LA FOLLETTE MEN UNEASY

Fear Collision with the Roosevelt Political Special.

TAFT FORCES ARE ORGANIZING

Reports from State Say Counties Are Now Thoroughly Organized to Boost Interests of President Taft.

(From a Staff Correspondent.)

LINCOLN, Jan. 28.—(Special.)—Just at present disinterested spectators are enjoying the prospect of a collision between the La Follette and Roosevelt trains. Ever since the boomers of the former president scheduled their train many of the passengers and some of the crew of the La Follette train have given evidence of uneasiness and at the present time the majority of both classes are down on the running boards ready to jump as soon as there seems to be a prospect of a collision. The La Follette train has never attained sufficient speed to occasion alarm over the chances of injury in jumping, but what is worrying those aboard the La Follette special is the prospect that all the lower berths may be taken by the time they can get aboard the Roosevelt limited. This is a more serious matter than appears on the surface for be it known that the La Follette boomers, that is those who are pushing the affair, are more interested in being in on the ground floor of any movement that promises success than in the fortunes of any individual. This situation is particularly embarrassing just now when they have after much maneuvering, obtained the promise of the Wisconsin senator that he will visit the state and also that Louis D. Brandeis of Boston will come to Nebraska to rally the forces. That the entire enlisted force would jump to Roosevelt promptly if they had any assurance the former president would enter the race is generally conceded and the officials would not be far behind.

Boom for Taft.

Encouraging reports continue to come into the Taft headquarters from the organization work over the state. Cass, Dawson, Gage and Sarpy counties are now thoroughly organized and most of the counties have made a good start on the same line. At the present rate the entire state will be thoroughly organized long before the date for the primaries. The work of organizing is proving even easier than anticipated, the sentiment of republican voters being found such that all that is necessary is to get some one to take hold of the work.

It is announced there will be at least two filings for state offices to greet the secretary of state when he opens his mail Monday morning. J. W. Kelly of Beaver City will enter the race for the democratic nomination for secretary of state. He was sergeant-at-arms of the last house. C. S. Bassett of Gibbon has sent in his filing for the republican nomination for state auditor.

Misses the Governor.

Governor Aldrich and Attorney General Martin got their wires crossed yesterday. The attorney general went to Omaha to consult with County Attorney English and on his return intended to have a talk with the governor, but on arriving in Lincoln ascertained that the governor had started on his Ohio trip. This leaves the whole matter of taking a hand in the Omaha situation hung up until the governor's return. Incidentally, it would not displease the attorney general if it should be permanently placed in the hungup list.

Threshermen to Meet.

The state organization of threshermen will meet in Lincoln February 6, 7 and 8, and a large attendance is expected. After having disposed of the season's crop they have a large collection of their own troubles to thresh out.

NAME LA FOLLETTE DELEGATES

Meeting Held in Hastings in Fifth Congressional District.

HASTINGS, Neb., Jan. 28.—(Special Telegram.)—La Follette republicans from the Fifth congressional district met here in the court house yesterday for the purpose of selecting delegates for the national convention and also to name delegates to the state meeting. I. Devans presided as chairman and J. H. Pope was secretary.

There was an attendance of 129 persons, most of them being attracted to the meeting to hear what James Manapan of St. Paul, Minn., had to say, as he was scheduled to speak in the afternoon and evening.

Resolutions endorsing La Follette for the presidency and George W. Norris for the senate were adopted.

Ambrose Epperson of Clay county and Senator Luse of Harlan county were named as delegates from the Fifth district to the national convention.

Delegates to the state convention are: George A. Wheeler, W. H. Brownell, J. W. Plummer, O. B. Shaffer, A. C. Tompkins, J. M. Tennant, J. A. Gardiner, U. S. Ropreer, I. D. Evans, L. W. Squires, George Givens, J. C. Hayward, Roseland; T. G. Whiting, Junita.

BRIDGEPORT COMMERCIAL CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

BRIDGEPORT, Neb., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The annual meeting of Bridgeport Commercial club last night was largely attended and something of the old time enthusiasm was manifested when the question of maintaining the organization was brought up.

The club will hold regular meetings on the second and fourth Thursday nights of each month and every member is expected to be present to work for the good and welfare of Bridgeport and Morrill county.

The following officers were elected for the coming year:

President, F. E. Williams; vice president, J. L. Miller; secretary, W. J. Scoggin; treasurer, J. L. Johnson; managers, R. H. Willis, V. Anderson, J. E. Twinler, L. R. North and J. M Lynch.

PASSES BOGUS CHECK ON LEAVING REFORM SCHOOL

KEARNEY, Neb., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—E. B. McDermott, county attorney, today filed papers against Robert E. Irvine, 21 years of age, now in jail at Grand Island charged with passing a bogus check for $46.20 on the Central National bank in this city last September.

Young-Irvine had an exemplary record in the State Industrial school, from which he was paroled last summer. At the time of leaving, he announced having received a check from his father, who lives in St. Paul, Minn., and which was drawn on the Minneapolis National bank.

Shuster Will Go to London.

PARIS, Jan. 28.—W. Morgan Shuster, recently treasurer general of the Persian government, will leave for London tomorrow. In London he will be given a dinner by the British Persian committee.

Fifty Years Wedded Today

MR. AND MRS. DANIEL A. SHAFFER.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel A. Shaffer will celebrate their fiftieth anniversary at their home one and one-half miles north of St Edward, Neb., at 7 o'clock this evening. Invitations had been sent to a large number of relatives and a few intimate friends. Daniel A. Shaffer and Letticia Kennedy were married January 29, 1862, at Niles, Mich., moved to Lexington, Ill., where they resided for seven years, then moving to Edwardsburg, Mich., where they lived ten years, having moved from there to St. Edward, Boone county, Neb., in 1879, where he purchased a homestead, and have since resided, raising eight children (five boys and three girls) and have twenty-five grand children. Mr. Shaffer, who is now 73 years of age, and Mrs. Shaffer, 66 years, are in very good health and continue to look after the management of their fine farm of 160 acres.

DEAN DENOUNCES CHILD SLAVERY

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normal by the proper influences and care during childhood.

"It is a difficult matter to make little, empty heads hold the knowledge we try to give them when their little bodies are weak from hunger. How much better it would be to take delinquent children and find why they are delinquent and build educational institutions instead of additions to our jails."

Child Labor Unnecessary.

Dean Sumner declared child labor was unnecessary, and to prove his assertion pointed to the fact that but three children were found in Chicago whose wages were indispensable to the family and but five in the state of Illinois. Greed drives them into the factories and keeps them there. The supply of labor is now greater than the demand and the labor of the child is robbing the adult of a fair compensation for his time and work.

Manufacturers who are eager that the child labor industry shall thrive because the deft fingers of childhood can be bought for a less price than those of the more mature were denounced as being principal actors in the child labor tragedy.

Schools Are Humdrum.

As another contributing cause to child labor Dean Sumner said our schools were too humdrum and that children wanted to leave them. He said the schools had been undergoing a gradual change for the better and that he hoped in time to see a transformation. Eight-hour day schools with half of the time devoted to study and half to supervised play or a portion of the day given to the study of some vocation, including visits to business and professional houses where the actual business activities could be studied, were advocated.

Pointing to the horors of child labor, Dean Sumner drew a picture of the limp-lunged, pallid-faced, fever-racked little child with its consumptive cough, longing for the sunshine, but doomed ever to be a "shadow child." He scored a theological seminary where examination questions included twelve queries about the angels, but not one about a child. "One child," he said, "born in the most awful viciousness, is worth more in the sight of God than all the angels."

Remedies Are Suggested.

"Let us establish a federal child's welfare bureau, or whatever you want ti call it, to confer with the president and his cabinet; municipal day nurseries; prevent children working during vacation, because they return too weary to take interest in their work; and let us have supervised play," suggested the dean, referring to the means for improving the child labor situation.

Frequently during his address Dean Sumner was compelled to pause, the audience of 2,000 noisily endorsing his opinions.

Dr. D. E. Jenkins presided during the meeting. The opening number on the afternoon program was a song by the Omaha High school Glee club, followed with a prayer by Bishop R. L. Williams and an address by Miss Julia C. Lathrop on "Unprotected Children, Boys and Girls and Their Rights."

Environment Most Potential.

Environment was set down by Miss Lathrop as the principal cause of delinquency and general orneriness in boys and girls. She said it was the duty of the state to superintendent the care of the child and that every child has this right to consideration, whether rich or poor, sick or well. "The child has a right to be studied, instead of punished," said while tracing the history of child legislation and treatment down through the last few hundred years.

As proof that the child was influenced by its surroundings it referred to the theft of coal from the coal yards, saying the child often believed it had a right to this coal, viewing the railroad yards as the "great iron common." To offset thefts of coal Miss Lathrop said railroads should fence their yards instead of seeking to punish offending children.

She declared in favor of the parents' pension law, recently enacted in Illinois, the psychopathic institute which studies boys and girls from a physychological standpoint, and lambasted society for holding to the old custom of imprisoning kids or punishing them for delinquincy.

"Many children," she said, "are delinquent because they cannot see the blackboard on account of some other physical illness." She advocated a wider consideration of the child, studying it not as an entity, but as a unit in a family group.

DEAN TALKS OF HIS SLUM WORK

Chicago Divine Fills Trinity Cathedral Pulpit.

"Religion can't sink in where there isn't strength of body to hold good thoughts," sand Dean Walter T. Sumner of Chicago, telling the congregation of Trinity cathedral yesterday of the social and institutional as well as the religious work of the church in the slums of Chicago.

"The important work of the church is to go and minister to those in prison and to those who are so distressed that they are not in a receptive mind to hear the word of God."

The Episcopal church in Chicago is now active in forty-one social, civic and philanthropic institutions and movements, he said. He described a number of these activities, telling how the poor were supplied with coal during the recent cold snap, how 900 men and between 600 and 700 women were clothed by the cathedral mission last winter, how a lodging house is maintained, where penniless men are given the opportunity to work for shelter, how rescue work is carried on among the women of the redlight district, in which the cathedral is situated, and of work in the poorhouse, home for incurables and other institutions.

"The church should take part in civic affairs," said Dean Sumner. "One of its duties should be to solve the problem of honest city administration. The church should be interested in all phases of civic life. We hear so much of keeping the children off the streets; we should hear more about making the streets decent enough for the children to play in."

The church must go out and work among those who will not come to the altar, Dean Sumner said, and it must appeal to them from the standpoint of personal good.

"You may publish all the pamphlets and preach all the sermons you want," he declared, "but you will not do good unless you convince the man that his sins weaken his body and lessen his efficiency."

WOULD ABANDON SMALLER FORTS

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of war have been hampered in getting rid of useless and expensive posts by local and political influences. It is asserted that no less than $30,000,000 has been spent on such posts in the last ten years, and every dollar so expended became an argument against their abandonment.

FORMER CASHIER PAROLED FROM LEAVENWORTH PRISON

LEAVENWORTH, Kan., Jan. 28.—Henry G. Goll, former cashier of the First National bank of Milwaukee, Wis., left the federal penitentiary here late today on parole.

Goll left immediately for Kansas City, where he took a late train for Milwaukee, his former home. He will arrive in Milwaukee tomorrow noon. Goll said he intended to enter business, but declined to say what it would be.

A telegram ordering Goll's immediate release was received by Warden McClaughry today from Attorney General Wickersham, who said the parole papers would be mailed from Washington.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 28.—Henry Goll was assistant cashier of the Milwaukee First National bank at the time President Frank G. Bigelow was accused of being a defaulter, and it was charged that the two had co-operated in hiding the shortage in the bank funds. Bigelow was paroled several months ago.

Switchman Loses Hand.

SHERIDAN, Wyo., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—A. P. Gray, a Burlington switchman, fell under a car while switching a mine train, his left hand being severed at the wrist.

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NO FACTIONALISM IN IOWA

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EXPECT UNITY OF ACTION

Probabilities Are for Solid Support of Iowa Senator by Entire Delegation—Won't Be Second Fiddle.

DES MOINES, Ia., Jan. 28.—(Special.)—The new turn in the Iowa political situation, by which Iowa is to present an Iowa candidate for the presidency at the republican national convention, has been received with equanimity in political circles in the state, and up to the present time there does not appear to be any danger of a recurrence of bitter factionalism as a result of the action taken. In fact, there does not seem to be any doubt now that the entire state delegation will be composed of conservative and moderate men and that they will act as a unit at the convention in whatever they do. On all sides it is regarded as entirely proper that Iowa should present the name of Senator Cummins, and he himself has made it very plain that his name is not to be used unless it is with the honest expectation that he will be at least a very important factor in the game. In other words, it is known that Senator Cummins will not permit the use of his name either to help or to hurt anyone else, but the delegation must be for him first, last and all the time and have no second choice, or he does not want it at all. On the other hand, the Taft people have been fearful that the delegation was wanted merely to be used for Roosevelt or La Follette, and the La Follette men have been fearful that the delegation was to be merely kept away from him and to be finally used for Taft. But the present outlook is that a fair and workable understanding is to be arrived at that the delegation is to be solely for the advancement of the Cummins candidacy and not to be used as trading stock or otherwise. Informal conferences of the leaders among the republicans have already been held looking to the arrival at just such an understanding.

District Conventions Separate.

It is anticipated that the republican district conventions will be held earlier than the state convention. It is understood that in the Sixth district a movement has already been started to have a district convention as early as possible, and when this is called it is likely to be followed by a number of others, all to be held at points elsewhere than the location of the state convention in April.

It is planned that a delegation shall be made up composed of both standpatters and progressives, but all of conservative tendencies, and this will be necessary especially in the eastern and southern part of the state if a fight is to be avoided that will effect the congressional elections. The fear is that if factional troubles are stirred up it will result in sending four or five democrats to congress the next time.

Des Moines Republicans Organize.

The practically unanimous action taken by the Polk County Bar association last week at its regular meeting in endorsing the candidacy of Senator Cummins was but a preliminary to the meeting to be held Monday evening at which time the republicans of this city and county will start organization work to give Cummins a big boost for the presidential nomination. Committees will be named to ascertain the sentiment of the republicans and to arrange for the primary that will be held in the county. It is also possible that committees will be named for the purpose of ascertaining what can be done in districts of the state that might be induced for factional reasons to oppose Senator Cummins. Frank D. Jackson, president of the Taft club, which was formed two years ago to take the convention away from Cummins and Dolliver, has signified his desire that the Iowa delegation be given to Cummins, and other leaders who have in the past opposed the senator will take part in the movement for him.

There is not apparent anywhere any feeling of antagonism to President Taft, but many of the Iowa republicans believe the program proposed will work out for harmony.

Democrats Are All at Sea.

A conference of democratic politicians from all over the state was held here today for the purpose of considering among other matters, what Iowa should do as to presidential preference at the Baltimore convention. The widest difference of opinion prevailed. It was found that there are friends of Clark, Wilson and Harmon among the Iowa democrats, and a great many who believe that the nomination of Bryan will be the best thing for their party. The Clark men have been planning for a coup, and expect to capture the state for their man and secure an instructed delegation. But the Wilson men are strong and will make a fight before this is done. Many of the older leaders of the party are in favor of an uninstructed delegation with an understanding that it will vote as a unit and that no decision will be made until the meeting of the national convention. But it has already become apparent that any effort to decide now as between the different democratic candidates will precipitate a row in Iowa.

Dog Show at Fair.

One of the new features of the Iowa state fair in 1912 will be a dog show.

The executive committee of the state board of agriculture, which is in session at the state house, arranging for the fall exposition, made this announcement yesterday.

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