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CUMMINS PLEADS FOR TARIFF.

Says it Would Be Madness to Vote Democratic Ticket. Chicago, Oct. 24.—The speechmak-

ng phase of the Republican Congressinenal campaign began tonight, when Senator A. B. Cummins, of Iowa, speaking under the auspices of the Hamilton Club, addressed meeting at the Orchestra Hall.

The announced intention of the Iowa Senator was to procure Republican votes. To this end, the keynote of his speech was what he termed the fallacy of voting for Democrats when reforms was to elect Republicans.

"For the man who in his heart wants to preserve fair and reasonable protection for the American wagecarner and the American producer, and who therefore wants duties so adjusted that they will measure the difference between the cost of production at home and abroad, and who in his heart abhors the Democratic fallacy of duties for revenue not antagonistic to the Administrato vote for a Democratic candidate tion, is not called at the suggestion for Congress, who, if he be honest, of the President, who does not atguard," said Senator Cummins. "The States. excessive duties has

an embarrassment to the club.

"If there is no basis for party unity vember 8." in the coming election other than will be a dismal failure," he continuin November there will be a Deino- State, and, that, in consequence, leaders in the last Congress for the regulation of commerce carriers were reactionary and unafir shall record ing in their home communities. his vote for Democratic candidates, Republican victory is impossible."

ROBBED; HURLED TO DEATH.

Mutilated by Train.

Memphis, Oct. 24.—Supposed to fold. have been robbed and hurled to his death between the cars, Walter P. Johnson, a Rock Island railroad executive committee by the convenbrakeman, was killed late last night tion held here September 26, is in six miles west of this city near Hurlburt Lake.

head and both arms had been sevtred by the train passing over it. Robbery, it is believed, was the motive for the crime, as a switchkey and \$10 in cash which Johnson is were missing.

DENVER PAPERS MENACED?

Genve Danger of Their Destruction, Declares a Labor Leader.

Denver, Oct. 24.-Prediction by a ver Tarde and Labor Assembly.

The speaker was Albert B. Kreitler, third vice president of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants Union of North America. When he finished a committee was appoint-

ers' Association, has called a meeting P. In this State under the adminisimportant organization for Friday was the recognized referee and dis- train and say "Sumter," he says "No morning, November 4, in Columbia, tributor of offices among the faithful. Hotel."

Line Black and Tan Crowd.

Columbia, Oct. 26.-Capt. John Gendron Capers, Republican national Dear Friend: committeeman for South Carolina, is ter; Mr. J. C. McCravey, of Green- in line. lumbia, and others.

day what was the attitude of the Administration toward his convention, as contrasted with that held here the only hope of procuring desired some weeks ago, with negroes mostly of Greenwood, presiding.

Capt. Capers sald an impression prevailed at first that the convention to be held at his call Thursday was to be an office-holders' convention, and therefore was to be passed upon by the Administration at Washington. Such, he said, was not the case. "The convention," he said, "while

been effectually made; but we must any, officeholders in it as delegates." in the passion of disappointment, said Capt. Capers, "and is simply ple because we called for the purpose of perfecting may not be satisfied with his pres a Republican organization and executive committee for work in the J. G. Capers, Committeeman. In beginning his address, Senator future, according to party law, as Cummins said that it would be a there does not now exist a Republimatter of regret to him if criticism can organization or executive comof his alleged heresies should become mittee in the State. This had to be done before the general election No-

It is the contention of those prothe transparent pretext that there moting the convention here tomorhave been no material differences row that the Deas-Tolbert-Myers conamong us, the effort to get together vention, held here September 26, was irregular and that its delegates "We all know, and it is an in- have no standing with the national excusable blunder even to attempt to organization. It is believed that the conceal it, that if every Republican lack of regular organization furnishwho feels that we did not revise the es a golden opportunity for the pertariff in accordanc with our party manent elimination of the negro platform votes the Democratic ticket from the councils of the party in this cratic House of Representatives; if militant, aggressive, respectable Reevery Republican who feels that some publican party can be built up in of the proposals made by Repubblican | South Carolina by proper activity at this time, the members to be white men of substance and of high standis hoped that many Carolinians worth and repute, who have hitherto remained with the Democratic party solely because of the negro question, but whose sympathies are Rock Island Brakeman is Afterward with the Republican administration in its handling of national affairs, will now come into the Republican

Mr. Joseph W. Tolbert, of Greenwood, elected chairman of the State the city, a guest at Wright's Hotel. It is presumed that he came here When the body was found the for the purpose of watching develop-

"I don't often talk to newspaper men," he said when asked for a statement, "but I will say that our committee, officers and organization known to have had in his possession are the only bona fide Republican committee, officers and organization in the State. The official call, the convention and the delegations were regular in every way, and the ac- temporary injunction tions of the convention represented Judge Claude Waller, party organization."

"Duke of Darlington."

Assessed Office Holders.

attempt to reorganize the Republi- W. C. Ratcliffe, of Little Rock, suc- light in the alleyway between the can party on a Lily White basis, the ceeds him. Bishop Hendricks retired, Surnter Savings Bank and the Peo- board feet of lumber valued at about subjoined letter will be read with in- however, adhering to the righteous- ples Store. Mr. Wright also wished \$15,000,000 were destroyed in the re-Prof. D. W. Daniel, of Clemson terest by those who desire some in- ness of his view that the Vanderbilt to have this alleyway and that next to cent forest fires in the national for-College, president of the State Teach- sight into the workings of the G. O. trustees are self-perpetuating of the executive committee of this tration of Capt. Capers, while he

This circular letter was addressed to a postmaster of a up-country city, who was seeking reappointment at CAPERS AND HIS COHORTS the time. He regarded it as a direct CITY FATHERS HOLD LONG SES- least twice as much if the work was assessment and declined to come across with the \$75 called for by Leader of New Light Republicans Capt. Capers. When the postmaster Tells Why He Called Convention was appointed another man got the in Opposition to the Regular Old job and the man who failed to come across found himself left out in the cold. The letter follows:

Greenville, S. C., March 7, 1906.

As you well know, for nearly five at the Columbia Hotel conferring years, I have been not only the Natwith leading white Republicans, in ional Committeeman for our State, preparation for the "lily white" State for the party in power, but have had convention of the party, called by its fights here to direct in County, him some weeks ago, which will District, and State conventions, windmeet tomorrow at noon in the Co- ing up at the Chicago convention lumbia Theatre. With Capt. Capers with a delegation. Possibly fifty came Leumas W. C. Blalock, of trips to Washington and return, at Goldville, and he was met here by my own expense in keeping our Postmaster Geo. D. Shore, of Sum- friends here strong and our matters

ville; Mr. Anson C. Merrick, of Wal- When I was United States Attorhalla; Mr. Lawson D. Melton, of Co. ney with a good salary I bore the brunt of all this expense, for we have Capt. Capers, who was formerly never had a dollar in the organiza-United States district attorney for tion treasury to my knowledge. this State and preceded Mr. Royall Some one else has now been made E. Cabell, of Richmond, in the office district attorney and my heretofore of commissioner of internal revenue income from that source cut off, cerat Washington, was asked Wednes- tainly for the present. Nevertheless, I must remain the member of the Republican National Committee for the State until the next National convention of 1908 meets, and in fact attending, and Mr. Joe W. Tolbert, until it adjourns, and possibly longer. I still therefore have the political responsibility, and the great Republican leaders of the Nation, among whom somewhere, is our next President, continue to look to me to keep our working forces alive and organized for political effort. must therefore re-inforce myself in the temporary absence of my accustomed income and request you to come to the relief of the situation at this instance, along with the handful will rob the country of its surest safe- tempt to manage such matters in the of the faithful few to whom I am writing, for I am writing only to a few of my special friends in the party.

Unless you prefer to remit by registered letter, please let your check or P. O. order be made payable to

I trust you will agree with us that your instance a reasonable amount to remit would be \$75. Confidentially and faithfully yours

JOHN G. CAPERS, Memb r Republican National Com-

(Amount assessed left blank in type written letter and filled in with

ORANGEBURG VOTES R R BONDS

City to Aid in Constructing Line to North.

Orangeburg, Act. 25 .- The election on the question of issuing twenty thousand dollars of municipal bonds in aid of the Orangeburg Railroad was held today with the following result: There were 147 votes cast, 125 of which were "for bonds," and 22 "against bonds." One hundred and sixty-eight voters were register-

ed, twenty-one failing to vote. Under an agreement between the city council and the promoters of the road, the bonds are "not to be delivered for sale to the railway company until the railroad commission of South Carolina receives such railroad from Orangeburg to North, for traffic, and the city be furnished an official certificate to this effect." The city is to receive an equal amount of railroad bonds, bearing the same rate of interest as the city bonds.

Under this agreement it cannot now be said when these city bonds will be issued, nor the rate of interest they will carry.

VANDERBILT ROW UNSETTLED.

Three Trustees Restrained from Participating in Board Meeting.

Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 25 .- Chancellor John Allison today granted restraining the wishes of the members of the Jackson and J. A. Robins from par- monthly. The only necessaries that ticipating in the meeting of the board it was deemed expedient to get at Mr. Tolbert, it will be remembered of trustees of Vanderbilt University. once were some ladders, to get a new national officer of a labor union that was elected chairman of the Repub- The purpose sought by those obtain- engineer for the fire engine and to the buildings of three local newspa- lican State executive committee at ing the order is for N. E. Harris, of place doors at the entrance to the pers whose pressmen are on strke the convention held on Assembly Georgia; A. B. Godbey, of Texas, and stairway in the building. will encounter destruction before the street September 26. He defeated Albert W. Biggs, of Memphis, rep- decided to lower the amount of inpublishers win, electrified the Den- for the chairmanship E. H. Deas, resenting the Methodist Episcopal surance from \$6.000 to \$4,000. colored, facetiously known as the Church, South, to take the places of was decided to do this as soon as the the men restrained.

of the Vanderbilt board of trustees, insurance reduced on the city hall In connection with Capt. Capers' tendered his resignation today, Judge property. It was decided to put

When you meet a drummer on the some other time.

MANY MATTERS DISCUSSED.

SION AND TRANSACT MUCH BUSINESS.

New Stables for Sumter, Sewerage completed. Contract Signed, Awnings Must Be The matter of the contracts for Put up Properly, Lights Put in the paving and sewerage work was Fire Chief.

and Booth. Absent, Alderman Rhame.

The first matter brought up was the building of new stables on Liberty street on the lot now vacant. Mr. Henry Harby, who was present session of the city clerk. Mr. Hurst of the last few days. Should such a petitioned that he be allowed to build the stables there with gable ends above the first story of wood covered over with tin or corrugated iron. He stated that he had seen insurance people and that the rate of insurance on adjoining property would not be increased thereby. He said that his reason for making these parts of the building of wood was that he might wish to convert the building into something other than stables after it had been there for some time and it would cost considerable to tear down and repair that part of the walls if they were of brick, as he must necessarily do if he should wish to convert the building into anything else later on. The matter was taken up during the regular course of business and was granted with the understanding that it does not increase the fire rate on neighboring property.

their reports. Major Lee for the Street Committee reported that Dugan street had been finished and that Superintendent of Streets had been busy for the past few days getting in the city hay crop.

He reported that in placing the the curbing up against the sill of the building. He said that Dr. Mood had objected to this on the ground that the city was encroaching on his property by the width of the base board which had been removed. It was shown in the discussion that followed that all that Dr. Mood wanted was for the city council to go on record as allowing him the title to the property. This was done in a motion to that effect which

The matter of a new railroad crossing on Hauser street was discussed, it being stated that the proposed new crossing was at a much better place than the old one had been. No positive action was taken in the matter at that time for various reasons. Mr. Epps was present on behalf of the Board of Health and stated that the board wanted something done about the billboards which were erected in various parts of the city. He stated that they had become a nuisance and he advised that the bottom boards be removed and that the boards be not allowed to meet at corners. It was decided to refer the matter to the police committee with power to act towards abating the nuisance.

Mr. Wright brought up the matter of awnings, many of which were breaking down in different parts of the city. It was decided to defer action until the next meeting, when council-had looked farther into the

The report of the fire committee was then read, as ordered by a previous meeting, stating the expenses of the hose companies and their methods of spending the \$220 ap-Robert F. propriated that was granted them time of the present payment was out. Bishop E. R. Hendricks, president Steps were also taken to have the the city hall paved with concrete, but it was decided to defer action to ho,

matter of making repairs on Harvin acres.

street where it was imperative that they be made at once. As it was deferred, it was decided that work should be commenced on Harvin street as soon as Dugan street was

Alley, R. E. Wilder Temporary then brought up, Maj. Lee stating that the contract with the Charleston Engineering and Contracting com-The City Council met at 8 o'clock pany had been almost completed in the City Hall and held another and would be signed in a few days. long session. Many matters were He stated that Mr. Berghaus had discussed and passed upon and many been in the city that day and that others were discussed and put off he thought that he would be present the manner in who for action at the next meeting of at council meeting to make some the stmup in the market on the council. Those present were: Mayor statement on behalf of his company. close of las Jennings, Aldermen Wright, Glenn, He then tried to get Mr. Berghaus news given McLaurin, McKeiver, Cuttino, Wilder over the phone, but failed. The matter was discussed for some time. As Mr. Berghaus had not signed the contract in the required time his certified check for \$500 had been cashed and warmer, just the sort of weather and the money was then in the posstated that Berghaus & Moffatt had map be seen the advantage will be drawn a draft on him for the amount with the bear side, unless the counof the check asking him to take it up, and at the same time he sent damage by frost. another certified check for the same amount, but he had taken no action see a general revision of crop estiin the matter. It was shown that mates as the result of the frost dam-Mr. Berghaus had taken unnecessarily long time in signing the contract, so it was decided to correspond with him and find out at once exactly bullish ideas will again swing to the what he intended to do. The matter was dropped at this point, until Mr. Berghaus appeared, which he did, as council was finishing up the routine work of the night. The matter was manipulation going on, remains to be then brought up again. Mr. Berghaus made his excuses for being so ter was settled by Mr. Berghaus signing the contract and stating that he once, taking in its place a certified check for \$500.

> Other matters brought up and acted upon were

curbing against Dr. Mood's store at Finn for the present from council ward reaction that for several weeks the corner of Dugan and Main streets was read. Mr. Finn had stated that has stood in the wife of a little that he had found the bottom board he was willing to teach two of the level of values in the future i ket. rotted away and that he had placed present members of the fire company to run the fire engine and it was devenience.

The resignation of Chief R. regrets and many thanks for past services.

in a building back of the Pickwick Hotel, into which he had moved since the fire. His request was granted.

Mr. Geo. D. Shore asked permisstreet lately injured by fire. His request was also granted.

The automobile dealers of the city asked that the license on automobile salesmen be lowered. It was decided to look into the matter and act on it at another meeting.

al poor perons to sell articles on the Rain would cause the shorts much street without paying the city li- anxiety, for there is an immense

Mr. Kennedy was allowed to pay taxes without additional penalty owing to a misunderstanding about the

A bill for the work of putting up fire escapes at the Washington street school was read and it was decided to ask the city school board to pay it.

A bill from H. W. Hood for work was read and it was decided to hold it up until it had been further investigated.

of all those in arrears in their payment for water rent. As it was shown perfectly able to pay the rent, it compared with 33,482 last year. was decided to request the water commission to rigidly enforce the rules, and if found necessary, it was deemed advisable to cut off the water Alabama..... 523,051 supply of all those who did not pay up promptly.

It was considerably past midnight Mississippi...... 354,361 when all work was through and council adjourned to meet on the second Tuesday night in November,

HEAVY LOSS BY FOREST FIRES, Florida.....

\$15,000,000 Damage Wrought by the Flames.

ests in Montana and Northern Ida-

NEW ORLEANS COTTON OPINION

LIVERPOOL'S ATTITUDE TO IN-FLUENCE MARKET'S OPEN-ING.

Clear and Warmer Weater Now Generally Expected-Such Conditions Would Work to Advantage of Bears, Unless Reports of Frost Damage Offset Effect-General Revision of Estimates Expected.

New Orleans, La., Oct. cotton market on the week will be influer only by With the cable deration, the weather over Sunday will be weighed. The majority of traders went home Saturday with the idea that the weather map Monday morning would be clear most desired after the cold weather try sends in too many reports of

It is probable that this week will age done last week. Bears, of course, will not be willing to reduce their estimates to any great extent, but very low figures that were in vogue some time ago. Whether low estimates will have much if any effect on the market, with powerful bear

On Tuesday the market will listen late, stating that he had not been to a report on ginning, which will awakened at the time designated to take the crop down to October 17. the clerk at the hotel, and the mat- The general idea is that this will be decidedly bearish because of the speed with which the Texas crop has would have the bond ready in a few been gathered. It is yet too early The various committees then made days. He asked that the draft he in the season for ginners' returns to had drawn on the city be honored make any lasting impression, aland it was decided to take it up at though, if the temper of the market is right Tuesday, bearish figures will call for redoubled efforts from the bear side. It is to be expected that the reactionists will increase their A letter of thanks from Capt. P. P. endeavors to bring about the down-

The bull side will watch very gerly the news from the yarn and cotcided to ask him to do so at his con- ton goods markets, for there were signs this last week that trades in this direction were decidedly better. Hood was read, and accepted with A good all-round demand for cotton goods would undoubtedly be the deciding factor in the situation and Ralph Hill asked permission to be would again turn the market over to allowed to cut doors and windows the buils. It was claimed this last week that mills were the best buyers in the market, for contracts, and the trading around the ring this week will be carefully followed by those who sion to repair a residence on Main are bullishly inclined, in the hope of discovering more of this sort of buy-

It will be much sort of a weather market. So far this fall picking has not been interrupted to any extent by unfavorable weather. Bulls at the end of the week were talking Permission was granted for sever- about rain following the cold wave. quantity of open cotton in the fields, especially in Texas, where the scarcity of pickers is being complained of very loudly.

COTTON GINNERS REPORT.

Overr One Hundred Thousand Short of Last Year.

Washington, Oct. 25 .- The census bureau reports 5,410,960 bales of cotton, counting round bales as half bales, ginned to October 18 from this The city clerk then read, as direct- year's growth, compared with 5,530,ed at a previous meeting, the names | 967 last year. Round bales included this year 65,105 bales, compared with 88,716 last year. Sea Island cotton that many of those on the list were this year amounted to 25,324 bales.

Cotton ginned by States follows: Georgia 914,565 South Carolina 513,512 Oklahoma.. 419,983 North Carolina 249,942 Arkansas..... 161,111 26,837 Sea Island cotton-Georgia, 14.-256; Florida, 9.861; South Carolina, 1,207.

The old Northeastern depot in Charleston was burned Tuesday night, casuing a loss of \$25,000.

An election will be held on the The total area burned voer in this formation of Jasper County, which Mr. McKiever then brought up the one district was put at 1,250,000 will include portons of Beaufort and Mampton counties.