

STATE BOURBONS WILL WORK FOR WM. J. BRYAN

Central Committee Declares for Nebraska "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.

The 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 its the semblance 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.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1908

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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. The fleet's itinerary lists ports from Hampton Roads to San Francisco. The flotilla's itinerary lists ports from Callao to San Francisco. A section titled 'PERU GIVES AMERICA LOVE FEAST AT WASHINGTON DAY BANQUET' describes a banquet given by President Pardo to the American fleet in honor of Washington's birthday.

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AFRAID OF 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."

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.

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.

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 gnatoscope. \$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.