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REAL BUSINESS TODAY

PLATFORM WILL BE ADOPTED AT ST. LOUIS.

Convention Yesterday Listened to a Speech from Senator Thurston, the Permanent Chairman, and Adopted Report of Committee on Credentials.

St. Louis, Mo., June 17.—Delegates were slow to arrive at the national republican convention hall Wednesday and the hour for coming to order (10 o'clock) found not more than 100 delegates present. Temporary Chairman Fairbanks entered the hall at 9:45



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and took his place on the speaker's stand. The first arrivals meantime began to straggle into their seats at 9:45. The convention was called to order at 10:40 o'clock.

The convention was in comparative order upon the introduction of Dr. Wilbur G. Williams, pastor of the Union Methodist Episcopal Church of St. Louis, who made the prayer. As he lifted his head at the conclusion of the prayer the crowd sank back in their seats, and the convention was again under way.

Mr. Lodge rose to ask for the committee on resolutions the privilege of sitting during the progress of the convention, reporting that the subcommittee had completed the platform, and that it was now being considered by the full committee. He asked leave to report in the afternoon.

Senator Sewell of New Jersey jumped to his feet and moved that the report of the committee on permanent organization be received out of order. The motion was put, and Chairman Fairbanks declared it carried.

When the reading clerk, who intoned the committee's report to the house, announced the name of John M. Thurston of Nebraska to be permanent chairman there was an eruption of flags and cheers from the delegates and another demonstration greeted the name of U. S. Grant of California.

Senator Sewell of New Jersey and Congressman Sereno Paine of New York were designated to escort the permanent chairman to the platform. Thurston faced the arena with his hands clasped behind him and began to speak. He said:

Gentlemen of the Convention:—The happy memory of your kindness and confidence will abide in my grateful heart forever. Eight years ago I had the distinguished honor to preside over the convention which nominated the last republican President of the United States. To-day I have the further distinguished honor to preside over the



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and at 11:23 Chairman Thurston declared the convention in recess.

Two o'clock arrived, but the vacant seats outnumbered the delegates present and Chairman Thurston generously gave the late comers an allowance of time in which to gather and settle down before he summoned the convention to business. At 2:35, with a half-dozen cracks of the gavel, the chairman announced that no further time would be allowed, and called the body to order. Bishop Arnett, the well-known colored divine and orator, offered invocation.

Gavels were presented to the chairman from the states of Illinois and Kentucky. Mr. Thurston said:

Gentlemen of the convention, the next order of business is the report of the committee on credentials, and the chair recognizes the chairman of that committee, Mr. Fort of New Jersey."

Mr. Fort of New Jersey—"Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Convention: Your committee on credentials respectfully report that they met immediately after the adjournment of the session of the convention of the 16th inst. and organized by the selection of the officers of the committee. And since that time we have been giving diligent attention to the business of the committee. The right to represent the state of Delaware in this convention was claimed by two full sets of delegates. The contestants for the right to represent that state in this convention will be designated as the Anthony Higgins delegation and the J. Edward Addicks' delegation. Your committee recommends that the following persons be seated as the delegates and alternates from the state of Delaware—the delegates and alternates headed by Anthony Higgins.

"In the contest in the state of Texas for delegates-at-large from that state your committee gave attention to that

paper, shall have equal purchasing and debt-paying power with the best dollars of the civilized world.

A protective tariff which protects, coupled with reciprocity which reciprocates, thereby securing the best market for American products and opening American factories to the free coinage of American muscle.

A pension policy just and generous to our living heroes and to the widows and orphans of their dead comrades.

The governmental supervision and control of transportation lines and rates.

The protection of the people from all unlawful combinations and unjust exactions of aggregated capital and corporate power.

An American welcome to every god-fearing, liberty-loving, constitution respecting, law-abiding, labor-seeking, decent man.

The exclusion of all whose birth, whose blood, whose condition, whose practices would menace the permanency of free institutions, endanger the safety of American society or lessen the opportunities of American labor.

The abolition of sectionalism—every star in the American flag shining for the honor and welfare and happiness of every commonwealth and of all the people.

A deathless loyalty to all that is true and American and a patriotism eternal as the stars.

The punctuation of almost every sentence of the address was a period of yells, rounded off with a fringe of applause and stamping. The other permanent officers elected are:

Secretary—Colonel Charles W. Johnson of Minnesota.

Assistant secretaries—W. E. Riley of Kentucky, H. H. Smith of Michigan, A. E. Humphrey of New York and A. W. Manly of Maryland.

Official stenographer—Francis E. Burke of Pittsburg.

Sergeant-at-arms—Timothy E. Byrnes of Minnesota.

Assistants to the sergeant-at-arms—W. P. Huxford of Washington, Charles E. Stone of Illinois and G. D. Smith of Oklahoma.

Reading clerks—J. H. Stone of Michigan, F. H. Wilson of Missouri, John R. Maller of Ohio, J. S. Hatch of Indiana and J. R. Bean of New Jersey.

Also one vice president from each State.

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case and heard the contesting delegation whom we will style as the Cuneys delegation and the Grant delegation. We recommend that the delegates and alternates-at-large from Texas headed by John Grant be admitted to this convention.

"As to other matters of contest presented to your committee, notice of which was given to the national committee and heard by it, we recommend that the roll of delegates and alternates to the convention from the several states and territories and the District of Columbia, as prepared by the national committee for the temporary organization be approved and accepted as the permanent roll of delegates and alternates of this convention. A copy of the roll of delegates and alternates as adopted by this committee is here-with submitted. Respectfully presented for the committee and by its order. J. FRANKLIN FORT, Chairman Committee on Credentials."

Immediately upon the conclusion of the report Chairman Thurston said:

"I recognize Mr. Hepburn of Iowa for the purpose of submitting a minority report."

The minority report involved three propositions. The propositions are these:

"1. Upon all contests on the temporary roll fixed by the national committee.

"2. Seat Addicks delegates in Delaware instead of the Higgins delegates.

"3. Seat Cuneys delegates in Texas instead of the Grant delegates.

A vote was taken on the minority report recommending the admission of the Addicks delegation from Delaware

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and it was lost. The question recurred on the admission of the Cuneys delegation from Texas and it also failed to carry. The remainder of the minority report was rejected.

The question on the adoption of the minority report was then put and it was carried by a large majority. The result was received by almost universal cheering on the floor and in the gallery.

The committee on rules reported as follows:

This convention shall consist of a number of delegates from each state equal to double the number of its senators and representatives in congress, six delegates from each of the territories of Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma, six from Indian territory, four from Alaska and two from the District of Columbia.

The rules of the house of representatives of the LIVth congress shall be the rules of the convention so far as they are applicable and not inconsistent with the following rules:

"Upon all subjects before the convention the states shall be called in alphabetical order and next the territories, Alaska and the District of Columbia.

"In making the nominations for president and vice-president in no case shall the call of the roll be dispensed with. Where it appears at the close of any roll call that any candidate has received a majority of all the votes to which the convention is entitled the president of the convention shall announce the question to be, 'Shall the nomination of the candidate be made unanimous?' But if no candidate shall have received such majority the chair shall direct the vote to be taken again, which shall be repeated until some candidate shall have received a majority of the votes; and when any state has announced its vote it shall stand, unless in case of numerical error.

"No member shall speak more than once upon the same question, nor longer than five minutes, unless by leave of the convention, except in the presentation of the names of candidates.

"A republican national committee shall be appointed, to consist of one member from each state, territory, Alaska and District of Columbia. The roll shall be called and the delegates from each state, territory, Alaska and District of Columbia shall name through its chairman the person who shall act as the member of such committee. Such committee shall issue a call for the meeting of the national convention six months, at least, before the time fixed for said meeting; and each congressional district of the United States shall elect its delegates to the national convention in the same way as the nomination for a member of congress is made in said district and in territories; the delegates to the convention shall be elected in the same way as the nomination of a delegate to congress is made; the said national

convention which is to nominate the next President of the United States. This generation has had its object lesson and the doom of the democratic party is already pronounced. The American people will return the republican party to power because they know that its administration will mean:

The supremacy of the Constitution of the United States.

The maintenance of law and order.

The protection of every American citizen in his right to live, to labor and to vote.

A vigorous foreign policy.

The enforcement of the Monroe doctrine.

The restoration of our merchant marine.

Safety under the stars and stripes on every sea, in every port.

A revenue for all governmental expenditures and the gradual extinguishment of the national debt.

A currency "as sound as the government and as untarnished as its honor," whose dollars, whether gold, silver or

committee shall prescribe the mode of selecting delegates from the District of Columbia. An alternate delegate for each delegate to the national convention, to act in case of the absence of the delegate, shall be elected in the same manner and at the same time as the delegates are elected. Delegates-at-large for each state and their alternates shall be elected by state conventions in the respective states.

"The republican national committee is authorized and empowered to select an executive committee, to consist of nine members, who may or may not be members of the national committee.

The report of the committee was

ADVANCE FOR WHEAT.

MARKET AT CHICAGO CLOSES 2C HIGHER.

Prospective Gold Plank at St. Louis Thought to Have Been an Element of Strength—Corn Firm—Hog Products Higher.

Chicago, June 17.—July wheat closed at 58 1/2c, July corn at 28 1/2c, July oats at 17 1/2c.

July pork at 72 1/2c, July lard at \$4.00 and July ribs at \$3.90.

Wheat ruled very strong and sold up steadily 3/4c from the opening and 7/8c from the close last night, and up to noon had held about all the advance.

The heavy exports yesterday over 650,000 bu in wheat and flour—were a surprise to both bulls and bears and did much to keep the market going after it had once got fairly started. The advices in regard to the outturn of the threshers was very disappointing and on all sides there seemed to be a disposition to lower estimates as to the crop. Even if this sentiment was not general its advocates did the most of the talking. Probably the action of the St. Louis convention in adhering to the sound-money standard had quite as much to do with the strength developed as anything else. It is expected to avert the danger of a money panic and confidence is strengthened and capital more inclined to come into the market. July wheat sold at 57 1/2c, up irregularly to 58 1/4c and at noon was 58 3/4c. September sold from 58 1/2c to 59 1/4c off to 59c. The market continued very strong during the last hour and July sold to 58 1/2c split and September at 59 1/4c. It was said that the firmness was due to bad crop reports from Missouri.

Corn was strong, but did not advance much and by reports that cultivation was kept back July sold at 28 1/4c and 28 1/2c split and September at 29 1/4c to 29 1/2c. The market held firm during the last hour, July selling to 28 1/2c and September to 29 1/2c. Hog products strong and higher on good speculative buying. July pork has sold at \$7.22 1/2c @ 7.27 1/2c, July lard \$4.20 @ 4.22 1/2c and July ribs at \$3.90 @ 3.92 1/2c.

Quotations were:

Articles—	—Closing—
Wheat—	High. Low. June 17, June 16.
June ..	58 1/2c \$58 1/2c 58 1/2c 57 1/2c
July ..	58 3/4c 57 1/2c 58 3/4c 57 1/2c
Sept. ..	59 1/2c 58 1/2c 59 1/2c 58 1/2c
Dec. ..	61 1/2c 59 1/2c 61 1/2c 59 1/2c
Corn—	
June 27 3/4c 27 3/4c
Pork—	
June ..	7.15 7.10
July ..	7.27 1/2c 7.20 7.20
Sept. ..	7.45 7.35 7.35
Lard—	
June ..	4.15 4.10
July ..	4.22 1/2c 4.20 4.20
Sept. ..	4.37 1/2c 4.32 1/2c 4.35
S. Ribs—	
June ..	3.85 3.80
July ..	3.92 1/2c 3.90 3.90
Sept. ..	4.07 1/2c 4.02 1/2c 4.05
Wheat and Corn.	3.97 1/2c

Closing prices of wheat and corn at the following named cities were:

Wheat—New York—June, 64 1/2c;	64 1/2c;
July, 65 1/2c;	65 1/2c;
Sept. 56 1/2c;	56 1/2c;
July, 56 1/2c;	56 1/2c;
Sept. 55 1/2c;	55 1/2c;
July, 55 1/2c;	