

STATE BOURBONS WILL WORK FOR WM. J. BRYAN

Central Committee Declares for Nebraskan "First, Last and All the Time" Fresno Wins the California Convention, Which Is to Be Held May 18 Democratic Chieftains Favor Bell for Temporary Chairman at the National Rally

By George Van Smith Whereas, there stands before the people of our country and the world as the representative of democracy a man who, for nearly a generation, has more largely contributed to the solution of the problems of the human race, and who, more largely than any other, by far seeing and wise suggestion has influenced the thought of men in the direction of humanity in government—

Whereas, there is a demand throughout our country that William Jennings Bryan shall lead the people in the battle for human rights as the nominee for the presidency of the democratic party; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, by the democratic state central committee of California, that we do endorse William Jennings Bryan for the nomination by the democratic party for the office of president of the United States, and that we pledge ourselves to labor unceasingly for the election of this great leader, and that we give our hearty support to the selection of a delegation to the democratic national convention instructed to cast its vote on behalf of the California democracy first and always for William Jennings Bryan.

The California delegation to the democratic national convention will go to Denver instructed to vote "first and always" for the nomination of William Jennings Bryan for president. The delegates will be chosen and receive their instructions at the hands of the state convention, consisting of 591 delegates, to be assembled at Fresno Monday, May 18.

The California delegation will also go to Denver prepared and anxious to fight to the last ditch, if necessary, on behalf of its state's favorite democratic son, Theodore Bell, who aspires to the honor of presiding over the preliminary deliberations of the national convention as its temporary chairman.

HATCHETS NOT BRANDISHED The meeting of the democratic state central committee held at Native Sons' hall yesterday was a veritable love feast. The state convention was given to Fresno; an appointment of delegates on a basis of 1 for each 200 votes cast for Bell for governor was adopted; the nomination of Bryan endorsed and the major portion of an old debt remaining over from the Bell campaign liquidated without the introduction of a single discordant note.

Anticipated opposition to a declaration for an instructed Bryan delegation did not present itself in the committee room and there was not the slightest opportunity for the precipitation of anything like a row between the machine or McNab democrats and the anti, or San Francisco democratic club, Irroquois club and Bryan club democrats. The anti's jubilantly assert that the machine democrats were forced to hide their alleged opposition to Bryan and the regulars insist that the only California opposition to the Commoner existed in the minds of the anti's, whom they charge with attempting to make capital out of an obvious situation.

CHEER NAME OF BRYAN In any event there was no row, and that to the evident disappointment of some of the gentlemen present and prepared to participate if anything could be started. Eighty-five members of the committee were present or accounted for by their proxies. They cheered the name of Bryan until they were hoarse; chose Fresno as the state convention city with all the embellishment of a contest; endorsed Bell for temporary chairman of the national convention; agreed that things were looking up for the national democratic party and adjourned, all within an hour and a half.

Tom Fox brought two schemes for appointment with him from Sacramento. The one agreed upon, and that without debate, provides for a convention of 591 delegates, of whom 62 will represent the democracy of San Francisco. The appointment was made on a basis of one delegate for each 200

Register NOW, Republicans

If you don't want Herin to rule you, get on the register before April 15.

Old registration has all expired—you must register again before April 15 or you can't vote at the May primaries

Registration closes April 15.

Last day on which registered voter can move to another precinct and not lose his primary vote, April 6.

Registrar's office in the old city hall open from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Register NOW, Republicans

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TELEPHONE KEARNY 86 SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1908

WEATHER CONDITIONS YESTERDAY—Clear; west wind; maximum temperature, 58; minimum, 49. FORECAST FOR TODAY—Fair; fresh south-west wind.

EDITORIAL Business picking up. The story of Herin's gains. The lady or the doctor? Will not play the game. A congressional humorist.

CITY Democratic state central committee indorses Bryan, appoints delegates and decides to hold state convention at Fresno May 18. Land license port, face prosecution on railroad. Guided by Milwaukee's suburb which will be submitted to government.

SUBURBAN San Rafael sheriff seizes station B of North Shore road to satisfy \$1,000 judgment for damages. Miss May Bees Graham becomes Mrs. George Otto Brehm at pretty home wedding. University coeds don hoop skirts in photographer's dressing room and stick in doorway when they seek to walk out.

COAST Cleveland citrus fair closes after one of the most successful displays in the history of the association. Cattle case is affirmed in favor of government, which need not fence forest reserve to keep out stock. Bishop Satterlee dies in Washington after an attack of grip which developed into pneumonia.

EASTERN National house of representatives refuses to separate negroes and whites in Washington cars. As result of lively quarrel the house will investigate the charge of graft in submarine boats. Text at Buffalo celebration quotes Washington's advice: In time of peace prepare for war.

FOREIGN French ensign convicted as naval spy sentenced to life imprisonment in fortress. Peru offers love feast to officers of American fleet at Washington day banquet in Lima.

SPORTS Olympic club runners win the cup in the two mile cross country race, although C. Connolly of the Stipulant Indians finishes in first place. Nathanson announces weights for the Yosemite bandicap, a four mile race at Santa Anita, taken by Big Boy. Stanley Ketchel disposes of Mike (Twin) Sullivan in less than a half round. Eddie Kelly, who will fight Abe Attell next Friday night, has caught the fancy of the sporting men.

LABOR Boycott continues on "cash" house because of proprietor's alleged plan to return to union help by "piecemeal." MARINE Launch San Mateo, built as an experiment, proves success on its trial trip.

At the left is Captain Richard Wainwright, who will become an admiral and succeed Evans when the fleet arrives at San Francisco. In the upper right corner is a photograph showing the reception the people of Callao gave a passenger steamer on entering their harbor. Below is a photograph of the plaza at Callao, where the American jacksies and people gather for concerts.

Map of the Pacific Ocean showing the fleet's itinerary and the flotilla's itinerary. Includes a portrait of Captain Richard Wainwright and two photographs of Callao, Peru. The fleet's itinerary lists stops from Hampton Roads to San Francisco. The flotilla's itinerary lists stops from Callao to San Francisco.

Peru Gives America Love Feast at Washington Day Banquet President Pardo Praises Roosevelt and Toasts Fleet at Navy Function

LIMA, Peru, Feb. 22.—A magnificent banquet was given this evening by President Pardo to the officers of the American fleet in honor of Washington's birthday. Two hundred and fifty of these were present.

The exposition hall, where the banquet was held, was beautifully decorated and the stars and stripes was everywhere in evidence.

"To the prosperity of the United States; to the health of that eminent president, Theodore Roosevelt; that good luck may ever accompany the fleet under your command." Rear Admiral Charles M. Thomas, who represented Rear Admiral Evans, said in reply: "In behalf of the commander in chief, who could not attend because of illness, and in behalf of my brother officers, I return sincere thanks and gratitude. Rest assured that the courtesy and the warmth of the welcome we have received in Peruvian waters is appreciated in the extreme, and the cordiality of the Peruvian government and people will be reported to the government which I have the honor to represent.

"The desirability of closer intercourse between the republic of the north and the sister republics in Central and South America is becoming daily more and more impressed on the minds of my countrymen. My fondest wish is pan-American solidarity, not a theoretical phrase, but an accomplished, living fact.

JACKIES WIN PRAISE Good Conduct Ashore Highly Commended in Peru LIMA, Peru, Feb. 22.—The American jacksies and marines are enjoying their shore leave in Callao and Lima as only sailors can, and their excellent behavior is commented upon on all sides. Early this morning the launches from the fleet began bringing in men to the Callao docks in large numbers and the visitors scattered quickly to the surrounding points of interest. Many of them came up by train, some by trolley. No less than 2,000 men came ashore yesterday, and their conduct was universally admired. More than 2,000 came ashore today.

House Will Investigate Charge of Graft in Submarine Boats

Lilley Satisfies Congressmen of Sincerity by Calling a Correspondent a Liar

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—As the result of a sensational quarrel on the floor of the house today, the resolution of Congressman Lilley to investigate the charge of graft in submarines is sure to be reported. It cannot now be suppressed.

"LIES," SAYS LILLEY "Griggs," Lilley called out, "are you looking for me?" "Yes, I am," replied the Georgian. "What have you to say about this matter?" "Just what I said to Mr. Adamson," said Lilley, "and that is that the statements contained in that article are lies."

They sent for Frank B. Lord, the Washington Herald and New York Sun representative. "I believe," said Lilley, "that you are in the employ of the Electric boat company." "What else have you to say to me?" said Lord. "I have this: When you wrote that article published in the Washington Herald this morning you were a liar."

PRIZES FLIT; OAKLAND 400 IN TURMOIL

Art Objects Vanish From Ebell Clubhouse at Fabiola Card Party "Kleptomaniac," Whisper Society Dames, Gazing Askance at Acquaintances Effort at Secrecy Unavailing, and News of Bold Theft Staggers the Smart Set

OAKLAND, Feb. 22.—Oakland society is torn to its roots over the disappearance of eight prizes purchased as awards for the winners at the Fabiola hospital benefit card party, held at the Ebell clubhouse Wednesday night. Fifty-seven prizes in all were purchased, their cost ranging from \$30 down, and the selections were made with great care, both with regard to artistic beauty and peculiar appropriateness. The display of these prizes was one of the features of the unusually successful affair, and their high value and rare good taste were frequently commented on during the evening.

So much of the funds collected toward the expense of the entertainment had been expended in these articles that a detective was employed to keep watch over them from the time they were taken to the clubhouse until they were claimed by the successful contestants at the various games. But in spite of all these precautions eight—and some of them from among the most valuable—got away and excuses had to be made to explain their absence from the list.

SMART SET STIRRED UP Every effort has been made to keep the facts from the public, and only the faintest whisper of the real cause of the predicament in which the managers of the party found themselves has been allowed to filter through from the innermost circle of the committee. But that whisper has been enough to start shivers running up and down the very backbones of the most exclusive Alameda county social circle. For it was distinctly a society function that was held at the beautiful Ebell home and a greater number of the select coterie that constitutes the upper "who's who" on this side of the bay was in attendance than at any public affair for sweet charity's sake in years.

Already leaders of the smart set have begun to look askance at some of their most intimate friends and murmurs have been heard of other instances when some rare trinket, or even a beautiful cloak, has been reported missing after some gathering at wedding or feast.

There have been utterances beneath the breath before of the dread word "kleptomaniac," but never for the benefit of vulgar ears, and never has such wholesale disappearance been the cause of complaint. The circumstances surrounding the affair explain how the disappearance of the trinkets could take place without the general knowledge of those in charge of the party. The prizes were taken to the clubhouse early in the day in an automobile, so careful was the committee of its charge. The selection had been in the hands of Mrs. Oscar Fitzalan Long and Mrs. Robert Augusta Bray, and days and even weeks had been devoted to the task. Every precaution was taken to keep

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Impertinent Question No. 39

Why Do Men Prefer Blondes? For the most original or wittiest answer to this question—and the briefer the better—The Call will pay FIVE DOLLARS. For the next five answers The Call will pay ONE DOLLAR each. Prize winning answers will be printed next Wednesday and checks mailed to the winners at once. Make your answer short and address it to IMPERTINENT QUESTIONS, THE CALL.

- Winning Answers to "What is a Technicality?" \$5 prize to Isabella Ingalisi, 226 North Market street, San Jose. A dress rehearsal of a camel passing through the eye of a needle. \$1 prize to R. P. McLaughlin, 919 Sutter street, Vallejo. A limited stopover on the Hemeny & San Quentin Short Line. \$1 prize to F. A. MacLean, 1061 Oak street, city. A blowhole in the armor plate of justice; usually detected by the gaffoscope. \$1 prize to Vincent P. Hardeman, Palo Alto. Grounds for Ruff's Faith, Schmitt's Hope, the appellate court's Charity. \$1 prize to Mark J. Mitchell, St. Helena. An excuse for an excuse. \$1 prize to Mrs. M. O'Meara, 1619 Clay street, city. A splitting of hairs to escape a shaving of heads.

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