

WILL BRYAN ACCEPT?

Now the Leading Question in Political Circles.

SUBSTANCE OF HIS DISPATCH.

This Message, Which was Suppressed at St. Louis, Would Indicate His Acquiescence—Final Scenes to the Session of the Populists.

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The question as to whether Bryan will accept the nomination is everywhere discussed, the general opinion being that he will acquiesce.

William J. Bryan of Nebraska, who was nominated by the Democratic National convention at Chicago a fortnight ago, was made the standard bearer of the Populist party by a vote of 1942 to 321.

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TOM WATSON.

Jones, sent after Sewall, his running mate, had been ditched for the vice presidential nomination, and Thomas E. Watson of Georgia had been named for second place on the ticket.

General Weaver of Iowa, the Populist candidate in 1892, placed Bryan in nomination, and General Field of Virginia, who was his running mate, after a speech, moved to make the nomination unanimous.

Chairman Allen held the motion to be in order and that until that motion was decided the call of states for nominations, which was the order of the convention, could not proceed.

The ruling almost precipitated a riot. Some cheered, some cursed, some fought and there would probably have been serious trouble had not the Bryan leaders wisely concluded to abandon this so regarded high-handed program...

Most of the speakers seconded Bryan's nomination. About 50 seconding speeches were made and some of them were eloquent and brilliant.

Frank S. Norton of Chicago was the only other candidate Ignatius Donnelly of Minnesota and General Corey of Industrial Army fame were nominated, but their names were withdrawn.

Norton received 87 votes, Eugene V. Debs 10 and Donnelly 1. Norton got the majority of the solid vote of Texas, Michigan, New York, Missouri, Rhode Island and Wisconsin and a respectable portion of the votes of Alabama, California, Kentucky, Illinois and Ohio.

BRYAN'S DISPATCH.

Substance of the Communication Which was Suppressed at St. Louis.

CHICAGO, July 27.—Among those who returned from St. Louis was a gentleman who saw and read the suppressed dispatch from Mr. Bryan to Senator Jones, chairman of the national Democratic committee. He possesses a fairly good memory and gives the following as the substance of the document about which there was so much talk and excitement during the last day of the Populist convention. What is subjoined may be relied upon as substantially correct.

"Considering all the circumstances and conditions," wired Mr. Bryan, "I have concluded that the Populist convention should not consider my name for the presidency, but if it determines to nominate me, notwithstanding this declaration, I desire to say that I shall not during the campaign discuss any other issue than those outlined in the Chicago platform."

"I desire above everything else to be instrumental in having enacted into the laws of the United States the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the present ratio of 16 to 1 without awaiting the consent of any other country."

"The Republican platform adopted at St. Louis asserts that the bimetallic system should be restored, but that the American people are helpless to bring about bimetalism for themselves until foreign nations are willing to assist. The American people cannot afford to surround the right to legislate for themselves on all questions and so long as the right is disputed it surpasses all others in importance."

"The Populist platform presents several new issues, to discuss which during this campaign will, in my judgment, endanger the success of our cause. I am not willing to be a party to anything which will divert attention from the money question. Nor am I willing to be placed in the attitude of seeking help from other political organizations by so identifying my associate upon the ticket. He is squarely upon the Chicago platform as I am myself and he defended the cause of bimetalism against much greater opposition than have the men of the West and South. I desire to be left free to support Sewall during the campaign."

"It is due to myself and the Populist convention that there should be the most outspoken frankness between us."

"To this dispatch," said the gentleman, "there was attached a postscript requesting that the statement be read to the convention before the balloting was commenced."

Why the dispatch was not read; the reasons for the objections of Senator Allen, chairman of the convention, to its reading have been given in the press dispatches from St. Louis.

WATSON FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

Populists Refuse to Accept Sewall For Second Place.

ST. LOUIS, July 26.—The Populist convention was adjourned at 1 o'clock this morning after accomplishing the nomination of Thomas E. Watson of Georgia for the vice presidency on the first ballot.

Scenes of great confusion marked the culminating hour of the session. A motion to make the nomination unanimous had been made and the yeas called for, but not the nays, so that Watson's opponents are claiming that the nomination has not been formally made, although Chairman Allen declared it.

The fight between the new supporters, who desired to endorse the regular Democratic ticket, and the radicals, who would not accept the Maine millionaire, was a fierce one and ended with the nomination of a Populist.

The critical phase of the situation is that many of the delegates yesterday, to Chairman Allen of the Democratic committee stating a positive refusal to accept a nomination from the Populists unless his running mate was also placed on the ticket. These telegrams were in the possession of Tom Patterson of Colorado, but were not read to the convention. After the nomination of Watson the lights in the convention hall went out and the Watson men clamored through the irregularity of the Bryan faction that the latter might have time to discuss the situation and possibly induce the Democratic candidate to reconsider his determination.

The straight-out Populists managed to bring about the situation upon which the curtain was wrung down by forcing the unprecedented program of nominating the second man on the ticket first, although their opponents, notably Jerry Simpson, went so far as to plead with them and promise the nomination of a Southern man for second place if the presidential nomination was proceeded with in order.

Horatio King Writes McKinley. West Newton, Mass., July 28.—Hon. Horatio King, ex-postmaster general, whose official life in Washington covered the time from 1837 to 1891, has sent a letter to William McKinley, in which he says:

"The danger now threatening the stability of the United States is most appalling. I earnestly entreat you to listen to the warning appeal of Hon. William C. Whitney. It is your opportunity to place your name along with that of Lincoln, but on the roll of honor and fame, you can well afford to set aside for the time being all minor political questions, and lead off resolutely in a war against the free silver orator, Populists and anarchists."

Coming Gold Standard Convention.

INDIANAPOLIS, July 25.—Ex-Congressman William D. Byrum, who is a member of the subcommittee of gold standard Democrats that is arranging for a national convention to nominate a gold standard ticket, said that 15 states have already indicated that they will be represented at the meeting in this city Aug. 7. There are a few of the far Western states that will not be represented at the meeting of Aug. 7, he said, because the time is so short that they cannot get their representatives here.

States are beginning to organize. Mr. Byrum said, and Minnesota has already appointed delegates, and Texas has organized, and Kansas has sent word that the state will be organized immediately.

Nominee Sewall's Position. NEW YORK, July 27.—The World correspondent at Baltimore, Md., asked Hon. Arthur Sewall concerning his attitude in the new situation caused by the Populist nomination of Bryan and Watson. Mr. Sewall said: "The only statement I have to make is that the action of the St. Louis convention does not change my attitude or plans the least particle."

The correspondent said: "You have not, then, the slightest thought of resigning. I suppose I may say that you have no such thoughts."

"Well, my answer to your first question covers that equally well," said Mr. Sewall.

Sewall on Maine Politics.

BATH, July 25.—Arthur Sewall, in an interview on the prospects of another state Democratic convention, says there will be another convention and it will pass resolutions endorsing the Chicago platform. Chairman Hughes of the state committee and Mr. Sewall were in conference. As to another gubernatorial candidate to take Mr. Winslow's place, Mr. Sewall has nothing to say.

SECTION FOREMAN LYNCHED.

Taken From a Sheriff by a Missouri Mob and Hanged.

SEALIA, July 25.—Mart Crawford, a widower, 38 years old, employed as a section foreman on the Missouri Pacific, has been lynched a few miles from Tipton. He was arrested, charged with attempted assault upon Miss Mary Tuckley, 10 years old. The girl was en route from Kansas City to Versailles, the home of Crawford, and accompanied by the section foreman. A long and varied program was carried out, all of the contests being exciting, although affording no new records.

Cornelius Vanderbilt at Newport. NEWPORT, R. I., July 27.—Cornelius Vanderbilt arrived at 6 o'clock last evening on F. W. Vanderbilt's yacht Cadmus. He was taken off his yacht at the New York boat landing and conveyed to the Breakers in a Berlin coach. It was stated that Cornelius Vanderbilt had withstood the voyage excellently and that he was much improved in health.

Twenty-first Regiment Celebrates. PLATTSBURG, July 29.—The Twenty-first regiment, infantry, United States army, had a third day in honor of the 50th anniversary of the organization of the regiment. A long and varied program was carried out, all of the contests being exciting, although affording no new records.

Cecil Rhodes to Dive. LONDON, July 25.—The Daily News says that it hears that Cecil Rhodes intends at the earliest possible opportunity to attend the parliamentary committee, which is to investigate the Jameson raid, and to fully disclose everything he knows about the raid.

Young Girl's Violent Death. SARATOGA, July 28.—Missie Stanley, a young girl who was visiting friends here, was struck by a Delaware and Hudson train and instantly killed.

TERRIFIC RAIN STORM.

Damage to Life and Property at Pittsburg.

THREE DEAD; TWO WILL DIE.

Number of Other Persons Seriously Injured—Immense Damage Done to Property in that Vicinity.

Further Floods Will Result.

PITTSBURGH, July 28.—A wind and rain storm of unusual fierceness visited here last evening, causing the loss of three lives and doing immense damage to property. Several dwellings were completely demolished and others partially wrecked. Light or 10 churches had their roofs blown off and were otherwise damaged.

Telephone and electric light poles were snapped like pipestems, mixing the wires in an inextricable mass in the streets, making travel in many sections of the city impossible. Lightning and high wind accompanied the storm, or rather two storms, for Pittsburg and Allegheny was the meeting place of one storm from the west, which came up the Ohio valley, and another from the east, which followed the course of the Allegheny river. Such a battle of the elements is rarely witnessed.

In East Pittsburg and Willingding hall fell in large quantities. In the first seven minutes of the storm 0.8 of an inch of water was precipitated, and the wind reached a velocity of 30 miles an hour.

At 8 p. m. another storm broke almost as fierce as the first: one of an inch of rain fell, making a total of 1.83. The rivers are now rising and another flood is expected.

It is estimated that \$100,000 will barely cover the loss in this locality alone.

SEXTUPLT THE WINNER. Empire State Express Hapten in a Race Near Syracuse.

SYRACUSE, July 29.—When the westward bound Empire State express was about two miles west of Syracuse, a novel race took place. Between tracks Nos. 3 and 4 six athletic young men on a Starns sextuplet were kicking the pedals for all they were worth.

Arrangements for the race were quietly completed several days ago. At this point is a stretch of cinder path about four feet wide and a mile and a half long. As soon as the Empire was in sight, after leaving here the sextuplet got under way. The Empire was soon abreast and the race began.

For a quarter of a mile it was an even thing. At the end of a half mile the sextuplet was four lengths ahead. The sextuplet was then obliged to slow down, owing to a short bridge a quarter of a mile ahead.

A number of railroad officers and bicycle men witnessed the race. Arthur Yates, official photographer of the New York Central, took four photographs of the race.

TO PREVENT GOLD EXPORTS. Bankers Formulate a Plan Which They Say Will Be Successful.

NEW YORK, July 28.—The committee of exchange bankers to devise a plan for the prevention of gold exports during the next 90 days, has presented a complete report to the full body at a meeting held at the offices of J. P. Morgan & Co.

The plan was pronounced effective and was unanimously adopted and the committee discharged. The plan will take effect immediately. A member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. said that no public statement would be made.

The Brooklyn banks are beginning to tender gold to the treasury in exchange for legal tender notes. The People's bank of Brooklyn offered to deposit \$10,000 and others will give proportionate amounts of their gold to the treasury.

PHYSICIAN COMMITS SUICIDE. Outs the Arteries of His Wrists and Leaps From a Window.

PHILADELPHIA, July 29.—Dr. Dale Dillon, aged 41 years, a prominent downtown physician, jumped from an upper story of his residence, after cutting the arteries of his wrists, and died almost instantly. Dr. Dillon had been addicted to the use of alcohol, and it is thought that excessive indulgence in the drug shattered his mind. He had been found in bed by his aged father with both wrists cut. Help was summoned, but while the old man was alone with his son the latter arose from bed, and after an awful struggle with his father threw himself from the window.

General Reduction Ordered. ATLANTA, July 29.—The Georgia state railway commission, at a special meeting to consider the threatened rate war between the Seaboard Air line and the Associated Lines, ordered a general reduction in local rates to conform to the 80 per cent out on freight from eastern points to Atlanta, recently declared by the Southern Railway Freight association.

Corporals and Sergeants. NEWPORT, R. I., July 27.—Corporals and sergeants of the 20th regiment of the United States army, had a third day in honor of the 50th anniversary of the organization of the regiment. A long and varied program was carried out, all of the contests being exciting, although affording no new records.

Lost With All on Board. PHILADELPHIA, July 27.—Information just received from Stanley, P. T., under date of June 9, proves conclusively that the ship which foundered off the locality May 14 last was the Philadelphia clipper City of Philadelphia, and that Captain Johnson, his wife and family, one passenger and a crew numbering in all 25 men, perished.

Lumber Plant Burned. NEW LEWISVILLE, Ark., July 29.—Fire has swept a mill lumber plant, dwelling house and seven railroad cars at Sunning South Lumber company, destroying 1,000,000 feet of lumber. Loss, \$50,000; heavily insured.

Boston Banks Aid the Treasury. BOSTON, July 29.—The Boston banks have deposited \$35,000 in gold, in addition to the more than \$2,000,000 subscribed last week, for the relief of the national treasury.

JAMESON GOES TO PRISON.

Sentenced to Fifteen Months For Involvement in the Transvaal.

LONDON, July 29.—The attendance at the trial of Dr. Jameson and his associates was never so great as on the last day. The opening part of Lord Russell's summing up, however, and his two hours' recapitulation of the evidence was, however, and even Dr. Jameson probably the most interested of all present, indulged in a series of cat naps, while the other defendants were dozing at times.

The ladies, of whom there were a great number in the court room, fanned themselves wearily while trying to catch glimpses of the defendants. The latter, while the jury was out, retired to the room, where they held a reception of their lady friends and relatives, all of whom had high hopes of the acquittal of the prisoners.

The jury, after having retired at about 4.30, returned at about 5.24, and the defendants were hastily summoned to take their places. The judges came in five minutes later and the jury men gave an affirmative answer to all the questions which had been propounded to them by the chief justice, but they added a rider to the effect that the disturbances at Johannesburg were premeditated.

Lord Russell then directed that their answers were equivalent to a verdict of guilty.

The jury then consulted together for about three minutes and afterward rendered a verdict of guilty. Dr. Jameson and his co-defendants were apparently unmoved when the verdict had been rendered.

Sir Edward Clarke said that in view of the verdict rendered the defendants refused to instruct for a new trial and expressed a desire to settle the case now.

Lord Russell then passed sentence upon the prisoners. Dr. Jameson was sentenced to 15 months imprisonment with out labor; Major Sir John Willoughby was sentenced to 10 months imprisonment; Major R. White was sentenced to seven months imprisonment and Captain Henry F. Coventry (a son of the Earl of Coventry), Colonel R. Gray and Colonel H. F. White were sentenced to five months imprisonment.

POSTOFFICE DEFICIENCY. Though Postal Revenues Have Increased, It Will Reach \$10,000,000.

WASHINGTON, July 29.—The forthcoming annual report of the postmaster general will show a material increase in the revenues from stamped paper of all sorts, one kind but will still doubtless indicate a postal deficiency of at least \$10,000,000.

The total value of all stamps, stamped envelopes, wrappers and postal cards is \$70,178,101 against \$74,037,499 for the year ending June 30, 1905. The aggregate number of stamps, envelopes, etc., was 1,103,856,533. This amount is an increase of \$20,820,730 over the previous fiscal year.

The value of stamps of all kinds alone was \$31,991,170. The value of the various kinds of stamped paper for the year were as follows: Ordinary postage stamps, \$57,774,438; special delivery stamps, \$446,027; newspaper and periodical stamps, \$2,819,177; postage due stamps, \$180,652; ordinary stamped envelopes and newspaper wrappers, \$7,814,843; special request envelopes, \$7,545,070; postal cards, \$3,838,232.

All of these show an increase in value, except newspaper and periodical stamps. In this item there is a decrease of about \$28,000.

GIANT POWDER EXPLOSION. Serious Damage Done and Several Persons Badly Injured.

VICTOR, Colo., July 29.—The explosion of 50 pounds of giant powder in Victor avenue seriously damaged four business blocks. Many people were bruised and out, but none killed.

Those whose injuries are most serious are: Mike Ryan, who will probably lose an eye; J. H. Holmes, breastbone and arm broken; Will Dahlinger, severe bruises.

The damage will be paid by the city, as the powder was for use in work on the streets.

Captain Tebeau's Injunction Case. CLEVELAND, July 29.—An answer was filed in common pleas court in the Colebert injunction suit brought by Captain Tebeau of the Cleveland Baseball club against the directors of the National league to prevent the collection of a fine alleged to have been unjustly imposed.

The defendants filed a notice of a motion to dissolve the temporary injunction, which will be up for hearing on Friday. The dissolution is asked for on the ground that the petition does not state facts sufficient to constitute a cause for a temporary restraining order, but only discloses that there is complete and adequate remedy in a suit for damages. The petition asks the court to compel the performance of a personal contract.

Fighting To Cuba. HAVANA, July 29.—General Sandoval reports that he has been engaged with superior numbers of insurgents at Palma, Josefine and Sidonia, where he fought and dislodged the enemy from the positions occupied. The insurgents left 15 killed, and the troops captured one certain and one lieutenant of the insurgent forces and destroyed the camps of the last, capturing a quantity of cartridges and dynamite. In so doing, the troops had three men killed and three officers and 22 soldiers wounded. The insurgents fired upon the troops, defending the military line of Pinar Del Rio between Ponce and Gabriela. Five soldiers were wounded.

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