

the contending lines of battle. Like all but one or two from the forty-seventh on, this ballot resulted:

Counties.	Steele, Cowgill, Good, La'd's, Blackford.	1	1	8	1
Cass.	...	1	1	1	1
Grant.	...	42	1	1	1
Huntington.	21	1	1
Madison.	...	9	5	2	1
Wabash.	...	22	1	1	1
Totals.	...	52	30	32	25

Since 1:30 o'clock the delegates had been in their seats and weariness was making itself felt, but there was no sign of yielding. The only marks of excitement in connection with the balloting had been the cheering on the two hundred, three hundred and four hundred ballots. Otherwise most of the work had been done in comparative silence. Even this paled on the tired delegates, however, and the five hundred ballot, taken a little before midnight, was only feebly recognized.

FIRST TEST OF STRENGTH.

Anti-Steale Men Seat Contesting Delegations by St to 54.

Special to the Indianapolis Journal.

WAUBASH, Ind., May 21.—Ten thousand people were in Wabash to-day clamoring for seats in a tent that would hold 4,000 where the Eleventh district congressional convention was to be held. During all the forenoon delegations were arriving from the six counties in the district, each vying with the others in their efforts to make the best showing for its candidate.

The Grant county delegation was the first to arrive, 800 ardent supporters of Maj. Steele marching behind the Citizens' Band. The delegation from Wabash, in eight coaches filled with Good men, arrived at 8 o'clock and made the banks of the Wabash resound with their cheers. The Indiana delegation, with selected Wabash men, followed to the utmost arrival soon after the Good delegation and were the most enthusiastic of all. "Buckskin Land," was their slogan. Bladford and Miami counties were also delegations, and there was much anti-Steale spirit displayed by them on their arrival.

At 10 o'clock the county delegations met at the courthouse, where they selected a committee on credentials, a committee on resolutions and a committee on rules and permanent organization. The committee on credentials, after receiving the contested delegations in Chester township and in Cass county claiming such delegation.

At 11 o'clock the convention was called to order by Temporary Chairman John A. Bonham of Hartford City. After a short session, an adjournment was taken until 1:30 o'clock in the afternoon. After receiving there was further delay, waiting on the committee on credentials, the committee reporting in favor of seating all the anti-Steale delegations. At 2:30 the anti-Steale vote of St to 54 the anti's were seated.

Jame F. Stutesman, of Peru, was made permanent chairman and Quincy A. Myers, of Logansport, permanent secretary. The four candidates were placed in nomination as follows: Landis, by Judge Wadsworth; Steele, by C. C. Lyons of Marion, and Cowgill by Warren G. Sayre of Wabash.

A Change by the Pennsylvania.

CLEVELAND, O., May 21.—Pennsylvania's vote of 26 to 25 that beginning May 26 a through couch will enter the city of Wheeling. Heretofore passengers have been transferred by trolley from Bridgeport. Transfer will be made at Martin's Ferry and the run will be made over the Wheeling Bridge & Terminal.

CYRUS E. DAVIS IN TOWN.

To Settle a Dispute.

Washington Star.

Boston is now considering the question of whether rhubarb is a fruit or a vegetable. It is a companion problem to that old query, "Is pie a luxury or a necessity?"

WEATHER FORECAST.

Showers and Thunderstorms, and Cooler in Indiana To-Day.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Forecast for Thursday and Friday:

For Indiana—Showers and thunderstorms and cooler on Thursday; fresh south winds. Friday fair.

For Illinois—Showers and thunderstorms on Thursday; cooler in extreme south portion; fresh south winds. Friday fair.

For Ohio—Partly cloudy Thursday; warmer in extreme north portion; probably showers at night. Friday generally fair; fresh east to southeast winds.

Wednesday's Local Observations.

Bar. Ther. R.H. Wind. Weather. Pre. 7 a.m. 30.4 62 49 N' West. Clear. 7 p.m. 30.4 82 71 S' West. P. C'dy. 0.00

Maximum temperature, 85; minimum temperature, 62.

Comparative statement of the mean temperature and total precipitation May 21:

Normal 64 0.13
Mean 64 0.13
Departure from normal 10 -0.13
Departure since May 21 105 -2.05
Departure since Jan. 1 139 -8.96

*Plus. W. T. BLYTHE, Section Director.

Wednesday's Temperatures.

Chairman Goodrich in Town.

Chairman James P. Goodrich, of the Republican state committee, arrived in town yesterday from Winchester, and will be here until Saturday. The work at Republican headquarters is progressing in the line of routine, but will not assume pretentious proportions until after the Democracy has nominated its ticket.

HOTEL LOBBY GLEANINGS.

MEMBERS OF THE DEMOCRATIC COMMITTEE ARRIVING.

SEVERAL MEN MENTIONED FOR CHAIRSHIP OF STATE CONVENTION—VISITORS AT THE HOTELS.

Members of the Democratic state committee began to arrive yesterday evening for the meeting of the committee which will be held to-day, beginning at 11 o'clock. Chairman O'Brien is here from Lawrenceburg, and Lincoln Dixon came in from North Vernon. He represents the Fourth district. It is expected that there will be some "argument" in the committee to-day over the question of a chairman for the state convention. While the committee will not attempt to say who shall be chairman of the convention it may make a recommendation to the Democrats of the State. The friends of John W. Kern want to see him made chairman and it is said that Mr. Kern will not be averse to accepting the place. However, it is pointed out that there is a majority of anti-Kern men on the committee. There has been talk of S. E. Morris, Hugh Dougherty, Major Menzies and Representative R. W. Miers. It is said that the anti-Kern members of Congress from Indiana wrote letters to the constituents requesting that they do what they could to make Miers chairman. It is said, however, that the Miers sentiment is not strong enough to give him the chairmanship.

CONVENTION AT NASHVILLE.

THE TOWN WITH NO RAILROADS WILL ENTERTAIN DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

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PANIC IS GENERAL.

(CONCLUDED FROM FIRST PAGE.)

REPORTEDLY, by a succession of short but successive reports like distant camouflaging, there were thunder, having no reverberating rumble, were accompanied by deep tremors, while the sky in the south-east was suffused with a glow. The reports came at intervals of perhaps three minutes, and persons who remember the lightning of Chicago in 1885, were very similar to the subterranean sounds accompanying that occurrence. The sound traveled from the south to the northeast, and the number of citizens gathered on the seawall and timed the intervals between the reports.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., May 21.—The weather bureau says no earthquake shocks were recorded by the instruments last night.

TAMPA, Fla., May 21.—There were no indications of a seismic disturbance here last night. The sun was affected evidently by volcanic dust.

VOLCANIC DUST AT CHARLESTON.

CHARLESTON, S. C., May 21.—The local forecast official reported to-day that he observed volcanic dust in the air last night. A red sunset was caused by the particles.

GUN WORK ON SHIPBOARD.

New York Herald.

The target practice of the North Atlantic squadron during the inspection on the southern dry docks shows a notable improvement over the results of the inspection last summer. It is encouraging to discover this fresh grip on realities, to mark this new start and to find the ships ready to meet the demands of the new goals of battery efficiency. For several years the service figure of merit has been lower than the standard of progressive superiority to which the ships have been accustomed; though it is high compared with foreign effort, when the special marksman of one British ship, and really of one of the British navy, is excluded.

Mathewson is an indication of a contest it is probable that Nashville would not have got the convention, as it would have been inconvenient for candidates to take the nomination here on account of lack of railroad facilities. Since Nashville has been selected, however, Brown county has sprung a candidate. It is not thought, however, that he will be formidable opposition to Mr. Griffith.

CHARLES E. DAVIS IN TOWN.

He Was an Aggressive Opponent of Representative Miers.

Cyrus E. Davis, of Bloomfield, a member of the last Indiana House of Representatives and an aggressive opponent of R. W. Miers for the congressional nomination in the Second district, is at the Grand Hotel. Mr. Davis came to the city with his friend, G. H. Hendren, member of the Democratic committee from the Second district. It was announced at the Grand Hotel last night that Mr. Davis came to Indianapolis on "private business" and would not remain for the Democratic committee meeting to-day. Mr. Davis, with his usual modesty, declined to discuss his nomination in the district. He was one of the aggressive leaders in the House of Representatives, but will not be a member of that body next year.

Mathewson, however, who then had the nomination for joint senator from Monroe, Brown and Greene counties if he desired it. Up to this time there has been no definite announcement of what Mr. Davis will do in regard to accepting this nomination.

AN OPTIMISTIC DEMOCRAT.

Occasionally a Democrat with unusually optimistic views comes to the city. One came yesterday in the person of W. L. Slinkard, of Bloomfield, who is at the Grand Hotel. Mr. Slinkard was formerly prosecutor for Greene and Sullivan counties. He thinks there is no doubt of Miers' re-election in the Second district, but may be in some little disatisfaction in Greene county because of Mr. Davis' defeat," he said. "But it will not last, and Mr. Davis' friends will all be for him." Mr. Slinkard said the people of Bloomfield are enthusiastic over the prospects of striking a substantial blow off oil.

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OBITUARY.

EDWIN KODKIN, Editor Emeritus of the New York Evening Post.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Edwin Lawrence Kodkin, editor emeritus of the Evening Post, died in Brixham, South Devonshire, England, last night. The immediate cause of his death was a hemorrhage of the brain, which occurred on Saturday, the 17th. Mr. Kodkin suffered a similar stroke two years ago, but recovered sufficiently to go to England in 1901. He spent last winter at Torquay and returned to Brixham on the 17th. Mr. Kodkin was twice married. His first wife was Miss Foote, of New Haven, Conn., by whom he has one son and one daughter, living in England. His second wife (Miss Katherine Sands, of New York), survives him. His son, Lawrence Kodkin, is a well-known member of the New York bar.

OTHER DEATHS.

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., May 21.—Maj. Edward Dill, 61, died at Souqueland, aged ninety years. He was one of the founders of the Republican party in Maine, and was a member of the state convention which first nominated Abraham Lincoln for President. For many years he was postmaster at Phillipsburg, Me., and was a friend of Hannibal Hamlin, Blaine and Senator Frye.

PIONEER DAYS RECALLED.

BAND OF BANK ROBBERS OPERATING IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

YANKTON, S. D., May 21.—Pioneer days are recalled in Charles, Mix and Hutchinson counties by a band of bank robbers who have been operating for the past week. Banks at Scotland, Ethan and several other points have been blown open and robbed in quick succession. At Ethan the robbers operated after the style of the James boys, with a guard mounted at the front door and the inhabitants looking on from a safe distance, eat out by the robbers and blow open the vault. At Harrison, in making their escape, the robbers held up the guard, driving him broad daylight, and though known to be the bank robbers, were not molested. The entire region of their operations is terra-irregular. A posse left Avon to-day in chase of them.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Arrived: Oceanic, from Liverpool; Pennsylvania, from Boston; Plymouth, S. S. St. Louis, to Southampton; Carthaginian, for Glasgow; Viceroy, for New York; Teutonic, for Liverpool; Majestic, for New York.

LIVERPOOL, May 21.—Arrived: Nordland, from Philadelphia; Ultonia, from Boston; Sailed: Sylvania, for Boston; Haviland, for Philadelphia; Majestic, for New York.

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ROTTERDAM, May 21.—Arrived: Rotterdam, from New York, via Boulogne-sur-Mer.

LIZARD, May 21.—Passed: La Lorraine, from New York, for Havre.

BOSTON, May 21.—Arrived: Ivernia, from Liverpool and Queenstown.

SOUTHAMPTON, May 21.—Arrived: St. Paul, from New York, for Liverpool.

NAPLES, May 21.—Arrived: Lahn, from New York, for Genoa.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

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BALTIMORE, May 21.—Arrived: Nordland, from Philadelphia; Ultonia, from Boston; Sailed: Sylvania, for Boston; Haviland, for Philadelphia; Majestic, for New York.

GIVE \$500 to McKinley Fund.

CLEVELAND, O., May 21.—A telegram has been received at the headquarters of the McKinley memorial committee from

Grand Chief Arthur, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, of North Vernon, which says the convention of that organization is now in session, saying the convention has donated \$500 to the McKinley memorial.

HIS FIGHT ON JULY 4.

Jeffries and Fitzsimmons Agree to Meet in San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—James J. Jeffries, champion heavyweight pugilist of the world, and Robert Fitzsimmons met this afternoon and came to an agreement to fight for the world's championship. Fitzsimmons insisted that he would not fight unless permitted to wear surgical bandages on his hands, and after some parley on this point, Jeffries receded from the position he has assumed recently in objecting to the use of bandages. The articles of agreement will, to all practical purposes, be the same as those signed in New York some months ago.

After the two men had announced their satisfaction with the articles, it was mutually agreed that the documents would be signed on Friday afternoon. Seven days will be given for the fight, after which a brief discussion, Fitzsimmons told Jeffries that he would leave the master of selection of a club to him with the result that Jeffries will be the champion. Fitzsimmons' opinion is that the bid of the San Francisco Club, offering 70 per cent. of the gross receipts, is the best. Fitzsimmons accepted the suggestion and it is expected the contest will be held under the auspices of the club mentioned. The date of the fight is to be determined on later, but it is generally believed that July 4 will be the day determined on. Eddie Ceasey, a local man, will be asked to referee the contest and doubtless accept. Jeffries will train in Hawaii Springs and Fitzsimmons at Skaggs Springs.

Jeffries and Fitzsimmons each posted a forfeit of \$2,500. The winner is to get 60 per cent. and the loser 40 per cent. of the fighters' share of the receipts.

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