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SCRANTON, PA., THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 1, 1901.

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OHIO BOLTERS IN SESSION

A Free Silver and Catch-All Convention Is Opened in a Columbus Hotel.

WILL CONSIDER ISSUE

Those Ignored by the Regular Democratic and Republican Conventions Will Receive Respectful Treatment—Chairman Groot Says Movement Was Not Brought About by "Bryan Democrats" but by All Independents—Kansas City Platform Indorsed.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Columbus, O., July 31.—The state convention of advocates of free silver and other issues not covered in either the Democratic or Republican state platforms, met here today.

A call for this convention was issued immediately after the recent Democratic state convention by George A. Groot, of Cleveland, and others.

Mr. Groot acted as temporary chairman of the convention when it was called to order in the parlors of the hotel. Abner L. Davis acted as temporary secretary. Chairman Groot received a letter from Bryan, which was read at the evening session of the convention. The platform adopted at the Cleveland conference of July 17, and which has been circulated by mail, was endorsed.

The document reaffirms the platform of the Kansas City platform, and declares in favor of the free coinage of silver. It also includes the following plank:

"We demand that all money that is manufactured to be used in this country as a medium of exchange, whether it be gold, silver or paper, shall be coined by the government and distributed among the people without the intervention of banks, and that every dollar of it shall be a legal tender for all debts, public and private."

Total Attendance. The total attendance did not exceed thirty, while the number of a state convention were carried out between the hours of 2 and 4 p. m. It is doubtful if there ever was more amusement at a convention than in the little gathering here today.

Even the promoters of the movement did not disguise their disappointment at the small attendance; they enjoyed the participation by the reporters, who used the chairman's bed in the absence of chairs, and who were allowed to take part in the proceedings with suggestions. At the conclusion of the proceedings the reporters, who were in the majority, were given a vote of thanks and they returned the compliment to the minority.

The assembly hall in the hotel had been engaged for the occasion, but when the hour of 2 o'clock arrived, the delegates and reporters took the elevator to Chairman Groot's room, the reporter suggesting that the populist escape last night kept cool on the fire escape and that the convention today might be held in the elevator.

The features of the platform were the following: The inauguration of Bryan and the reaffirmation of the Kansas City platform. Planks were also inserted calling for the public ownership of all public utilities; that all money of whatever kind shall be issued by the government without the intervention of banks; that the "money trust, the parent of all trusts," shall be destroyed, for "with-out a money aristocracy there can be no imperialism."

The destruction of all trusts is demanded. Such Democrats as approve a gold standard and who supported Mr. Kinley for president are invited henceforth to affiliate with the Republican party.

On returning thanks for his election as permanent chairman, Mr. Groot said great reforms had sprung from humble beginnings, and he was glad to know that there were some who refused to be led around by the money trust with tings in their noses.

The Ticket Named. The following ticket was nominated: Governor, Dr. Rudolph Remling; lieutenant governor, Henry C. Cordery; supreme judge, Rial M. Smith; state treasurer, J. C. Shepard; attorney general, S. L. Clark; clerk of Supreme court, Charles Rossell; member of the board of public lands, R. R. Connell.

It was decided to call the new organization "The Progressive Democratic Party."

A state executive committee of nine members was elected, with George A. Groot as chairman and Bernard Hubert as secretary, and this committee spent the evening in arranging for campaign work.

SLAVS ARE RESTLESS.

They Arm Themselves for Conflict with Italian Rivals.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Steubenville, O., July 31.—A Slavish workman who returned to work at Mirgo Junction was captured by the striking Slavs early today and badly beaten. He was rescued by officers.

The striking Slavs are arming themselves.

PITTSBURG IS IN GLOOM

Outside of the Inner Circle of the Amalgamated Association the Anxiety is Painful.

SECRET MEETINGS HELD

While the Executive Board Deliberates Behind Closed Doors an Anxious Public Chafes at the Conspicuous Dearth of Results—Newspaper Representatives Walk the Sidewalks Around the Headquarters in Vain Endeavor to Secure News. Strikers Express Opinions on the Situation—The Officials of the Steel Company are Hopeful.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Pittsburgh, July 31.—"Hope deferred maketh the heart sick." This is expressive of the feelings of the majority of Pittsburghers tonight, outside of the inner circle of the Amalgamated association executive board, who have been considering the proposal for a settlement of the steel strike for two days without agreement.

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STRIKE SITUATION AT SAN FRANCISCO

Both Employers and Laborers are Firm—Each Side Confident of Winning the Struggle.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. San Francisco, July 31.—There were few changes in the local labor situation today. Both employers and strikers are standing firm, and each side claims confidence in winning without drawing on its reserves.

Arriving vessels today were deserted by their crews, who reported immediately at the headquarters of the sailors' union. Several foreign vessels were being loaded by their own crews, who have no connection with local labor unions.

The drivers for the Pacific Transfer company were called out today. This will have a serious effect on the handling of baggage. The sand transporters were also ordered out. This new development may put a stop to building operations throughout the city.

By the best informed students of the situation it is declared that the outcome of the contention is mainly dependent upon the coal supply. Only one large bunker was in operation this morning, and it is said there is not enough coal in the city to meet the demand longer than two weeks.

A scarcity of fuel will not only cripple the manufacturing interests, but every household will feel it.

From remarks dropped by some of the federation leaders today, it is apparent that the importance of preventing the unloading of coal is fully realized by them, and that special effort will be made to keep the embargo intact.

MARTIN FRY HANGED.

Pays the Penalty for the Shooting of His Brother-in-Law.

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Fry maintained his composure to the end. He walked coolly to the scaffold, and made a brief speech in which he maintained his innocence and asked that he be executed as a man.

The crime for which Fry was hanged was committed on May 19, 1900. The shooting occurred near the town of Carthage, Mo. Both families occupied the same house. Fry returned home in the afternoon and found that Collins had been killed. The victim was lying face down in the yard, and Fry rushed to the door and in the altercation that followed, Collins rushed at Fry with a hammer. Fry seized a gun which was standing in the door of the house and shot Collins in the chest.

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Other outbreaks are probable. The whole country is ready to rise against the arbitrary methods of President Castro. Constitutional guarantees have been suspended and complications with Colombia are feared.

Washington, July 31.—The state department today received the following telegram from the American legation at Caracas:

"Martial law has been declared in Venezuela by the president of the country in consequence of the invasion of a revolutionary force from Colombia. It is reported that an army of 10,000 men will meet the invaders."

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Mr. Labouchere Protests Against Gratuities to Military Men—Mr. MacNeill's Opinion.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. London, July 31.—In discussing the grant of £100,000 to Lord Roberts in the house of commons today, Mr. Labouchere, Radical, protested against the granting of gratuities to military men.

Mr. Swift MacNeill, Irish Nationalist, said he considered Lord Roberts' operations were conducted with a maximum of cruelty and a minimum of humanity, and that his farewell speech at Cape Town was horrible hypocrisy and cant.

After further debate for and against the measure, Mr. Balfour moved the closure, which was carried by 257 of 108 votes. The resolution was after wards adopted by a vote of 281 to 73.

Reading Men Get an Increase.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Steamship, July 31.—The Philadelphia and Reading Railway company trainmen and machinists in this division were today granted an increase in wages of one cent an hour. Crews making trips from Newberry to Tampa were given an increase of from \$2.50 to \$3.00 per trip. The men had not demanded an increase in wages.

Madam Ruiz Claims Damages.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Washington, July 31.—Madam Rita L. De Ruiz, widow of the American dentist who was killed by the Spanish authorities in Cuba just before the outbreak of the Spanish war, today filed before the Spanish claims commission a claim for \$25,000 damages by reason of her husband's death.

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