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MINNESOTA FOR WILSON.

GOVERNOR ASSURED OF THAT STATE'S 24 DELEGATES.

Two Clark Delegates Elected But Will be Bound by Unit Rule—Other Districts Easily Won.

Duluth, Minn., May 29.—Woodrow Wilson was endorsed emphatically at the Democratic county conventions held in Minnesota today, and a solid Wilson delegation of 24 will be sent to Baltimore. Two Clark delegates were chosen in the St. Paul districts, but they will be bound for Wilson by the unit rule to be adopted at the State convention. In all the other districts the Wilson vote was overwhelming.

JAMES BEATEN IN KENTUCKY.

Senator-elect Falls in Contest for Control of Convention, Gov. McCreary's Forces Winning.

Louisville, Ky., May 29.—Gov. J. B. McCreary defeated United States Senator-elect Ollie James for temporary chairman of the Democratic State convention here this afternoon by swinging control of the re-organized State committee into the hands of the administration forces and making the election of Rufus H. Van Zandt, candidate for State chairman, certain.

With enough delegates pledged for Champ Clark to insure him a solid delegation of 26 votes from Kentucky to the national convention, interest in today's meeting centered in the factional struggle. Mr. James, whose name had been used as a rallying cry for the anti-administration forces, assumed personal charge of the fight on the floor and presented his own name for temporary chairman. All but two counties had voted before it was certain Gov. McCreary had a majority and then Mr. James, who had been leading the opposition which elected Gov. McCreary.

UREY WOODSON LOSES PLACE.

Falls to Gain Instructions for Re-election as National Committee, of Which He is Secretary.

Louisville, Ky., May 29.—Urey Woodson of Owensboro, Ky., member of the national Democratic committee for 15 years, and secretary of that body for several years, failed to gain the instructions of the State Democratic convention here tonight. His successor will be John C. C. Mayo.

DISTRICT DEMOCRATS SPLIT.

One Bolt Among Bolters Follows First Division—One Convention Instructs for Clark.

Washington, May 29.—District of Columbia Democrats split into three factions today as a result of attempts to hold a convention to name delegates to the Baltimore national convention. One convention, held in the appointed hall, after turbulent scenes, in which the police participated, elected 12 instructed Clark delegates to cast the six votes to which the district is entitled.

Bolters from the first convention accompanied by National Committeeman E. H. Newman, went to another hall, organized and elected another set of delegates, uninstructed. As a result of a disagreement between the factions in this convention, National Committeeman Newman again bolted, taking many delegates with him. The local Democratic chairman, J. Fred Kelly, refused to call the original convention or to issue credentials to any delegates.

SPEAKER WINS IN ARIZONA.

Clark Carries Primaries in New State by Large Majority Over Gov. Wilson.

Phoenix, Ariz., May 29.—Speaker Clark carried Arizona in today's Democratic presidential primary by a vote of at least 2 to 1 over Gov. Wilson, according to returns received early tonight.

MONTANA FOR CLARK.

State's Eight Delegates Instructed for Speaker.

Butte, Mont., May 29.—Montana Democrats in State convention here this afternoon unanimously adopted committee resolution endorsing the candidacy for president of Speaker Champ Clark, and instructed the eight delegates to vote for him.

They are to support him as long as the majority of the delegation believes

that he has a chance for the presidential nomination.

The platform endorsed the actions of the Democratic house on its legislative record, warmly commended the records of Speaker Clark, Gov. Edwin L. Norris and Senator Henry L. Myers, reaffirmed the Denver platform and referred to the struggle between Taft and Col. Roosevelt as a disgraceful episode.

UNDERWOOD MEN ELECTED.

Picked as Delegates to National Convention.

Jacksonville, Fla., May 28.—Returns from the second Democratic primary are still incomplete. Enough figures have been secured, however, to indicate that all of the Underwood delegates to the national convention have been elected, but it will be impossible to give names of the delegates until the official canvass. Indications are that Congressman Clark has been re-nominated as congressman from the Fifth district, and Claude L. Engle elected congressman at large by probably 5,000 majority.

TWO WILSON DELEGATES.

Fifth North Carolina District Gives Instructions.

Greensboro, N. C., May 29.—Delegates of the Fifth congressional district in session here tonight re-nominated Representative Chas. M. Stedman and elected as delegates to the Baltimore convention C. H. Hastings, Forsythe County; W. A. Graham, Granville, Alternates, Victor S. Bryant, Durham; J. F. Maynes, Surry. They are instructed for Woodrow Wilson.

COLONEL WILL NOT ATTEND.

Declares It's Practically Certain He Will Not Be Present at Chicago Gathering.

New York, May 29.—Col. Roosevelt left at 1:30 o'clock this morning for Gettysburg, Pa., to make two speeches there today, one at a luncheon and one at a gathering of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers on the battlefield of Gettysburg. As he was about to board his train, Col. Roosevelt was asked whether he would attend the convention at Chicago.

"I did not expect to go," he said, "I can not imagine anything that would cause me to go. It's a thousand to one that I won't."

LAFOLLETTE WONT RETIRE.

Senator Announces He Will be in Race for Republican Nomination Till Last Ballot.

LaCrosse, Wis., May 29.—Senator LaFollette here today reiterated emphatically that he would remain in the race for the Republican presidential nomination on every ballot taken. "I deem this course necessary to the integrity of the progressive movement," he said. "The conditions complained of grew under both Roosevelt and Taft. Those who are satisfied should vote for one or the other of these men. Those who wish a change can not conscientiously support either."

MEETS NEXT YEAR IN AIKEN.

Officers Elected by Grand Lodge Knights of Pythias.

Spartanburg, May 29.—At the meeting of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias, held here today, it was decided to hold the next annual meeting at Aiken. The following officers were elected:

Frank S. Evans, of Greenwood, Grand Chancellor; George W. Dick, of Sumter, Grand Vice Chancellor; H. K. Osborne, of Spartanburg, Grand Prelate; C. D. Brown, of Abbeville, Grand Keeper of Records and Seals; Wilson G. Harvey, of Charleston, Grand Master of Exchequer; J. M. Oliver, of Orangeburg, Grand Master-at-Arms; Perry W. Price, of Barnwell, Grand Inner Guard, and E. R. Cox, of Darlington, Grand Outer Guard.

The next matter for consideration was the fight for and against the publication of the South Carolina Pythian. This was a long drawn out battle, and after the smoke cleared away the vote for the continuation of the publication greatly outnumbered those who were opposed to it.

Mr. C. E. Sanders, of Hagood, was in the city Wednesday.

MANY HEAR DECLAIMERS.

DECLAMATIONS PROBABLY THE BEST WHICH HAVE EVER BEEN DELIVERED BY A GRADUATING CLASS.

Moultre DeLorme Won Competitive Drill—City National Bank Prize Went to Miss Florence Shaw and George Bultman—Strauss Medals Won by John Moore and Miss Julia Reynolds—Other Features of Commencement.

Wednesday night marked the first of the annual closing exercises of the Sumter high schools. The exercises were well attended as is usually the case and were very interesting all the way through. The drilling was of a high order and the declamations were probably the best, as a whole, which any graduating class has ever delivered.

The rain in the afternoon had cleared the atmosphere of dust and had cooled the atmosphere which no doubt added materially to the number in attendance upon the exercises, although there were signs of rain at the time to go to the Academy in which as usual the closing exercises were held. The building was filled, though not packed by an interested crowd, whose interest was retained until the completion of the last number on the program. The exercises were commenced promptly at 8 o'clock when the curtain ascended and the Rev. D. M. McLeod invoked the divine blessing.

The pupils of the high school were seated on the stage, the members of the graduating class of girls being seated in a semi-circle at the front with the boys seated immediately behind them. The class of graduates is a large one, though not so large as last year, which was the banner class of the high school for all time up to now, there being twenty-two girls and seventeen boys comprising it. All of the young ladies wore their prettiest pink or blue dresses, as the case might be, and presented a very beautiful spectacle, grouped as they were where all could be in plain view of the audience. As is usually the case on the first night of commencement, the exercises were for the major part in the hands of the boys, although it is safe to say that the girls attracted their full share of attention.

Following the opening of the exercises with prayer, the three picked men from the battalion—men who had been selected at a previous preliminary competitive drill—were lined up on the stage and drilled in the manual of arms and facings for the greater part of twenty minutes. In this picked squad were Messrs. Robert Dougherty, Moultrie DeLorme and Roger Siddall. It was only by taking into account the smallest inaccuracies that the judges, Messrs. Robbie Brown, Perry Brown and E. O. Cantey, were able to come to any decision. Moultrie DeLorme was the fortunate one selected as the best drilled man in the battalion and to him was presented the medal which is annually the reward of the member of the high school companies who wins out over his competitors. The medal was presented by Mr. Neill O'Donnell who stated in a few words that all of the people of Sumter were extremely proud of their schools and what their schools had done and of the military feature in the schools. He hoped that the winner would never be called on to serve his country in war, but if he was called on he hoped he would serve with the same fidelity as he had served his school.

Next the medals offered by the City National Bank for the two best advertisements for the savings department of the bank were awarded by Mr. R. I. Manning. One of these medals was offered to a boy and one to a girl of the graduating class. Miss Florence Shaw was the winner of one medal and Mr. George Bultman won the other. Mr. Manning in presenting the two medals made a short talk concerning the necessity of saving. He mentioned the fact that the increased cost of living was due to extravagance, not only in this community, but all over the country. He called attention to the fact that it was by advertising that the people were reached and the necessity of effective advertising. He stated that the truth must be told in advertising to make it most effective, as the truth was always most effective.

Dr. J. A. Mood in a few pleasant remarks made the presentation of the Strauss medals for best compositions in the "ready writing contest." He stated that the subject of the com-

THE "AD." CLUB MEETING.

THINGS SEEN AND DONE BY VISITORS TO LONE STAR STATE.

Secretary Snell Tells of the Great Convention of Advertising Men of America and England Recently Held at Dallas—South Carolina Well Represented.

"Texas is a great State and does things in a large way," said Mr. Snell, speaking of the recent advertising convention at Dallas. The greatest advertising experts of the United States, Canada and England were gathered at this convention and they were royally entertained by Texas and the large cities of Texas. Dallas alone spent \$100,000 in entertainment. The great automobile parade contained 1,700 autos and came up the main business street four abreast. A luncheon was given at the Dallas Country Club to the 3,000 delegates. The reception and ball given in honor of President Coleman was a special feature. Over 5,000 people were present and the decorations were elaborate.

The convention by no means was all entertainment. While the real sessions of the convention opened on Monday, Sunday was made a special day. Advertising men spoke from nearly every pulpit in the city Sunday morning. Sunday afternoon President Coleman addressed a great mass meeting on the work of the Ford Hall meetings in Boston, where every creed and religious and non-religious denomination was gathered to listen to some famous speaker who may have some particular message. Sunday evening Dr. M. Ashley Jones of Augusta sounded the key note of the convention in a plea for a higher moral tone in all advertising. Boston last year, raised the standard of honesty in advertising, while the Dallas convention set up the standard of efficiency.

No State in the Union received more advertising out of the Dallas convention than South Carolina with the single exception of Texas. The larger cities of the State were all represented and they pulled together in advertising the State. While the other delegations were talking of their own cities, the delegations from this State were boosting the opportunities offered in South Carolina. Charleston sent her Meistersingers and they were a special feature. The next convention will be held in Baltimore and it was determined by the representatives of the State that a special South Carolina train should be sent to Baltimore. Every Ad Club

position this year had been: "My Ideas of What a Home Should Be" and the time was seventy minutes. Miss Julia Reynolds and John B. Moore were the winners of these two prizes.

Following came the declamations. There were eight contestants picked from the class in a preliminary contest several months ago. These contestants for the Rhame Declaimers' medal which is offered annually by Mr. W. F. Rhame to the best declaimer of the graduating class. All of the declamations were extremely well chosen, being decidedly the best, as a whole, which have been delivered by any graduating class, and all were delivered in an excellent manner. In fact it was hard for the hearers to decide upon which ones were better than others, and it is probable that the judges also had a hard time in coming to their conclusion, even though they put down on paper the record of each orator. The decision will be announced and the medal will be presented tonight during the exercises.

Interspersed with the other numbers of the programme music was furnished by the Sumter Band, one of the new, but efficient organizations of the city. The band was heartily applauded by the audience and helped to a great extent to make the evening interesting and pleasant. The declaimers and their declamations were as follows: The Wild Olive Wreath—Roger Siddall. Robert E. Lee—Robert Lee Dougherty. America's Mission—Allen Brown. Spartacus to the Roman Emperors—Moultrie DeLorme. The Polish Boy—Edward Wright. Found Gully of High Treason—John Moore. The March of Mind—Robert Reaves. Regulus to the Carthaginians—Wilson Spann.

in the State is to be strengthened and enlarged. During the winter monthly meetings will be held and the educational course furnished by the National association is to be taken up and studied in order that each city may understand advertising better. Millions of dollars have been wasted in useless advertising. Every city and town has just so much money to spend in advertising as represented by its business houses. The city that secures the most for this money in direct returns from direct advertising is the city that will do the most business and prosper. Sumter has accomplished a great deal along this line during the past year. Her merchants have combined to cut out all frauds and fakes. They have ruled out all program, booklet, special cards and wasteful advertising of this nature and are determined to get results for the money they spend. The study of the best form of writing advertisements which will appeal and convince the prospective customer will be taken up through the Sumter Ad Club. Sumter will not and should not be behind her sister cities in this respect.

After the Dallas convention, a thousand miles was taken through Texas in four special trains. Fort Worth, Waco, San Antonio, Galveston and Houston were visited. The delegates were royally entertained at these cities. Texas certainly "did herself proud" and there were many lessons to be learned by the visitors that could be taken home. Her farms, farm buildings, splendid highways, which were built entirely by county bond issues, and general air of prosperity were a constant source of surprise to the visitors. The Texas people are proud of their cities and they may well be. All of the cities are thoroughly paved. The streets show care with beautiful well kept lawns, and the absence of high board fences is especially noticeable. Nearly all these cities have the commission form of government and they advertise that fact in their literature as an inducement for settlers and investors and they are proud of their city governments.

It was a great convention and Baltimore will have to go some to equal it.

SHOWER FOR BRIDE-ELECT.

Miss Claudia Fraser Entertains in Honor of Miss Hallie Jones.

A social event of interest to a great many people in this city was the miscellaneous shower given Tuesday afternoon by Miss Claudia Fraser at her home on North Main street in honor of Miss Hallie Jones, whose marriage to Mr. Yates Yeadon is announced for June 6th.

The parlor, where the guests were received, was beautifully decorated with green and white cut flowers as if for a wedding, and the heart-shaped score cards on which gold hearts marked the scores helped to carry out this scheme of decoration. Heart dice was the game of the afternoon and a pleasant half hour was spent in this amusement. Afterwards the guests were requested to write their wishes for the bride-to-be. These wishes were read aloud before they were presented to the guest of honor. Gilded wish bones were presented as favors to each of the guests. On that presented to the bride-elect were a pair of beauty pins, which she was asked to keep as a souvenir of the occasion.

After an ice course had been served, the guests were asked into the dining room which was also tastefully decorated. The lights were covered over with pink, and a shower of pink malene ribbon and sweet peas was suspended from the chandelier producing a softening and beautiful effect. On the table underneath cupid's were seen playing hide and seek among the foliage and on top of a large cake, which graced the center of the table, Cupid sat enthroned. The bride-to-be was called upon to cut the cake, which she did in dainty manner, and which she found to be filled with many beautiful presents.

The material for the 60x10 foot gas tank arrived in the city Monday morning and that afternoon was being hauled down to the plant building and arranged so that the tank can be erected in the near future. The sidetrack has not yet been put in by the Coast Line and it is probable that the engine and boiler will not be shipped until the sidetrack is completed.

SHOT ENEMY FIVE TIMES.

SENSATIONAL KILLING IN COLUMBIA LAST NIGHT.

C. W. Spence Shoots Robert L. O'Pry and Now Faces Charge of Murder. Inquest Held Today.

Columbia, May 30.—Curtis W. Spence, an employee of the street railway company at the substation on Assembly street, pumped five bullets into Robert L. O'Pry, an insurance collector, last night and then told the officers who arrived later that he did the shooting. The whole affair was over in a few seconds and those who heard the shot gathered to look at the dead body of O'Pry after Spence had been taken to the police station by the officers who sent in the call and the duty at the station who heard the shot, just one block away. Do not trouble are said to be the cause of the shooting, according to the report of a friend of O'Pry, Ernest Davis, who knew the men and had both been put under peace bond by Recorder Verner is a part of the record, as is the fact that O'Pry and his wife were separated.

The shooting occurred about 8.30 o'clock on west Lady street, near the office of the Southern Express company, about a half block from Main street. According to the testimony of witnesses secured by the police and by Coroner Walker, three shots were fired in rapid succession and then two more, the shooting being done with a Colt .38 calibre pistol. The first shots were so quick that Ernest Wix, who was in the express office at the time, and rushed out, saw O'Pry fall, heard him cry out and saw Spence fire several times afterwards, at the same time warning others to keep away. Thos. Norton of the city board of health force and Officer Irby saw the scene immediately. Spence was marked to Norton: "I did it, that knife by his side and see one gets it." Wix says he continued to stand by O'Pry until he was emptied. Spence was carried to the station at once and O'Pry's body was removed to McCormick's undertaking establishment later. The investigation started at once.

The police and coroner learned that O'Pry and Spence had been placed under peace bond by Recorder Verner after a fight between the two. Since then, according to the police, the two have not met, but O'Pry, who is an insurance collector, left the city for several weeks and on his return shadowed his house. Last night the two met and the living witness to the conversation that took place between the two is Spence, who is in the city jail, the charge of murder being entered on the docket against him. There was a bunch of keys in the hands of the dead man and a small pocket knife at his side.

Coroner Walker said last night that he would hold the inquest some time today, and examine a number of witnesses who arrived after the shooting occurred. These include W. W. Bailey, who says that Spence told him to stand back, after the shooting took place. Thos. Norton, who assisted in the arrest of Spence; Dr. S. J. Peake of Cross Hill, who saw the shooting from his chair near the corridor of the Jerome hotel. Ernest Wix, and several others.

At the city jail last night Spence asked Coroner Walker if O'Pry was dead. He had no statement to make. Very little is known of either except that Spence has been employed by the street railway company for some time and O'Pry has been with an insurance concern. The men are each about 35 years of age. Spence is unmarried, according to Coroner Walker.

FOR PEACE CELEBRATION.

Senate Appropriates \$150,000 for Gettysburg Jubilee.

Washington, May 29.—The senate today passed unanimously the bill appropriating \$150,000 for the government's participation in the peace jubilee at Gettysburg in 1913, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the battle.

The house is expected to promptly pass the senate resolution, so that the work under the war department's direction may begin without delay.

The work on the store adjacent to the McCullum Realty company building is going ahead now, as is that on the foundation for the new buildings on the corner of Liberty and Sumter Streets.