

SITUATION IN COLUMBIA.

PROPOSITION BY STREET RAILWAY COMPANY CONSIDERED BY MEN.

Refused to Recognize Contract With Amalgamated Association — Statement by Cannon.

Columbia, Oct. 18.—There has been no change in the street car situation. Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock a committee of five motormen and conductors met with Alfred Wallace, superintendent, and William Elliott, vice president, of the street railway company. The officers of the company inquired if the employes had any grievances, as they did at the meeting last Saturday night.

It was rumored that there was dissatisfaction in regard to the method of counting the money when turned in at night, and the committee was asked if there was any complaint on that account. The committee stated that there was nothing in the rumor and that the method of receiving and counting the money through a cashier at night was satisfactory.

The committee representing the employes suggested that the method of appointing motormen and conductors to their runs be modified, so that the men could choose the lines on which to work according to their length of service with the company.

The officers of the company agreed to the change.

The committee proposed that inspectors should immediately notify motormen and conductors of any violation of rules. The impracticability of this change was discussed, and it was agreed that the inspectors should notify the employes as soon as practicable, but not later than the return trip to the transfer station. This modification was satisfactory to both the committee and the company.

The representatives of the company stated that they understood that an increase of pay was desired and asked what increase the committee thought would be right. The committee said that they considered that an increase of two cents per hour per man should be made.

The company's representatives stated that the company would make an agreement with the motormen and conductors for the increase of two cents per hour to begin on January 1 next and prevail for two years from that date.

The committee of employes said that the terms were satisfactory but insisted that the agreement should be made with the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America and that the agreement submitted in writing to the company some time since should be signed providing for arbitration of all matters that may arise in the future and that no employe shall be discharged without the approval of the officers of the Amalgamated Association, and in case of disagreement providing for arbitration.

The representatives of the company stated that the company would sign an agreement with the motormen and conductors covering the matters agreed upon at the meeting but would not sign an agreement with the Amalgamated Association, and would not sign the written agreement sent the company by the Amalgamated association.

The committee asked for a statement from the company as to its attitude in regard to the employes maintaining their organization. The position of the company, outlined by the officers, was now, as it has been for many years, that the company did not oppose the organization of the motormen and conductors and did not oppose the maintenance of the organization and would not discriminate against or in favor of members of an organization, nor would it discriminate against or in favor of those not in the organization, and that the officers of the company were ready at all times to meet the employes in a body or through committees for discussion and agreement regarding grievances and all matters concerning their employment.

The street railway company was notified Wednesday night that the motormen and conductors were not willing to settle the matter on the basis above outlined. A conference was held last night, but nothing was given out.

It is not known what action the motormen and conductors will take. The following statement was given out last night by the representatives of the street car men:

"After a conference between the officials of the local railway company and the committee representing the employes which was held late last night it was announced that the prospects for an amicable agreement were much brighter than at any time heretofore. While nothing definite has been given out it is known that a further conference will be held this morning, at which time it is expected a settlement of the differences will be reached. Concessions have been made on both sides. It is altogether likely that the company's offer of a two-cents an hour raise will be accepted.

WILSON TALKS TARIFF ISSUE.

IN RAIN, ON TRAIN, AT BANQUET CANDIDATE SPEAKS.

Again Democratic Nominee Refrains From Discussing Progressives—At Pittsburgh, He Predicts that Forces of Reform Will Control Both Houses of Congress.

Pittsburgh, Oct. 18.—Wet weather campaigning brought Governor Woodrow Wilson a series of merry incidents today as he travelled through West Virginia and Western Pennsylvania. Only at Pittsburgh tonight did he speak indoors, but throughout the day the Democratic Presidential nominee faced a fabric of umbrellas underneath which stood a multitude of enthusiastic people.

"I don't want to keep you standing in the rain," said the Governor at Wheeling, as he began to abridge his speech.

"No, no; go on," urged the crowd. "Perhaps I had better make my speech as dry as possible then to counteract the effect of the rain," suggested the nominee.

The Governor had to make his way through a jail at Clarksburg, W. Va. to reach the speaking stand.

"I have been paid a splendid compliment," he told the crowd. "I have appeared to you by way of the jail, but I escaped incarceration; I think some of my friends had a writ of habeas corpus which enabled me to be here."

The Governor found a big turnout everywhere, notwithstanding the drizzle of rain, which fell most of the day. He pleaded to the local committeemen not to insert any more speeches than were originally scheduled, but was only partly successful. The nominee appeared on the platform at all stops, however, and chatted and shook hands with those in the crowd nearest him. Once a white-haired, bent old man made his way with difficulty to the end of the car and attempted to talk to the Governor, above the uproar of cheering. The nominee took the outstretched hand and bent his head close to hear.

"Governor, I'm 83 years old," said the man, "and I've waited all these years for you."

The Governor said tonight he was very much touched by the sentiment. "It's one of the deepest compliments that has ever been paid me," he remarked.

At Wheeling the nominee was loudly applauded when he said he would not discuss the third party and that Roosevelt was in the hospital. The Governor was saying "that there was a corner on prosperity in the country," and that he had "a very definite notion as to how the whole population of the United States should have access to its own prosperity."

He began to discuss the trusts and monopolies then, but stopped short. "I am a little hampered," he said. "In discussing this part of the question, because I have denied myself the privilege at present of discussing anything that concerns the third party. As long as Mr. Roosevelt is confined to the hospital in Chicago, I shall have nothing to say about the third party. But I want to say this about the Democratic party's programme: The thing that has created the trusts, that has created the monopoly, is unregulated, unfair competition. If we can only bring it about that new comers shall have a free field then we can take care of the gentlemen in the trusts, because then the most intelligent competitor will get the market, and the little man can grow big, instead of making himself big by the legislation of Congress and by special favors from the Government. We can do that by having Federal law thread all this system of ours with statutes which shall make it criminal to do what these gentlemen did to build up their monopolies, and which will see to it that the men who did commit the offence have time to think it over in some building from which they will not for some time come out. Nothing would stop this thing like a period of contemplation; nothing would stop it so clearly as to give these gentlemen time to realize what they have been doing, for many of them are honest and have not really thought it over. I want to give them the leisure and the seclusion to think it over, but I am not afraid that it would not be stopped."

"I am not afraid that the penitentiaries will be crowded as soon as the law takes hold of the thing and men are behind the bars, and want to injure nobody in particular, and to administer justice to everybody, when special favors will be withdrawn, and there will be another face in America."

Secretary A. V. Snell, of the Chamber of Commerce, went to Oram Thursday afternoon to attend the annual meeting and banquet of the Chamber of Commerce of that city that night. Mr. Snell was one of the speakers at the banquet.

COMMITTEE NAMES PEEPLES.

ACTION TAKEN AT MEETING HELD IN COLUMBIA FRIDAY.

Body Refuses to Take Any Action as to Expense Account Filed. Elector at Large.

Columbia, Oct. 19.—The State executive committee met in the library at the State house at noon yesterday, and, after canvassing the returns, declared Thos. H. Peeples of Barnwell to be the nominee of the Democratic party for attorney general. The following is the total official vote for 39 counties, five counties having failed to make report:

Peeples... 28,449
Lyon... 22,407

The committee refused to reopen the contest against the nomination of Senator Tillman which was brought by N. B. Nial and W. Jasper Talbert, the opposing candidates, on the grounds that he had not properly filed his expense account. Mr. Dial appeared before the committee and asked that the matter be reopened. It was brought out that the committee had already considered the merits of the case and had dismissed the petition at a meeting, held several weeks ago. Mr. Dial explained to the committee that he had not been notified, personally, of the meeting of the committee when the contest was considered and that he thought that the contest had been dismissed because of a lack of prosecution.

John N. Drake of Marlboro was named as a presidential elector at large to take the place of Dr. E. C. Doyle of Oconee, who was disqualified because of a position of trust. On motion of John J. McMahan, the secretary of the committee, was instructed to inform the presidential electors of the requirements.

Acting upon the motion of Willie Jones, the treasurer of the party, Christie Benet, the secretary, was voted an addition \$100 for his services because of the extra work of the year. Mr. Benet has had a large amount of clerical work to perform.

The following is the official vote as tabulated by the committee:

Counties.	Lyon.	Peeples.
Abbeville...	498	850
Aiken...	441	823
Anderson...	1,250	1,912
Bamberg...	212	292
Barnwell...	369	859
Beaufort...	...	...
Berkeley...	175	161
Calhoun...	258	212
Charleston...	854	839
Cherokee...	408	394
Chick...	814	888
Chesterfield...	465	480
Clarendon...	442	691
Colleton...	667	1,196
Darlington...	687	452
Dillon...	...	...
Dorchester...	218	487
Edgefield...	569	248
Fairfield...	375	334
Florence...	819	868
Georgetown...	345	281
Greenville...	...	...
Greenwood...	983	934
Hampton...	249	283
Horry...	355	241
Jasper...	149	297
Kershaw...	...	...
Laurens...	831	1,148
Lee...	297	498
Lexington...	560	903
Marion...	467	305
Marlboro...	682	521
Newberry...	1,150	1,262
Oconee...	...	...
Orangeburg...	955	987
Pickens...	455	560
Richland...	1,111	1,397
Saluda...	290	385
Spartanburg...	1,791	2,421
Sumter...	611	556
Union...	696	671
Williamsburg...	369	831
York...	744	831
Total...	22,407	28,449

Charles C. Thames, Manning Times.

Died at his home last Saturday morning Mr. Charles C. Thames, Postmaster at Silver, aged about 82 years of age. The funeral services was conducted Sunday afternoon in the Manning cemetery by Rev. P. B. Wells. The deceased was a Confederate soldier, a good citizen and a man who until recently was remarkably active. He had many friends all over the county.

Timmonsville has a committee at work securing the rights of way for the South Carolina Western from Lydia to Timmonsville. Two routes have been surveyed—one by way of Lamar, the other by way of Oats—and the route that is cheapest will be selected, as Timmonsville will have to provide the rights of way. It is said that a large majority of the land owners will give the rights of

AIDS DEMOCRACY.

STATE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE CONTRIBUTES \$250 TO WILSON FUND.

John Gary Evans Urges People to Give Toward the Cause—Wilson Day, November 2.

Columbia, Oct. 19.—The State Democratic executive committee decided yesterday to contribute \$250 to the campaign fund of Woodrow Wilson. The appropriation was made upon the suggestion of Senator John Clifton, acting member of the committee from Sumter County. The money will be given out of the unexpended balance of the fund of the party, which is estimated at about \$1,000.

John Gary Evans, the State chairman, pointed out to the members of the committee that the national executive committee is in sore need of funds and that every dollar possible must be collected at an early date. He said that it would not be too much to ask each Democrat in the State to contribute 50 cents to the cause. He urged every member of the committee to go home and present the needs of the party to the people and to request the president of every Democratic club in the State to assist in the collection of funds. Chairman Evans pointed out that there will be three electoral tickets in the field and that it was the duty of every Democrat to vote in the general election.

Chairman Evans stated that November 2 had been appointed as "Wilson day" throughout the United States when a personal message will be read to every club meeting from Woodrow Wilson. He urged upon the members of the committee to ask the county chairmen to call the Democratic clubs to meet on that day for a final Wilson boost.

Miss Anna Paul, the young lady who acted as directress of the Sumter County Fair, and her sister, Miss Katherine Paul, left Friday morning for Darlington.



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Cash on hand and in banks...	64,161.64	Deposits...	417,541.94
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