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ALL ARE FOR HIGGINS

New York Republicans Nominate Him for Governor by Acclamation.

WOODRUFF WITHDRAWS FROM CONTEST

Kings County Man Refuses to Allow His Name to Be Considered.

TICKET IS COMPLETED IN FEW MINUTES

Persistent Attempts to Draw the President Into the Contest Signally Fail.

RESOLUTIONS ARE SHORT AND TERSE

State and National Issues Are Stated in Document, Which is Notable for Clearness and Brevity.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 15.—The republican state convention adjourned at 2:30 today, after nominating unanimously the ticket for state officers, forecasted last night by the Associated Press as follows: For Governor—Frank W. Higgins of Cattaraugus.

Woodruff Withdraws. The action of the convention in the nomination of Lieutenant Governor Frank W. Higgins for the governorship was made possible by the withdrawal of former Lieutenant Governor Woodruff at the very last moment, as the convention was preparing for the roll call, caused by the resolution of the Kings county delegation. It was only when, as he himself said, it became "obvious to his practiced ear" that the convention was almost solidly against him, after his name had been placed on the ticket in a speech by Mr. A. Frendgenard of Brooklyn, in which the management of the Higgins campaign was bitterly attacked, that Mr. Woodruff took the platform, withdrew his name from further consideration, moved that the nomination of Lieutenant Governor Higgins be made unanimous and pledged the fullest effort of himself and his Kings county forces in aid of the ticket about to be nominated. There was no contest whatever on any other place upon the ticket.

Platt and Woodruff Confer. A protracted conference was held early in the day between Mr. Platt and Mr. Woodruff and his immediate counselors in the Platt quarters. At its close Senator Platt refused to be interviewed and Mr. Woodruff said:

"There is no change in the situation. My name will be presented to the convention." Immediately after Mr. Woodruff had left Senator Platt, Governor Odell called upon the senator. Later he said his call was simply friendly and that he was not in any way connected with the convention. Mr. Woodruff would go into the presence of Governor Odell as he could. In the convention the Woodruff faction was exceedingly enthusiastic and insistent. But the only thing approaching a show of strength was when his name was placed in nomination. But the great majority of the convention sat silent through the demonstration. There was no slight anywhere in the proceedings to Senator Platt, save in the refusal of the convention to accede to his declared wish for re-nomination.

Platform Adopted. When the convention had decided to order State Senator George E. Almy as permanent chairman, his speech was chiefly devoted to a review of the republican administration for the last ten years. The chairman called for the report of the committee on resolutions and the platform was presented and adopted without discussion.

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We endorse the platform of the republican party as set forth in the resolutions of the convention held at Saratoga, N. Y., in June last, all its declarations, particularly those in favor of the maintenance of the gold standard and protection to American workmen and the industries by which they thrive.

We appeal for support to the common sense of those who do not believe in change for the sake of making a change and who are willing to "let well enough alone," to those who believe in the kind of protection the republican party has always stood for and not in the kind with which the democratic party, with its trade protection, is trying to delude industrial workers.

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National as well as state politics are involved in the outcome of our state election and we commend to every citizen the faithful performance of his patriotic duty.

CANNON BEGINS HIS CAMPAIGN

Speaker of the House Addresses a Large Audience at South Bend, Indiana.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Sept. 15.—At the Auditorium theater in this city tonight, Speaker Cannon of the national house of representatives began a campaign which will last from this time until election day. The large theater was filled to its utmost capacity and the speaker was received with enthusiastic cheers.

Mr. Cannon discussed at length the various issues of the campaign, but gave his special attention to the tariff and the trusts, contending with reference to the former that the republican policy of protection is the only sure safeguard of American interests, and concerning the latter that the opposition to protection is a mistaken index of the attitude of the republican party. In connection with his discussion of the republican policy of protection Mr. Cannon spoke of Judge Parker's speech of acceptance, saying:

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PARKER CONFERS WITH LEADERS

Humor that Jerome Has Been Offered Nomination for State Ticket.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15.—Judge Parker today conferred with more than a score of prominent party leaders who called on him at his apartments at the Hotel Astor. Important matters relating to the campaign for the republican nomination for governor were discussed.

One of the interesting features of Judge Parker's day was his talk with former Senator David B. Hill, which has been connected with a call of the senator upon District Attorney Jerome. It was reported that Mr. Hill tendered the governorship nomination to Mr. Jerome. That story is now denied and information from a reliable source is to the effect that Mr. Jerome was offered any place on the state ticket except the nomination for governor.

The talk concerning the mention of Mr. Jerome for governor was the subject of intense interest. Opponents of Mr. Jerome are said to have taken alarm because of the appearance of unusual activity on the part of the leaders. Those who were so fortunate as to get an audience with Judge Parker were not disappointed. He held an entire meeting and outlined the report to be submitted to the president recommending changes found necessary in various public land laws.

MONTANA DEMOCRATS MEET

Demand Election of United States Senators by Popular Vote.

HELENA, Mont., Sept. 15.—The credentials of the democratic state convention, now in session here, decided today, by a vote of 13 to 12, to recommend the unseating of the so-called "regulars" (the Clark delegation), and also to deny seats to the contesting delegates from Butte. This report created sensation when the convention reassembled, and brought out a stormy debate. The supporters of the regulars said they would control the convention.

SOUTH DAKOTA POPULIST TICKET

Nominate Electors and Full List of State Officers.

YANKTON, S. D., Sept. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—The populist state convention was called to order in Yankton last night. George H. Steele of Hand county was elected permanent chairman and W. S. Metcalf of Moody county permanent secretary. The following nominations were presented: Governor, John M. Peck; lieutenant governor, Philip Remph; Yankton county, N. L. Crowley; Hand county, Sherman Wilcox, Mead county.

The following state ticket was named: Governor, J. McCain; lieutenant governor, Kingsbury; governor, R. C. Wain; lieutenant governor, W. J. Dean; Douglas, secretary of state, Benedict Miller; Moody, state auditor, Charlie Lowe, Mead, state treasurer, Hance Murphy, Minnehaha, attorney general, T. H. Null; Bendle, commissioner of school and public lands, J. E. Canty; Yankton; superintendent of public instruction, Allie Reed; Mead; railroad commissioner, C. D. Saunders, Butte.

WISCONSIN REPUBLICANS LOYAL

Many of LaFollette's Followers Send a Letter to Cortelyou.

MILWAUKEE, Sept. 15.—Pledging themselves to abide by the decision of the republican national committee, unless it is reversed by the supreme court, 147 of Governor LaFollette's prominent followers have signed a letter, which they have sent to the secretary of the republican party, declaring that all questions affecting the unity and regularity of the party must necessarily be submitted to the highest political tribunal for settlement and that such settlement will be accepted by all good republicans unless it can be found at variance with the decision of the courts.

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LAND DRAWINGS ALL OVER

Commissioner Richards Returns from Superintending Them.

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Department of Justice Making an Effort to Stop the Sale of Liquor to the Indians on Reservation.

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Land Commissioner Making Report.

The Public Lands commission, consisting of Land Commissioner Richards, Gifford Pinchot and F. H. Newell, will hold an early meeting and outline the report to be submitted to the president recommending changes found necessary in various public land laws.

Members of the commission have spent the summer in the west observing the operations of law, and will soon be supplied with reports from their field representatives pointing out weaknesses of the present laws. After going over all the data collected, the commission will draft its report and submit it to the president in time to permit him to incorporate their recommendations in his annual message to congress.

The commission may not be able to make this its final report, but will make it as comprehensive as possible, and will point out most needed changes in the land statutes, including the necessity for modifying if not repealing the lien land law.

President Roosevelt is depending upon his commission for a strong report, and indications are that he will show some instances the commission will show the weak spots of present laws, may not recommend any definite remedy, but submit various plans for the consideration of congress. The probability is that there will be no important changes in the law, as it is the short season, and there is considerable opposition to changing existing laws, especially the lien laws. This will not deter the president from dealing with land reform in a forceful manner in his forthcoming message, but will hinder him from using his best efforts to force through such legislation as the commission deems important.

Special Agent to Winnebago.

The Department of Justice has detailed a special agent to visit the towns surrounding the Winnebago Indian reservation, where it has been reported that liquor is being sold illegally to the Indians. Several citizens of Homer and other nearby cities in Nebraska have laid before the interior department statements which seem to indicate that the reservation is being used as a base for the sale of liquor. The department is being urged to take prompt action to stop this traffic in whisky to the reservation, and the assistance of the Department of Justice, and this has been done.

Lands Open to Settlement.

Land officials at Buffalo, Wyo., were today instructed by the general land office to restore to homestead and other public entry some 11,920 acres of land which had been temporarily withdrawn with a view of determining whether the withdrawal should be permanent in order to further certain irrigation projects. The lands thus restored to entry lie in the south half of township 56, north; range, 7, west.

Miss Wilson Goes to Europe.

Miss Flora Wilson, daughter of the secretary of agriculture, and Miss Evelyn Walsh, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Walsh, will sail on September 20 for Europe and spend the coming winter in Europe. Miss Wilson, who has been at the head of her father's household for thirteen years, has never been as long separated from her home as on this trip. She is accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Thomas Walsh, and her sister, Miss Evelyn Walsh. The secretary of agriculture has expressed his regret at the loss of her company for such a length of time.

Iowa Postmaster Named.

Iowa postmasters appointed: Brushy, Webster county, N. C. Olsen, view W. A. Martin, resigned, Coalfield, Monroe county, Carl C. Struble, view F. F. Jones, resigned.

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NEBRASKA WEATHER FORECAST

Fair Friday and Cooler in Southwest Portion, Saturday Fair.

Table with columns: Hour, Temperature, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows show temperatures for various hours from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m.

SUMMARY OF WAR SITUATION

No More Fighting Expected at Mukden Soon—Conflict Probable at Port Arthur.

There has been no renewal of fighting since the retreat of the Russian army under General Kourapatkin to Mukden. Conditions there, both within the Japanese and the Russian lines, indicate that a month may elapse before the great armies in central Manchuria again enter upon a general engagement.

At St. Petersburg the expectation is that the next conflict of moment will occur at Port Arthur, where there has been a respite from heavy fighting for several weeks. The spirit of the Russian troops at Mukden, which was greatly depressed and bordered upon panic following the reverse at Liao Yang, has been restored and business in the city is reported to be recovering.

RAILROAD BUILDING IN COREA

Japanese Government Plans a Network of Lines.

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The construction of the railway connecting Fuman with Masampo was commenced a week ago under Japanese military engineers. This Corea is rapidly being covered with a network of Japanese government owned railways, which are destined to play an important part in Japan's claims for the control of Corea subsequent to peace negotiations.

For the last week parties of Cororean officials have been pursuing the ancient custom of kneeling before the palace gates, praying the acceptance of a memorial to the throne petitioning the emperor to adopt a strong anti-Japanese policy. The Japanese authorities, in accordance with the policy of denying the right of free speech to Cororeans, have repeatedly arrested the petitioners, but subsequently released them, whereupon they again kneel at the palace gates. In the meantime the emperor, fearing Japanese wrath, declines to accept the memorial.

TRAINMEN THREATEN STRIKE

Employees of Fort Wayne System Are Taking Vote on the Question.

PITTSBURGH, Sept. 15.—A strike is threatened on the Fort Wayne system and its branches of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen are now taking a vote on the strike proposition and the result will be announced next Monday. It is understood that the Pennsylvania will not accept the new wage scale because of its provisions the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, with an agreement with the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, thus recognizing the union. The wages asked under the schedule are what is known as "Chicago pay," which is higher than the wages paid on railroads in the east.

JEWEL THIEF UNDER ARREST

Man Wanted in New York Found in a Hospital at Marion, Indiana.

MARION, Ind., Sept. 15.—William J. Devy, a detective of the New York police department, came here today in search of a man named William J. Valentine, alias William Start, who is wanted on a charge of having robbed New York people of \$300,000 worth of jewelry. He was found in a local hospital and acknowledged he was the fugitive and said the jewelry is hidden in Albany, N. Y., Chicago and St. Louis. The alleged thief was committed to the night of July 4, 1904. McKintie is only 23 years old, but he has served three terms in New York and New Jersey prisons on charges of diamond robbery.

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