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LAST NIGHT IN CAMP

First Nebraska Prepares to Forswear Tent in Favor of Houses.

CAMPY STREET PILED HIGH WITH BOXES

Camp Thronged with Peddlers Making Final Pleas for Their Wares.

VOLUNTEERS ARE PROVIDENT WITH FUNDS

Company L Takes Another Trolley Excursion Across the Bay.

OUTING FOLLOWED BY INFORMAL RECEPTION

Tenth Pennsylvania Serenades Their Command and People of San Francisco Show Their Accustomed Hospitality.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—The members of the First Nebraska are jubilant over the news that a special train will be furnished them. Rumor after rumor has been traveling through the camp in regard to the homeward journey of the regiment and it keeps the boys surmising which is the most correct one. At first it was announced that the mustering-out of the regiment was delayed until August 26, and later that it would be mustered out a day earlier, with the Pennsylvanians, and that the two regiments could go into Omaha together. The latest source of speculation among the boys is whether the regiment goes to Omaha or Lincoln. Yesterday several of the companies took a vote on the question, the result being in favor of Omaha by a large majority.

The telegram received from J. E. Baum of Omaha, stating that Omaha would be open to the Fighting First, including the expedition and the midway, was received with much enthusiasm by the boys to spend their final money. Everything from a collar button to a house and lot are offered for sale, but the fellows are not having very good success with their wares among the Nebraskans. The boys say they prefer to spend their money in Nebraska among their home merchants than in Omaha. A majority of the regiment has already engaged rooms in the city for the two remaining nights in San Francisco. Company L will make its headquarters at the Winchester hotel, where most of the company has already engaged rooms.

Excursion of Company L.

Yesterday Company L, through an invitation of Cadet Taylor, took another delightful excursion on trolley cars through Oakland, Berkeley, Loran and Alameda. John McElwain, a former-Omaha man, now a resident of Oakland, chaperoned the party and all the points of interest were visited under his guidance.

In the evening the company and its young women friends held an old-fashioned social in the company dining room. Several songs and recitations were rendered by members of the company and its guests. The party was an informal one and everyone had an enjoyable time. Later in the evening refreshments were served.

The Orpheum has kindly invited Company L to its theater tomorrow night. The company has accepted and will attend in a grand manner.

The First Nebraska was serenaded by the Tenth Pennsylvania, which was mustered out today. Each serenade secured an old tin pan, box or anything he could make a noise with and joined in the procession, which halted at each company tent of the Nebraskans and gave three cheers with a hearty good will.

Lieutenant Colonel Frank Eager, who was included in Governor Poynter's recommendations for a commission in the regular army, has positively declined the honor bestowed upon him by the governor and very emphatically says he has no intention of seeking further experience in military life, and, furthermore, Colonel Eager says he is not able to perform the duties, as the gunshot wound he received before Calumet has left a permanent injury to his foot. He gives as his reason for refusing honors in the political and military fields that his business in Lincoln needs his entire attention and that he also desires to leave the appointments open to those who are more desirous of them.

By a telegram just received it appears to be the wish of Governor Poynter to hold the regiment here until Saturday morning. This is going to bring an unwarranted expense on the boys. After tomorrow noon the men must look out for themselves and to pay unnecessary hotel bills is a burden.

The boys are all anxious to get home as soon as possible and it is the general preference of the entire regiment that we leave here Thursday night or Friday morning. The railroad is assuring us it can have a train ready at that time.

CONTRIBUTIONS COMING IN

Money for Transporting the First Nebraska Still Flows into Governor's Office.

LINCOLN, Aug. 22.—(Special Telegram.)—Several more subscriptions to the First Nebraska transportation fund were received at the capitol today, amounting in all to about \$2,600. It has not been decided what disposition to make of the unused portion of the fund, but Governor Poynter said today that he thought the money last received would be returned.

The following dispatch was received at the governor's office this afternoon:

W. A. Poynter, Governor, Lincoln, Neb.—"Mustier-out takes effect tomorrow. Make arrangements for train soon or boys will scatter."

MILFORD, Colo., Aug. 22.—"Governor Poynter was in Omaha this afternoon and the message has been forwarded to him there. It is hardly probable that the railroad can provide for transporting the regiment before Saturday morning."

Mulford Assigned to Fort Crook.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 22.—The following officers have been assigned to regiments under the second call for volunteers:

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FUSION NOMINEE FOR SUPREME JUDGE.

Three Nominations for Supreme Judge Are Handed to Him.

PROMISES NOT TO USE A RAILROAD PASS

Allen and Bryan Are Directors of the Three-Ring Circus.

FUSION IS WORKED FOR ALL IT IS WORTH

Mix-Up of Democracy, Populism and Free Silver Republicanism.

J. L. TEETERS IS NOMINATED FOR REGENT

Democrats Endorse Chicago Platform, Oppose Administration's Philippine Policy, Denounce Trusts, Shout Bryan and Free Silver.

FUSION STATE TICKET.

SILAS A. HOLCOMB, Populist, of Douglas county.

J. L. TEETERS, Democrat, of Douglas county.

EDSON RICH, Silver Republican, of Lancaster county.

The fusionists completed the work of their three conventions before 12 o'clock last night by the nomination of Silas A. Holcomb for supreme judge, and J. L. Teeters of Lancaster and Edson Rich of Douglas as regents of the state university. One ballot of the convention was sufficient for the nomination of Holcomb, while the selection of Teeters by the silver republicans and Rich by the democrats each met with quick endorsement at the hands of the other parties. The conventions were held in three separate halls, in easy reach of each other and carefully controlled by one set of managers. The usual platforms were adopted, and strong anti-pass resolutions were accepted which all but conditioned the fusion officials for their lavish use of corporation favors in the past.

The fusionists made some headway in getting ready for their three conventions during the forenoon, and when the time came for calling to order in the afternoon it was apparent that the pleading of Bryan, Allen and other leaders for harmony had not been in vain. Many of the delegates who had been bitterly opposing the nomination of Holcomb had been whipped into line, while others had been induced to go home. This move toward harmony was not entirely successful, and there were many groans of discontent, which the whippers-in industriously sought to subdue.

In order to keep down the threatened fuss arrangements were made to rush the business through at critical times. To prevent debate and wrangles it was provided that the resolutions should be referred to the committees.

The longest delay was made by the committee on resolutions of the populist convention. There was an intention to endorse the present state administration, but many of the members wanted to avoid an endorsement of Auditor Cornell. This produced a complication that was both interesting and embarrassing.

There was also a decided move against any endorsement of Governor Poynter, and committees from Douglas, Cass, Osage, Dawes and other counties waited on the platform committee to protest against any such endorsement. Their opposition to the governor was because of his objectionable appointments.

The move to gag the populist convention and prevent the threatened anti-pass resolutions from getting in was defeated in a novel manner. The silver republicans adopted a strong anti-pass resolution and sent it to the populists as a report. When it was received and read there was an effort to have it referred, but a vote on it was forced and the report was adopted. This was very far from an endorsement of the present state officials, but the anti-pass storm was much milder than had been expected.

During the day and night the fusion leaders and officeholders closely guarded the conventions, all in the interests of Silas A. Holcomb, and the result of their work was seen in the first votes cast by the conventions.

The determination to nominate Holcomb was so unsatisfactory, however, that many of those who had consistently opposed him from the beginning went home late in the afternoon. Among these was one of the most prominent democrats of Lancaster county, who declared that he could not remain in the convention, and was a committee man to nominate a man whom he could not support for the election.

Among those most deeply disappointed at the outcome of the conventions was Edgar Howard of Papillion, who announced that he was sick of the whole business. A little later he announced that he was coming back, offered to condole with Howard straightened up and said: "Don't come around condoling me. Haven't I got Slippery Si? It isn't me that needs condoling."

The Silver Republicans.

Last night when the report came to the silver republican convention that William Jennings Bryan was delivering an address before the democratic convention and an exuberant delegate moved that, in view of the fact that the silver republicans were presumed to represent a portion of the fusion strength, Mr. Bryan be invited to come over and address the convention, the situation was correctly sized up by J. N. Lyman, chairman of the committee, who said: "Gentlemen, I would be glad to have Mr. Bryan deliver an address before our convention, but I would be ashamed for him to come here and see what a small crowd we have." And Mr. Lyman was right. The silver republican convention was really a farce, and it was hardly entitled to be called a state convention. Not one-third of the counties in the state were represented and at no time were there more than 100 delegates in the hall. Forty-four of these, it should be remembered, too, were accredited to Douglas county.

Governor Poynter's nomination was carried through the convention with a rush. There was some opposition, headed by the Douglas county delegation, and Charles Wooster, the "long-distance" talker from Merrick county, but the principal aim of the handful of silver republicans was to be able to jump whichever way the other two called the convention went. With this end in view the first formal ballot was postponed until assurance came that the democrats would endorse Holcomb and after the populists had already selected him.

There was no mistaking the sentiment of the convention regarding the fusion question, as was shown by the unanimous action in favor of the candidate selected pleading themselves in advance not to be guilty of even looking covetously upon the little bits of postboard entitling them to free passage on the railroad.

The Democrats.

Long before the convention was called on the supreme judgeship it was evident that an

FILLED WITH GUNCOTTON

Two Infernal Machines Received by M. Labori at Rennes Examined by the Police.

RENNES, Aug. 22.—M. Labori last evening received two mysterious parcels, believed to be infernal machines. The police are examining them.

The infernal machines were repositied in the artillery powder magazine. One is a cylindrical tube-shaped box four inches high and one and three-quarter inches in diameter. The other is a parcel four inches long and one and three-quarter inches high.

PARIS, Aug. 22.—The Rennes correspondent of a Paris newspaper telegraphs that the infernal machines sent to M. Labori have been opened in the military laboratory at that place and have been found to be filled with guncotton.

PROCLAIMS MARTIAL LAW

Dutch Burgers at Hylversum, Near Amsterdam, Get Hot and Overpower the Police.

AMSTERDAM, Aug. 22.—Martial law has been proclaimed at Hylversum, fifteen miles from here. Troops today are occupying the town.

A mob yesterday evening, ignorant of the suppression of a local fair, overpowered the police, paralyzed the streets, destroyed property and attacked the burgomaster's house. On account of the general feeling of unrest the disturbances are regarded as serious.

Mr. Reed's letter was as follows:

PORTLAND, Me.—To the Governor of Maine, August 21: I hereby resign the position of member of congress from the First district of Maine, to take effect on September 4. Very truly yours,

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REED'S RESIGNATION IS IN

Speaker of the House Files Formal Notice with Governor Powers of Maine Today.

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