the public press with being derelict in his duty, but he could stand that, knowing the party of his own motives. He wanted to call upon his fellow independents to show unanimity of sentiment and action and hoped they would work together as solidly as the opposition seemed to be doing. He wound up his peroration with his slogan of two years ago, "Stay by 'er boys," and recorded his vote for Greene.

Subsequent developments showed that his collaborators were not disposed to "stay by 'er," as long as she was known as W. L. Greene.

Today's joint ballot was the fourteenth, and was as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Votes. Thurston 61, Elder 20, Greene 17, etc.

Democrat and Independent Changes.

Republicans voted solidly for Thurston. The following were the changes among the democrats and independents:

Babcock, from Ireland to Boyd; Dale, from Root to Jones; Dycar, from Root to Jones; Farnsworth, from Root to Jones; Johnson, from Root to Greene; Johnson of Hall, from Thompson to Greene; Kruse, from Root to Allen; Larkins, from Boyd to Thompson; Mullen, from Allen to Greene; North, from Morton to Boyd; Soderman, from Root to Greene; Withnell, from Ireland to Boyd.

Babcock voted for Elder, Morton, and North for Ireland, but after the call was concluded changed to Boyd. Farnsworth likewise voted for Powers, as on yesterday, but changed to Greene before the announcement of the result. The same was true of Soderman, who voted for Edgerton, but swung to Greene when it was certain that Greene could not be elected. Morton and North were in the same category, voting on call for Judge Allen, but swinging later to the populist nominee.

Fulton created something of a sensation in voting for Kagan, whose name is John M. He deliberately announced the first part of the name and failed to mention some of his fellow populists, who thought for an instant that he had deserted. They heaved a sigh of relief when the vote was declared for Kagan.

Watson moved to adjourn and it was quickly declared carried by the chair.

Had Reasoned with Elder. It is stated that Elder's speech was the direct result of a lively meeting at the Lindell last evening, when a self-constituted committee of independents hauled some of their fellow populists over the coals for alleged recent conduct.

The individuals who was thus rounded up. He was charged with conspiracy to sell out the party, and when he refused to deny it, he was directly charged with being a traitor. He again entered a denial, and was then informed that the committee had decided to give him a public airing. He was then informed that the committee had decided to give him a public airing.

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Shocking Accident Occurred at Vicksburg Yesterday Afternoon.

THREE MEN WERE INSTANTLY KILLED

Victims Blown to Pieces by the Force of the Explosion—Six Others Probably Fatally Injured—Details of the Accident.

LOOTED THE INSTITUTION.

First National Bank of Little Rock, Ark., Is Troubled. LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 2.—The First National bank of Little Rock, whose recent troubles were supposed to be ended, did not open its doors today. Colonel Logan P. Prosser, who in 1889 sold the controlling interest to M. G. Allen, the president of the bank at the time of its suspension, and who was recently elected to the presidency, made a statement last night of the bank's condition. He said that he found that President Allen and his friends had previously taken more than \$470,000 of the bank's money, for which there was little or no security. Already they had turned up \$1,000,000 of paper on the bank's books, signed by President Allen or Cashier Denny. How much more of this unsecured, fraudulent paper, for which the bank never received one cent of benefit, is still out, President Prosser says there is no way of ascertaining. In view of this uncertainty, he says, it is not practicable to resume so far as the bank is concerned. He says that he has learned Allen's liability to the bank is over \$700,000. President Prosser says payments of considerable of this paper can be successfully raised and the depositors paid dollar for dollar. The deposits are very small.

ATHLETIC CLUB ECONOMIZING. NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—Receiver Andrew Freedman has commenced to economize at the Manhattan Athletic club. For the present the services of Prof. Dominick McCaffrey have been discontinued, and also those of Trainer Jim Robinson, as being more expensive than necessary. Everybody who patronizes the grill room or bar now has to pay cash, and only a small help to keep the house open has been retained. Mr. Freedman is hopeful of pulling the club through.

EL Mahdi Dies at Syracuse. SYRACUSE, N. Y., Feb. 2.—El Mahdi, 22½, died night before last. He was purchased three years ago by Harvey A. Moyer in Kentucky for \$12,000. Recently Mr. Moyer received an offer of \$45,000 for him. El Mahdi was stabled by Onward, 2254. His dam was Lady Bunker. He sired Futano, 2234, as a 3-year-old, and El Flora, 2184, as a 4-year-old.

Alcohol Refineries Consolidate. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Feb. 2.—The Bureco Chemical company of this city today merged into the Manhattan Spirit company of New York. The Manhattan company will handle the refineries of wood alcohol in the state.

LOCAL REVIEWS. Ed J. Goss and Miss Maggie O'Brien were married by Rev. W. A. Ambrose, pastor of the Methodist church on Wednesday.

Merriam Welch was fined \$5 for slapping J. H. McCabe in the face. The men had some over furs left with Welch to be repaired.

According to the opinion of Superintendent Hunt of the water company the city can order the intermediate hydrants located at any time.

The family of Councilman Sol Prince suffered another bereavement yesterday afternoon, when their 9-month-old son, Sidney, died from an acute attack of croup. The funeral will occur at half past 2 o'clock this afternoon.

A warrant was sworn out yesterday by P. T. Tierney against Frank Ray, whom he charges with having fired a two-story frame house, located at 509 South Sixth street, owned by P. E. Her and occupied by Ray. The fire was extinguished without any loss.

ASHLAND NEWS. ASHLAND, Neb., Feb. 2.—[Special to THE BEAR.]—The suit of Jordan Stevens against Swift & Co. for money which he claims is due him was yesterday decided in favor of the defendant.

A scribble was given by the young people of the Congregational church in the church Tuesday night.

SENTENCED TO THE PENITENTIARY. FREMONT, Neb., Feb. 2.—[Special to THE BEAR.]—Franklin N. Dvorak was brought into district court this morning and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary by Judge Kirkland for obtaining money under false pretenses. The jury was then excused until next Saturday.

NEBRASKA MORTGAGE RECORD. FREMONT, Neb., Feb. 2.—[Special to THE BEAR.]—The following is the mortgage record of Dodge county for January: Farm mortgages filed, \$40,129.28; released, \$24,181.99; city mortgages filed, \$22,161.15; released, \$27,449.45; chattel mortgages filed, \$31,508.61; released, \$3,188.80.

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