

ILLINOIS FOR BRYAN

State Democracy Instructs Its Delegates for Nebraskan.

HIS FRIENDS NOT SATISFIED

Attempt to Secure Stronger Worded Plank Fails.

SULLIVAN IN FULL CONTROL

Chicago Boss Dominated Convention in Its Every Move.

FIGHT OVER THE LIQUOR PLANK

Majority of Committee for Greatest Possible Personal Liberty, While Minority Wished Subject Omitted Altogether.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 23.—The Illinois democracy today adopted the unit rule and instructed its delegates to the national convention at Denver to vote for W. J. Bryan, and "to use all honorable means" to secure his nomination.

After a hot fight in the resolutions committee, which was carried into the convention, the party adopted a platform plank favoring the "greatest possible personal liberty" to individuals, provided such liberty did not infringe upon the rights of other people.

Instead of naming the usual four delegates and alternates at large to the national convention, it was decided to send eight, allowing each man one-half of a vote. Two presidential electors at large were also chosen.

The resolution endorsing Mr. Bryan was adopted with enthusiasm and a flattering demonstration followed the action.

Bryan's friend turned down. For all that, however, it was not worded entirely to the satisfaction of Mr. Bryan's most zealous supporters and in the last few minutes of the convention Judge Owen P. Thompson of Jacksonville, declaring that Bryan had been "sold out" demanded that a stronger resolution be passed. He desired to have the instructions so worded that Illinois would be bound to support Bryan as long as his name was before the convention.

Light over personal liberty. The fight over the "personal liberty" or liquor plank of the platform was long and hot. It delayed the convention nearly two hours and then a minority of seven presented a report urging that the plank be entirely omitted. Nineteen members of the committee favored it and the convention sustained them by a vote of 69 to 68.

Wires carry many protests. Wood pulp tariff relief burden of demand of publishers of United States.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—All members of the house today received telegrams from the publishers attending the annual meeting in New York of the Associated Press and the Newspaper Publishers association, urging action on the bill removing the tariff on print paper and wood pulp.

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SUMMARY OF THE BEE

Friday, April 24, 1908.

Table with columns for date and numbers (1-31). Includes a small graphic of a bee.

THE WEATHER. AMA, COUNCIL BLUFFS AND NEBRASKA—Friday, fair and cool.

DOMESTIC. Four masked men loot a club house at Hot Springs, Ark., and carry away \$19,000.

Democrats of Illinois endorse Bryan and have principal contention personal liberty section of the platform.

Four men in the Ellsworth collision are killed by an explosion.

Head of the Diamond trust in New York says the price of sparklers will be maintained.

"Katy" shophmen have a layoff because of expenditure of appropriation.

More lawlessness exists at Pensacola in spite of federal injunction.

Agent of the Bridge trust of Ohio and nephew of Grover Cleveland is sent to jail.

Milton D. Purdy has been appointed federal judge in District of Minnesota.

Senior at Harvard wins Baldwin prize for essay on municipal government.

W. J. Bryan leaves New York for Nebraska.

New indictment declared against H. H. Tucker, Jr.

Joe Simpson lynched at Skidoo, Cal.

Governor Hughes of New York calls special session of the legislature for May 11.

Telegrams of protest over the exactions of the Paper trust pour in upon the members of congress from publishers.

King Manuel will appear in public for the first time at memorial services for his father.

Societies to aid priests are forming in France.

Lumber dealers of Nebraska lose out in the contention they urged against the state in the prosecution to enjoin them from setting in restraint of trade.

Saturday is registration day in Omaha for electors who want to vote on \$1,000,000 court house bonds and other bond propositions.

Establishment by Prudential Insurance company of fiscal agency in Omaha shows that wind is blowing more money from the east to Nebraska in search of farm and other loans in a solid country.

George D. Mellicke, former assistant secretary of war, moves from Fullerton to Omaha and reports he is to marry wealthy widow in Bogota, Columbia, Central America.

SENATE AMENDS NAVAL BILL

Seven Million Dollars Appropriated to Begin Work on New Ships.

FILES FOR FOUR BATTLESHIPS

Amendment is Offered Late and Debate Upon it is Postponed Until Today—Price of Armor Plate Discussed.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—As the senate was about to conclude consideration of the naval appropriation bill today Senator Files of Washington proposed an amendment increasing from two to four the number of new battleships to be authorized.

A spirited debate occurred on the amendment for the restriction of the purchase of materials for the construction of the battleships, submarine boats, etc., to those of domestic manufacture.

Amendments to remove that restriction from the bill were defeated. Mr. Hale stating that since the investigation of the steel trust some years ago the price of steel armor had been reduced from \$500 and \$600 per ton to \$115 per ton and Mr. Beveridge declared that the United States pays less for its armor plate than any other nation except Japan.

Maryland speaks today on the constitution rights of state and executive encroachment. He insisted that the commerce act of the constitution had been interpreted as applying to the industrial life of the country to a far greater degree than contemplated.

The house amendments to the naval appropriation bill were offered in the senate today by Senator Gore of Ohio and the bill of the construction of a new battleship, submarine boats, etc., authorized by the bill at any shipyard in the world and taking away the restriction in favor of domestic steel.

Mr. Gore had no support in his first motion to permit the building of the ships abroad. Forty-two votes were registered against him.

His second motion was to strike out the provision that all the parts of these ships and the steel material used in them shall be of domestic manufacture.

On motion Mr. Hale the amendment was laid on the table by a vote of 61 to 36.

Mr. Hale also spoke in favor of eliminating the provision requiring materials of domestic manufacture, as he said it was by law force the government to buy of the trust for exorbitant prices.

Mr. Hale said that, as worded, the bill would permit just what the Mississippi senator contended for and the amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. Beveridge insisted that he had reliable figures showing that the United States pays less for its steel plate for battleships than any other nation of the world except Japan.

Mr. Bacon offered an amendment providing that the president or secretary of the navy shall be authorized to purchase any part of the material used aboard in any case where the material of domestic manufacture, in his judgment, cannot be purchased at a reasonable cost, having regard to the cost of manufacture and a reasonable profit.

Mr. Bacon said this amendment practically was the same provision adopted after an extended debate relating to purchase of materials for the Panama canal, and the yeas and nays being called for it was rejected by a vote of 34 to 25.

Replying to a question, Mr. Hale said that the United States was paying 444 per ton for its armor, while Germany paid \$450, France \$500 and England \$525 per ton.

Mr. Hale insisted that the investigation of the steel trust some years ago had brought about a reduction of the price of the armor from \$500 and \$600 to \$115.

On motion of Mr. Hale, the appropriation made by the house of \$1,000,000 toward the construction of eight submarines, torpedos and other small vessels, was adopted.

An amendment appropriating \$500,000 for a "new trunk-in-catchship hoist," proposed by Mr. Hale, was adopted.

An amendment appropriating \$7,000,000 toward the construction, machinery and armament of the vessels in this bill was adopted.

This action was taken without comment, it having been stated yesterday that such a provision would permit a prompt beginning of the construction of the new battleships.

The pay of the enlisted men in the hospital corps of the navy was made the same as that of seamen of corresponding rating by a committee amendment which was adopted.

When the bill had been nearly completed Senator Files of Washington offered an amendment increasing the number of battleships from two to four, asking at the same time that final consideration of the measure be postponed until tomorrow.

SOCIETIES TO AID PRIESTS

Plan of Catholics to Take Over Property Awaits Decision of the Pope.

PARIS, April 23.—The Catholics of France, especially the clergy, are anxiously awaiting a decision from the pope regarding the establishment of mutual aid societies for priests. These societies, it is planned, would not only take over the property belonging to certain pension funds for aged priests, amounting to \$4,000,000, but, in accordance with a recent amendment to the devolution of church property bill, they could accept foundations for masses.

Although no definite decision has been promulgated from Rome it is unofficially reported that the pope, in conversation with certain French priests, has expressed himself as disposed to accept the new arrangement.

MANUEL TO APPEAR ON STREET. King of Portugal Will Show Himself for First Time for Memorial Services.

LISBON, April 23.—A memorial service for the late King Carlos and the crown prince of Portugal will be held April 25 at the Jeronimos convent and will be attended by King Manuel and Dowaquer Queen Amelia.

CONGRESS OF ITALIAN WOMEN. Meeting Under Auspices of Queen to Raise Social Status in Kingdom.

ROME, April 23.—The first national congress of Italian women was opened in this city today. The congress is held under the auspices of Queen Helena, Minister of Education Rava, and Signor Nathan, the mayor of Rome.

BOYCOTT REACHES AUSTRALIA. Japanese Steamer Leaves Sydney Without Any Chinese Passengers or Goods.

SIDNEY, N. S. W., April 23.—The boycott by Chinese of Japanese goods which originated in China as an outcome of the Tatsu Maru incident of last January has reached Sydney and is practically complete here.

MANY HAVE NARROW ESCAPE. Four Are Killed in Explosion in Ellsworth Collieries in Pennsylvania.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 23.—Four men were killed, three seriously injured and 100 narrowly escaped from death today when an explosion occurred in Mine No. 1, of the Ellsworth collieries company at Ellsworth, Pa., Washington county. The dead are foreigners. Their bodies were mangled and badly burned.

LYNCHING AT SKIDOO, CAL. Joe Simpson, Who Killed James Arnold, Meets Death for His Crime.

RHYOLITE, Nev., April 23.—A small band of citizens at Skidoo, a camp in California, fifty-five miles south of here last night overpowered the sheriff's guard in charge of Joe Simpson, the gambler, who shot and killed James Arnold last Sunday, and hanged the prisoner to the telegraph pole to which he was bound last Sunday after he had made an attempt upon the life of Cashier Deane of the Southern California bank at Skidoo.

CLEVELAND ILL. AT LAKEWOOD. Ex-President Forced to Remain at Hotel After Close of the Season.

LAKEWOOD, N. J., April 23.—At 11 o'clock this morning it was learned that ex-President Cleveland, who is suffering from an attack of stomach trouble, was not quite as well as he was yesterday.

NEW TROUBLE BEFORE TUCKER. Federal Grand Jury Returns Another Indictment Against Uncle Sam Oil Man.

TOPEKA, Kan., April 23.—The federal grand jury today returned another indictment against H. H. Tucker, Jr., secretary of the Uncle Sam Oil company, charging him with the use of the mails with intent to defraud. A new bond of \$10,000 was required.

HARVARD MAN TAKES PRIZE. Senior Wins Baldwin Competition for Best Essay on Municipal Government.

PHILADELPHIA, April 23.—The prize of the national municipal league for the best essay on municipal government prepared by students in American educational institutions, and known as the Baldwin prize, has been awarded to A. E. Finanski, senior in Harvard college.

BRIDGE TRUST AGENT TO JAIL. Nephew of Former President Grover Cleveland Comes Under Bar of the Law.

TOLEDO, O., April 23.—William N. Cleveland, nephew of former President Grover Cleveland and member of the firm of Huston & Cleveland of Columbus, was today sentenced as a bridge trust agent by Judge Quinn of Lima, to pay a fine of \$500 and serve five days in jail.

WARREN FOR WOOL MARKET

Senator Will Do All He Can to Further the Plans of Omaha.

GOOD THING FOR ALL CONCERNED

Senators Will Be Expected to Look After Welfare in Public Bill—Norris Reports Favorably.

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, April 23.—(Special Telegram.)—Senator Warren of Wyoming, the largest wool grower in the country, speaking of the establishment of a primary wool market at Omaha, said that the project ought to have been undertaken long ago and that he would lend the movement his enthusiastic support.

SENATE TO CARE FOR BEATRICE. Congressman Hinshaw, realizing that the omnibus public building bill, which it is expected will be reported to the house in the next few days, will carry no appropriation for Beatrice, has begun a campaign with the senators from Nebraska to take care of Beatrice when the bill reaches that body.

ELECTION DAY OF DAUGHTERS. Members of Society Will Be Received at White House—Important Function.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—This was the most important day of the continental congress of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, not only because it was "election day," but because of the interest attaching to the reception recorded the daughters by President Roosevelt at the White House.

DIAMOND TRUST HEAD TALKS. Price of Carbons to Be Kept Up in Spite of the Slack Demand.

NEW YORK, April 23.—Louis Abrahams, president of the great diamond syndicate of international fame, which controls 90 per cent of the diamond output of the world, says that there is to be no shrinkage in the price of diamonds despite the fact that there is now a marked decrease in the demand for the precious stones.

WAR DECLARED UPON THE FLY. Greatest Germ Ferryer Known in the Little Feet of the Air.

NEW YORK, April 23.—"Death to flies" is the slogan of the water pollution committee of the New York Merchants' association. It is hoped that by taking vigorous preventive measures early in the season the heavy mortality for typhoid and other intestinal diseases due to the filthy-devoicing, germ-carrying habits of the fly may be materially diminished.

BUCKET SHOP BILL PASSES. Measure Making Business Criminal in New York Ready for the Governor.

ALBANY, N. Y., April 23.—The senate bill making it a felony to conduct a bucket-shop was passed by a party vote in the assembly, it now goes to the governor.

LOCAL OPTION LAW IS VALID

Illinois Supreme Court Renders Decision on New Act of Legislature.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 23.—The supreme court today rendered a decision in the McBride case declaring the new local option law passed last year constitutional. Upon this decision depended the effects of three saloon elections which have been held under provisions of the present law. The election resulted in thirty-six counties barring out saloons altogether, while thirty-six other counties turned the liquor dispensing out of all but one or two taverns in the county. At least 2,000,000 people in Illinois who have lived in prohibition districts would perhaps be put back into saloon territory if the supreme court declared that law unconstitutional.

THE COURT IS UNANIMOUS IN ITS DECISION. Every point on which the law was attacked was pronounced valid by the court. The court also holds that the United States stamp is prima facie evidence that the man engaged in the sale of liquor; that in case of elections without notice, for which it provides, such elections, if held, would be invalid, but that this does not invalidate the act itself.

THE COURT HOLDS THAT THE LEGISLATURE MAY create districts like a county or township and that if the voters in the district shall decide that intoxicating liquors shall not be sold in the district, then a village or city in this district cannot permit the sale of liquor. The sale of liquor for medicinal purposes by druggists is never regarded as the saloon business, says the court.

LODGE CONVENTION CHAIRMAN. Massachusetts Senator Mentioned to Wield Gavel at Chicago Republican Meeting.

WASHINGTON, April 23.—Convention politics are already under discussion at the capitol and some of the republican leaders, realizing the possible danger of friction developing between the rival aspirants for the nomination in connection with the organization of the convention in Chicago, are cautiously taking soundings to develop the attitude and probable course of action of various eligibles for the convention offices.

IT IS NOW LEARNED THAT A STRONG EFFORT is being made to induce Senator Lodge of Massachusetts to accept the permanent chairmanship. His friends are urging that he present in his personality the best compromise element, standing in a most favorable attitude toward each of the persons who have figured in the public prints as possible candidates for the republican nomination. The senator himself does not care to discuss the matter openly, and in fact it is probable that it has not progressed beyond a tentative stage.

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DEATH IN THE WIND'S WAKE

Tornado Tears Through Thurston County, Doing Great Damage.

ONE KILLED AND MANY INJURED

At Least Two Will Die as Result of Injuries Sustained.

NOON HOUR MADE HIDEOUS

Familied on Farms Disturbed at Dinner by Terrible Storm.

HOUSES TORN TO ATOMS IN FLASH

Path of Storm Marked by Complete Destruction of All.

TOWN OF PENDER HAS CLOSE CALL

Twister Passes Within Quarter of Mile, Dropping Debris of Ruined Farm Homes and Buildings on the Streets.

THE DEAD.

INFANT CHILD OF EMIL MAGNUSON. THE INJURED.

Mrs. Magnuson, fatally. Emil Magnuson, seriously.

Mrs. Emil Magnuson, seriously. Two Magnuson children, seriously.

Members of Richard Walker's family, slightly. Walker's hired man, seriously.

Members of Claus Swanson's family, seriously. Swanson's hired man, dangerously.

PENDER, Neb., April 23.—(Special Telegram.)

A destructive tornado averaging about thirty rods in width struck the farm of Rich-ard Wacker, six miles southwest of here about 12:30 today, completely wrecking the house, carrying with it seven members of the family, and the hired man, who was the only one seriously injured.

A very large barn was also wrecked besides other building.

A mile north at the home of Emil Magnuson, his wife and two small children and the aged mother of Magnuson were eating dinner. The house was lifted into the air and strewn all over the farm. The 1-year-old child was killed, the aged mother was picked up a quarter of a mile away among the debris almost lifeless. She will die. Other members of the family were bruised almost beyond recognition. One mile further the home of John Glover was demolished, all but the house, which was badly damaged. The barn was taken up and some of the house was found a half mile away.

On the next farm was Henry Glism, where two large barns were completely wrecked and blown away, mowing his grove down as if by a sickle.

Following in its path was the farm of Henry Semar, where lived his renter, Henry Schaefer. Here the house was torn into fragments, hardly a piece being left whole. The barn and crib were all swept away, killing several horses and other stock. Crossing the railroad on its northeasterly direction, the storm passed Pender to the east, hardly a quarter of a mile. It wrecked the home of Dan James on the reservation.

Further along the house and barn of Jacob Karep was completely swept away. One-half mile further was Claus Swanson, whose house and other buildings were also wrecked. The next was William Kelly, whose fine house and barn was taken up the bottom. Further over to the north was the house of Albert Nash, east of the village of Thurston. His buildings were also swept away, where the whirling billows spent their force.

A farm hand was brought here from the Claus Swanson home seriously injured. Other members of the family are also badly hurt.

All the physicians are out attending to the wounded and at this time it is difficult to forecast the fatal results. This monster of the air passed about the noon hour. Hundreds of people rushed to the cellars and other places of safety, large and small, piles of debris were falling out of the upper currents of air over the town. From the dipping points of the tornado to where it spent its force every vestige of vegetation or buildings in its path was wrecked or ruined. A distance of ten miles, the growing grain was taken up. The damage to buildings and stock will exceed \$30,000.

ALLIANCE. Neb., April 23.—(Special Telegram.)—The drenching rains that have prevailed throughout northern and eastern Wyoming all day reached here this afternoon and has set in for an all-night steady rain and thereby dispelling all prospects for a dry year.