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WAR SHIPS FOR MANILA

President Orders Immediate Despatch of Fighting Boats.

INTERVIEW WITH DEWEY

At Its Conclusion Mr. McKinley Orders That Several Battleships Be Sent to the Front...

Washington, Oct. 4.—The president today directed the immediate despatch to the Philippines of a number of vessels of the navy...

Manila, Oct. 4.—Several hundred insurgents have re-occupied Pinar, which was captured by General McArthur on Sept. 28...

The insurgent forces are also reported moving toward Mexico, south-east of Angeles.

The object of the double movement is apparently to get behind the American garrison both sides of the Manila-Dagupan railway.

Reconnoissances from Mexico by the Fourth cavalry toward Santa Ana, northeast of Mexico and toward Arayat, due north of Santa Ana, developed the fact that the insurgents are in position at both points.

Skirmish at Santa Ana. An American private was killed in the skirmish at Santa Ana.

The Arayat party learned that Scott and Edwards, of the Twenty-fifth infantry, who are missing, are prisoners at Magalaya (Magalana).

The insurgents yesterday made two attacks on Calambay, in which the commanding officer reports sixty Filipinos killed and many wounded.

Two companies of the Twenty-first regiment repelled each attack, losing two men killed and seven wounded.

While four sailors of the United States cruiser Baltimore were entering the Bacoor river in a boat yesterday after the light, they received a volley, wounding three.

It is understood that the volley came from United States soldiers who, having been ordered to prevent the passing of boats, fired by mistake upon the Baltimore.

Mr. Admiral Watson announces the recovery of the United States gunboat Urdaneta, which was captured and beached by the insurgents near Orania, on the Oron river, where she had been blockading.

The expedition was entirely successful, the Americans suffering no casualties.

IRON BOOM CONTINUES.

The Plane of Next Year's Business and Prices Fixed.

Pittsburg, Oct. 4.—The American Manufacturers' association at Cleveland yesterday in its way fixed the plane of next year's business and next year's prices.

The association fixed the rate on bessemer pig iron for all new business at \$22.50, at 100, which is 25 cents per ton higher than the quotations for this week, and fixed a rate of \$24.25 at Pittsburg.

As this figure covers the second six months of 1900, with the first half of the year fully paid at \$22.50, it is not hard to see that unless the unexpected happens in due season next year will be the big year in the iron and steel and allied industry.

COXEY SCHEME IN FRANCE.

Striking Miners Propose to March in a Body to Paris.

Liege, France, Oct. 4.—The project of the striking miners to march in a body to Paris unless their demands are conceded, which collapsed some days ago, was revived today, and a committee is considering committal arguments for the first day's tramp.

The committee advises children to join in the march which is timed to begin on Friday unless the demands are settled meantime. A representative of the government is here endeavoring to mediate between the strikers and their employer, M. Schneider, and it is hoped that a settlement will soon be reached.

Steamship Arrivals. New York, Oct. 4.—Cleared: Toronto, Liverpool, Aqueduct, Victoria, Hamburg via Cherbourg and Southampton. Sailed: Deutschland, Hamburg; Bovio, Liverpool; New York, Southampton; Friesland, Antwerp; Teutonic, Liverpool; Bologna, Rotterdam; Sparsdrum, New York for Rotterdam. Queenstown—Arrived: Aurania, New York, Southampton; Sailed: Trave, Bremen for New York; Arrived: Santa, New York for Bremen; St. Paul, New York.

Major Davis Transferred. Chicago, Oct. 4.—Major Geo. B. Davis has been relieved as chief commissary of subsistence of the department of the lakes and ordered to report for duty in Washington. Major W. L. Alexander will succeed Major Davis.

BUCKNELL SURPRISED THEM.

The Lewisburg Featherweights Put Up a Lively Game Against U. P.

Philadelphia, Oct. 4.—The Bucknell University football eleven came to this city today from Lewisburg, Pa., to play the University of Pennsylvania team and started the football world by twice scoring on the Quakers. The Quakers' score was 47. The kicking of Mathewson, fullback for Bucknell, was the finest seen here in a long time.

It was through his good right foot that his team scored twice, as the ten points were made by him kicking two goals from the field. His long punts almost rivaled those of Brooke, Penn's famous fullback and his goal kicking was not unlike that of Yale's one-time star, Billy Bull.

Both of Mathewson's goals were the result of penalties administered to Pennsylvania. Bucknell in the first instance was given the ball in front of their own goal for interference by the Quakers, and Mathewson put it over easily from the 25 yard line. The second one was made on Bucknell again being given the ball on their 30 yard line for offside playing by Pennsylvania and the Bucknell fullback again dropped it over. Pennsylvania protested against the penalty shown by G. W. Hoskins, of State college, who acted as umpire and who by the way is Bucknell's coach. This resulted in Pennsylvania reversing the officials for the second half, an unusual proceeding.

Hoskins acting as referee in the latter half and Mindy of Pennsylvania as referee in the former. Penn's protest, however, did not detract from the brilliant work of Mathewson.

Pennsylvania played a miserable game in the first half. The men constantly fumbled and the defense was inferior to that of the Quakers. In the second half, however, as a result of Coach Woodruff's strong talk the men played a remarkably fast game, piling up 29 points in 20 minutes. In this half Bucknell was outclassed and Pennsylvania scored almost at will.

CUP RACERS BUSY.

Preparing for the Second Trial of Columbia and Shamrock—The Owners Talk.

New York, Oct. 4.—The day was a busy one for the sailormen on the two cup racers.

The Columbia went for a short trial spin outside Sandy Hook shortly after noon, principally to try a new club top sail, which her managing officer, Mr. Iselin, wished to have stretched and ready for tomorrow's race.

The Shamrock and all the yacht left her moorings and under the influence of a fresh southwest breeze she was soon passing the point off Sandy Hook. After setting out on the sheet and tack several times to get the sail well stretched the Columbia returned to her mooring buoy in Sandy Hook bay.

C. Oliver Iselin said this afternoon: "I am satisfied with Columbia's work during yesterday's race, but not with the weather conditions. None of us could tell where the wind was coming from, not even the sailing master. In all yachting I don't remember when I saw a flukier day than yesterday. With all that, however, we had overhauled the Shamrock for the third time when the race was declared off."

Asked what he thought the weather would be for tomorrow's race, Mr. Iselin said: "I think we shall have a good breeze from the southwest. I hope so, anyway, for I should like to get one race off my hands and know where next year's will be."

Skipper Charlie Barr is not worried a bit about the result of the races. He sticks to his original assertion that the Columbia is the fastest single stick yacht afloat and that in windward or any other work she is more than a match for the Shamrock.

Sir Thomas Lipton is not worrying over tomorrow's race. On the contrary he said today on the Erin he felt confident that his craft would give account of herself no matter what kind a breeze there is. He wants a good fresh breeze, however, so that the relative speed of the defender and the challenger can be thoroughly demonstrated.

The members of the Shamrock's crew are quite confident that she will prove a winner and some of them are ready to lay a few guineas if they get the chance. Sir Thomas received hundreds of cablegrams today from all parts of the world, congratulating him on the splendid showing his boat made in the light air against the defender. "Some of the cables," said Sir Thomas, "are from people I do not know personally, but that only goes to show what a great interest is being taken in these races. One of them read thus: 'Tommy, don't make room for your tuncs.'"

The indications at Galilee, N. J., tonight are that the wind for tomorrow's yacht race will be from the southwest in the morning, veering to south, with indications of going into the southeast by noon. There will be quite a head sea.

STRIKE AT CRAMPS.

An Impostor Attempts to Extort Money from Strikers.

Philadelphia, Oct. 4.—There were no developments today in the strike of the various trades at Cramps shipyard. An old trick to extort money from the strikers was attempted today but failed. A man who said he had brought sixty men from New York to work at Cramps' place went to the strikers' headquarters and claimed that he had persuaded the men not to go to work. He said he had them in a down town saloon and that he wanted money to buy them food. The strike leaders investigated the matter and found the man to be an impostor.

Several hundred boiler-makers, riveters and cutlery left today for New York and Newport News, where they will work in shipyards.

FOOT BALL RESULTS.

At New Haven—Yale, 46; Trinity, 6. At Cambridge, Mass.—Harvard, 11; Rowdoin, 6. At Chicago—University of Chicago, 23; Notre Dame university, 6. Lafayette, 13; Yale, 6.

Horses for the Philippines.

San Francisco, Oct. 4.—The government transport Prince Albert left Dutch Harbor for Manila with a cargo of horses on September 13.

BARNETT OPENS THE CAMPAIGN

THE MANILA HERO ADDRESSES STATE REPUBLICAN CLUBS.

Governor Stone and Others Also Make Speeches at the Harrisburg Meeting—The Platform Re-affirms the Republican League's Allegiance to President McKinley—Next Meeting to Be Held in Philadelphia.

Harrisburg, Oct. 4.—Colonel James E. Barnett, Republican nominee for state treasurer, formally opened his campaign with a speech at today's convention of the State League of Republican clubs. Speeches were also made by Governor Stone and others.

The convention was held in the Harrisburg opera house and was attended by 200 delegates representing clubs at Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Lancaster and other large cities. A platform was adopted endorsing the war policy of President McKinley, reaffirming the league's allegiance to his principles and pledging its support to the state ticket.

A resolution was also adopted urging the repeal by congress of the civil service laws. Philadelphia was unanimously selected as the next place of meeting.

J. Hampton Moore, of Philadelphia, was elected president by acclamation to succeed Arch Mackrell, of Pittsburg. Mr. Moore announced the appointment of John Kelly, of Philadelphia, a corresponding secretary. These officers were also elected.

Vice-presidents, John H. Wiggins, of Philadelphia; Henry Zimmerman, Erie; J. D. Little, William Delib, A. C. Robertson, Pittsburg; F. P. Reimann, Williamsport; Milton W. Lowry, Scranton. Reading secretary, George Llewellyn, Wilkes-Barre; treasurer, Jere H. Shaw, of Philadelphia; delegates-at-large, Thomas J. Fowles, James F. McLaughlin, William Wundert, James Wildemar, Charles A. Gillingham, Philadelphia; John F. Cox, William German, John A. Mead, Harvey A. Lowrey, Altoona; T. J. Cullen, Milton, Williamsport; Isadore Sobel, Erie; Sol Bachrach, Wilkes-Barre; alternates at large, Murdoch Kendrick, George McClellan, David Hart, George W. Weaver, Philadelphia; N. H. Culliver, Williamsport; R. B. Scamler, James Riddell, Walter Billows, D. J. McGeary, Altoona; W. J. Schaefer, Chester; Frederick W. Fleitz, Scranton.

The convention convened at 10 o'clock this morning and was opened by prayer by Rev. J. Patton Moore, of Harrisburg.

Mayor Pritchey, of Harrisburg, followed with an address of welcome in which A. C. Robertson, of Pittsburg, responded.

Colonel Barnett's Speech. Colonel Barnett, who was the first speaker, said:

I am glad to meet this gathering of republican Republicans and to add my testimony to the worth and influence of the Republic of Pennsylvania. The criticism has often been made by those who have studied the workings of our American institutions that the republicans in this country do not give enough attention to public affairs, to direction of politics and to the science of government; that in the rush of material interests and the press of material interests these vital subjects are too often neglected and overlooked; that only on the day of an election do we see the voters do many of our people recognize that they owe a duty to themselves, to their communities and to their country, and consequently do not vote intelligently and with proper appreciation of cause and effect. To remedy this defect is largely the province of this organization and wide and extended effort lies before it. You have done magnificent work in the past and believe that there is a still grander work to be done in the future.

Republican principles are again being forced upon the people in this campaign. Specious and fallacious arguments are used to divert and mislead the attention of the people from their beneficent results. To brush aside these sophistries, to demonstrate that the spirit of republicanism is superior to any equal to any emergency, that it is the party of education and progress, and it is the party best able of all parties to solve the problems now confronting the Union, to show that the Republican party is still loyal to the Union and that now, when in our lawfully acquired territory our government has been unlawfully attacked, that Pennsylvania is not an ally of Philippine or American separatists, but that the Keystone state at this juncture of government, this is the work that will be performed by the republican league of clubs of Pennsylvania.

Governor Stone's Address. Governor Stone said:

Never in the history of the Republican party in the state was it in better condition than it is today. The Republican party scraps within its lines and it has a right to, but when the tides of November come upon us we find every Republican soldier in the ranks ready to discharge his duty. We have a good ticket and good candidates. No one has raised a question about the capacity and honesty of Colonel Barnett. No one has raised a question as to the honesty and capacity of Mr. Creway. Nobody will. When the election comes we honest men there is no issue between them then why should a Republican vote for a Democrat. They tell us there are no national issues in this campaign. Pennsylvania is the issue whether we will elect William McKinley president of the United States in 1900.

After the speechmaking the platform was adopted and other routine business transacted. The convention then adjourned to meet in 1900 at Philadelphia.

Daisy Mottler Dead.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Stroudsburg, Oct. 4.—Little Daisy Mottler, of East Stroudsburg, who was severely scalded on Monday afternoon by falling in a wash boiler of boiling water, died this afternoon at 2 o'clock. The little girl, who was only five years old, had brain trouble and her few hours aggravated the disease, causing her death.

Dewey Home Fund.

Washington, Oct. 4.—The Dewey home fund amounts now to \$48,81.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVORS.

Meeting of the Pennsylvania Society at Washington.

Washington, Pa., Oct. 4.—Beautiful weather and an enthusiastic meeting are going far toward making the thirtieth annual convention of the Pennsylvania Christian Endeavors the most successful one ever held. This morning the large auditorium of the Washington and Jefferson gymnasium was crowded to its utmost capacity with one of the most enthusiastic audiences assembled here.

President Clarence E. Eberman, of Lancaster; secretary, George H. McDonald, of Altoona; treasurer, J. Henry Stauff, of Pittsburg; superintendent of junior work, Mrs. Cora Keith Jameson Lewis, of Sheridan; superintendent of missionary work, Rev. A. J. Furbush, of Altoona; superintendent of good citizenship, Rev. G. W. Welch, of Lancaster; press, J. Stuckton Ross, of Lancaster; correspondence, Miss Anna B. Beard, of Norristown; evangelist, Charles E. Daniels, of Scranton; vice-presidents, Rev. J. T. McCrory, D. V. of Pittsburg; Rev. Charles Roads, of Philadelphia; Rev. J. W. Cochran, Jr., of Philadelphia; Rev. Floyd W. Tompkins, of Philadelphia; Rev. John W. D. of Pittsburg; Rev. James E. Moffatt, D. D., of Washington; Rev. J. L. Litch, of Bethlehem; Rev. Wyland Hoyt, of Philadelphia; Rev. William M. Yates, of Philadelphia; Rev. B. Canfield Jones, of Erie; Rev. W. J. Frazier, of Pittsburg; A. W. Russell, D. D., of Pittsburg; J. W. Dalrymple, Philadelphia; and E. R. Hill, of Pittsburg.

STROUDSBURG FIREMEN.

The Phoenix Lads Will Be Among the Finest on Parade.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Stroudsburg, Oct. 4.—In the great firemen's parade tomorrow at Scranton no company will receive more attention than the Phoenix Fire company, of this town, which is composed of some of the most prominent men in Monroe county. Forty members and the Stroudsburg band will leave tomorrow (Thursday) morning for Scranton. For some days past the company has been drilling under the supervision of Representative Rogers L. Burnett, a young and well known Democratic politician of this county.

The commander of the company will be ex-Congressman Moses E. Miller. The parade is in the fourth division of the parade.

Many citizens will accompany the company to Scranton. Some of the most prominent members of the company are: Councilman F. W. Born, C. Brown, C. H. Corcoran, ex-Sheriff N. E. Brown, J. H. Schuch, ex-Postmaster Dimmick Edinger, Captain C. L. Waters, ex-County Chairman A. C. Jansen, E. P. Flory, J. J. White, Charles Schuch, E. R. Wallace, A. R. J. Wallace, Will Posten, E. L. Williams, John J. Schuch, Howard Flieger, H. A. Bell, P. V. Dwyer, Eugene Boiby, F. Tock, William Reimer, Edward Farmer, David Palmer, J. K. Sprague, S. M. Dreher, C. L. Drake, Arlington D. Young, Frank Landers, Jr.

FIRE BUGS AT WORK.

They Destroy the Barn Belonging to Commissioner Hartman.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Stroudsburg, Pa., Oct. 4.—Unknown fire bugs are working this county and doing destructive work. Early this morning the large barn belonging to County Commissioner Jacob Hartman, of Stroud, was completely destroyed by fire of incendiary origin. The loss was partly covered by insurance.

Commissioner Hartman was a still grander work to be done in the future. Republican principles are again being forced upon the people in this campaign. Specious and fallacious arguments are used to divert and mislead the attention of the people from their beneficent results. To brush aside these sophistries, to demonstrate that the spirit of republicanism is superior to any equal to any emergency, that it is the party of education and progress, and it is the party best able of all parties to solve the problems now confronting the Union, to show that the Republican party is still loyal to the Union and that now, when in our lawfully acquired territory our government has been unlawfully attacked, that Pennsylvania is not an ally of Philippine or American separatists, but that the Keystone state at this juncture of government, this is the work that will be performed by the republican league of clubs of Pennsylvania.

Commissioner Hartman is very positive that the barn was set on fire and is equally sure that kerosene was used to soak the place before it was ignited.

Parachute Failed to Open. Des Moines, Ia., Oct. 4.—Marsell Townsend, of Des Moines, Ia., about 29 years old, was killed on the carnival circus grounds here today. He was attempting to jump with a parachute. The parachute failed to open and he fell to the earth like a stone and was picked up dead and terribly mangled. A large crowd saw the accident.

Big Fire at Wilmington. Wilmington, Del., Oct. 4.—Fire tonight destroyed one of the buildings of the Humenuthal company's morocco establishment, which is the largest of its kind in the United States. The company was rushed with orders. Between hundred employees are thrown out of work. Over 12,000 dozens of finished kid skins were destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$100,000, fully covered by insurance.

Farmers' National Congress. Boston, Oct. 4.—The farmers' national congress today amended the constitution, placing the selection of the place of meeting in the hands of the executive committee instead of by agreement of the congress. W. B. Powell, of Shadbland, Pa., gave the first address of the day on "Inventions for Farmers."

Schley in the Loyal Legion. New York, Oct. 4.—Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley was installed as commander of the Loyal Legion at the meeting in the hands of the executive committee with great applause. About 300 members and guests were present.

More Cavalry for Otis. Washington, Oct. 4.—General Otis has informed the war department of the arrival at Manila of the transport St. Paul, with seven troops of the Third cavalry.

BOERS HAVE SENT AN ULTIMATUM

NEW PHASE OF THE TRANSVAAL AFFAIR.

Demand Withdrawal of English Troops from the Frontier—Forty-eight Hours Given—President Kruger Congratulated by French Editors—Transvaal's Agent in London Knew Joint Ultimatum by Boers and Orange Free State Had Been Decided On.

Paris, Oct. 4.—A number of newspapers here say that the Boers have sent an ultimatum to England demanding the withdrawal of the troops from the frontiers within forty-eight hours.

The newspapers congratulate President Kruger on taking that step. London, Oct. 4.—Montagu White, consul general of the South African Republic in London, informed the Associated Press this afternoon that the Transvaal and the Orange Free State agreed some days ago to present a joint demand to Great Britain to withdraw her troops from the frontier; but he asserts that he advised against its presentation, and so far as he knows, the demand has not been received at the British foreign office.

Late advices from Cape Town this afternoon indicate a widespread impression there that unless the Boers begin hostilities by Thursday they will not fight and will yield to the imperial demands when formulated by the Cape house of assembly last evening agreed to a motion instructing the Cape government to demand the speedy return to Cape Colony of any and all rolling stock now in the Orange Free State on the Transvaal.

Orders have been issued from Pretoria closing all the saloons in the gold fields.

The Transvaal government has taken over the Ferreira mines and all the mines in the gold fields. A group of the Eekstein mines have been closed.

A special despatch from Johannesburg says the Boer officials there continue to urge the British subjects who remain to leave at once, and it is believed that all who do not will be marched, under escort, along the railway until a train is reached to carry them off.

The northern commando, whose base is at Petersburg, confronts Colonel Plummer's column, which will move nearer the border today.

The report regarding the extent of the Boer artillery is probably exaggerated, as it is believed the burghers possess new field guns; and it is unlikely that they would dismantle their forts in order to send garrison pieces to the front.

The military authorities estimate that 12,000 Boers are in the field.

The Cash Will Be Ready. London, Oct. 4.—The most interesting announcement in connection with the Transvaal situation today is that the chancellor of the exchequer, Right Honorable Sir Michael Hicks Beach, has already sanctioned the provisional expenditure of £5,000,000 pounds, and that the government will not exceed the limit without authority from parliament.

The war board today discussed and drew arrangements to insure the safety of the railway. The Durban Railway's Neck so that large bodies of troops may on disembarkation be rapidly forwarded up the country to the front without confusion or crowding at the bus.

It is stated tonight that the war office has decided that the army corps for service in South Africa shall be much larger than originally estimated and that it now consists of over 40,000 men. The preparations for the despatch of this force, including the chartering of big ocean liners, is steadily and satisfactorily proceeding.

The press association learns that the despatch drawn up by the cabinet on Friday was still unmet up to this evening. On the other hand, a telegram from Brussels gives from a "well informed source" the news that Dr. Leyds, the representative in Europe of the South Africa republic, has received confirmation of the report that President Kruger had addressed an ultimatum to Great Britain demanding the withdrawal of the British forces from the frontier within forty-eight hours and that it was dated on Monday. This report, however, still lacks official confirmation.

Dewey's Sword in a Safe. Washington, Oct. 4.—Admiral Dewey at the navy department today arranged for the safe keeping of the magnificent sword presented to him yesterday. Polished and mounted in a case, the sword is in its own safe, and the admiral carried this into the room of the superintendent of the building, Commodore Baird, his old personal friend, and the latter placed the gift in his big safe.

President's Chicago Trip. Washington, Oct. 4.—President and Mrs. McKinley and party, including the entire cabinet left Washington at 9 o'clock tonight for a half month's trip to Chicago and the northwest.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING

Weather Indications To-day: INCREASING CLOUDINESS.

1 General—Warships Ordered to Manila—Colonel Barnett Opens State Campaign—Transvaal's Ultimatum to England—State Firemen's Convention.

2 General—Northeastern Pennsylvania News—Financial and Commercial.

3 Local—State Firemen's Convention (Continued).

4 Editorial—Women's Foreign Missionary Society.

5 Local—Meeting of the Board of Health. Number of Voters in the County.

6 Local—West Scranton and Suburban.

7 Round About the County.

8 Local—Jurors for November Term of Court.

FIREMEN ARE IN COMMAND

City Surrendered Without a Struggle to the Visiting Fire Fighters.

WORK OF CONVENTION COMPLETED

At the Morning Session Officers Were Elected and New Castle Was Selected as the Place for Holding the Next Convention—Resolutions of Thanks Adopted and Several Presentations Made—Arrival in the City of the Visiting Companies—The Illuminated Run of the Scranton Companies and the Pavement Dance.

SCRANTON was in the hands of the firemen last night. The city surrendered without a struggle to the good-natured, jovial army of fire-fighters who came here to participate in the firemen's state convention and today's great pageant.

The convention completed its work yesterday afternoon and adjourned to meet next year in New Castle on which the convention bestowed the honor of entertaining the next convention.

During the closing hours of the convention hundreds of firemen were arriving, who will participate in today's parade. They came on special and all the regular trains bringing with them bands and apparatus. The newcomers soon made their presence felt and by night fall the streets were crowded with uniformed men. Every street in the central city had a little parade of its own, the visiting companies insisting on taking their bands out for an airing.

Shortly after 8 o'clock occurred the exciting illuminated run of the Scranton companies down Wyoming avenue, followed by the pavement dance on the brilliantly lighted and gorgeously decorated block on Wyoming avenue, between Mulberry and Vine streets.

Up to midnight thirty-nine visiting companies had arrived in the city and fifty more will be here this morning.

The committee to which was referred the suggestions contained in President Cohn's report recommended that the suggestions be approved and the report was adopted.

A pleasant feature of the morning session was the presentation of a handsome silver trumpet to the retiring president, Charles H. Cohn and a set of embossed resolutions in a highly artistic mahogany frame, embellished with brass ornaments representative of fire-lighting, to ex-Chief Hickey, Hon. John E. Roche made the presentation to Mr. Cohn and Treasurer Reichenbach represented the association in the presentation to ex-Chief Hickey.

The resolutions read as follows: To P. J. Hickey, esq., ex-Chief Fire Department, Scranton, Pa. Greeting:

The delegates to the twentieth annual convention of the Pennsylvania State Firemen's association recognize your untiring work in the graceful and generous hospitality you are enjoying as guests of the city of Scranton.

They appreciate your integrity and genial character more than ever, for they realize that it was the confidence and admiration your conduct of the past inspired, that induced them particularly to vote to come to your city, the result of which has been their pleasure and gain.

They know that you labored long for the success of the meeting, and that you are to be congratulated for the result of the convention, which has been their pleasure and gain.

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Afternoon Session.

THERE WERE few delegates present at the opening of the afternoon session, which was called to order at 2:10 by President Smith, who had been inducted into office just previous to the noon recess.

The programme opened with the presentation of a handsome silver trumpet to the retiring president, Charles H. Cohn and a set of embossed resolutions in