

## BRYAN MAY REFUSE PARTY NOMINATION

Friends of Eminent Nebraskan Say He Has Other Plans For the Position.

FAVORS A SOUTHERN MAN.

Has Concluded, It is Declared, That Standard-Bearer Should Come From Section Where Votes Are Heaviest.

### Special Correspondence.

Washington, D. C., May.—Although upwards of a year must elapse before the two great political parties of this country meet in national conventions for the selection of candidates for the presidency in 1908, the air is full of politics and dozens of names are suggested as likely standard-bearers for their respective sides. There has been far more talk of the probable Republican nominee, recently, than of the man most likely to oppose him. For months it was almost a foregone conclusion that Col. William Jennings Bryan, of Nebraska, would be the standard-bearer of Democracy once more and it is scarcely to be doubted today that Mr. Bryan can have the majority of delegates if he is really a candidate for the nomination.

One of the closest friends that Mr. Bryan has in Washington—and he has a host of them—is authority for the statement that Mr. Bryan is unlikely to be a candidate. This gentleman asserts positively that the eminent Nebraskan has reached the conclusion that the time has come when a southern man should be selected as the standard-bearer of the party, the majority of whose votes comes from the southern states. Referring to this matter today Mr. Bryan's friends said: "I have had correspondence and personal conversation with Mr. Bryan quite recently and he has led me to believe that he is seriously contemplating absolute and final withdrawal from the presidential race. He favors the selection of some southern man who has been conspicuous in his fight against the railroads. There are several of these in the southern states, among them the governor of Texas, the Democratic nominee for governor of Alabama and Governor Hoke Smith of Georgia. I violate no confidence when I assert that of the three mentioned Mr. Bryan is most inclined to favor Governor Hoke Smith than either of the others. He has the highest regard for Mr. Smith, politically and personally, and he looks upon him as the strongest man from a political standpoint that the south could advance for the honor of the nomination."

### FOR HOKE SMITH.

But notwithstanding the prestige which the endorsement of Mr. Smith by Mr. Bryan would give the governor of Georgia, there are serious doubts as to the ability of that gentleman to obtain a majority of the delegates even from the southern states. As to the governor of Texas, it is far more likely that Senator Culberson will be the candidate of the Lone Star state than that the governor will be. It is peculiar in this connection that Governor Johnson, of Minnesota, has a very strong following among the politicians of the southern states and it must also be remembered that Governor Gray of Delaware, has powerful friends scattered from one end of the country to the other. If Mr. Bryan is really out of the race, his influence will be of enormous value to some other candidate so fortunate as to secure it. But at the same time Mr. Bryan will be unable to control the

votes of all the candidates whose first choice is the Nebraskan. Col. Henry Wattersen, of Kentucky, has a dark horse candidate not yet named who may prove formidable enough to make a lively race for any one from the southern states and Col. Wattersen has already let it be known that his man is not a resident of the Atlantic seaboard.

Altogether with Mr. Bryan out of the running it would seem that the Democrats are no nearer the final selection of a candidate than are their opponents and with Mr. Roosevelt scratched there are at least a dozen "horses" more or less dark still among the entries and every one undergoing training in expert hands.

### FROM PORTO RICO.

Mr. Roland P. Falkner, of Porto Rico, who is the commissioner of education for the island is in Washington to attend the Jamestown exposition. Mr. Falkner is enthusiastic in his description of the growth of the educational spirit in Porto Rico. During all the years that the Spaniards controlled the island little attention was paid to the education of the natives. At the time of its cession to the United States following the Spanish treaty, there was but one building in all of Porto Rico devoted exclusively to school purposes. Today there are upwards of a hundred school buildings, erected by the board of education throughout the island and each is crowded with pupils at every season. But until very recently little attention was paid to the English language. The teachers themselves spoke Spanish and Spanish was the language in which the pupils were taught. Now, however, the English language has been adopted as the official language of the island. Teachers themselves have been educated up to the point where they are able to impart their teachings to the scholars in English. According to Mr. Falkner it will not be more than 15 years when English will have become the commercial, school and public, as well as the official language of the island. Mr. Falkner adds that the Porto Ricans are growing in material prosperity and it will not be very many years before this minor gem of the Antilles will be filled with a population of prosperous industrious people.



THE PHYSICALLY PERFECT POLICEMAN.

That bravery should go hand in hand with physical perfection seems a natural deduction; it has been proven true in the case of John F. Logan, a policeman who joined the New York force in April last. Logan has just performed an act of conspicuous bravery by leaping to the bare back of a runaway horse, choking the animal to a standstill and saving the lives of a score of children in the beast's path. Logan is 25 years of age, was formerly a cowboy, later in the Spanish-American war, then a Panama policeman and then with Buffalo Bill's Wild West. When he joined the New York police force he was given a physical rating of 100 per cent, a record given but once before in the last 15 years.



YOUNGEST SOCIALISTS ON RECORD.

Lara and Gogo Reusner, the 12-year-old daughter and 8-year-old son of a famous Russian professor who was dismissed from his post at Tomsk, Siberia, for promulgating Socialistic doctrines, have, of their own volition, joined the Socialist party and have been proclaimed by that body its youngest members in any land. The children live at Riga, Russia, and during their vacation from school will attend all the meetings of the party, in order that they may be prepared, when school opens, to preach the doctrine to their school mates.

Some 15 or 20 years ago a party of Philadelphians bought a tract of land on the Conduff Road, just over the Maryland line from the District of Columbia. Here they undertook to establish a "Chauntiqua" based upon that peculiar resort of learning in the westernmost county of New York state. An enormous auditorium capable of seating several thousand people, was erected and several other buildings of almost equal magnitude. In addition there were built from 50 to 75 cottages for the housing of those who were expected to spend their summers near the new institution of learning and a great rustic refectory was constructed. The first year that the place was opened a great many cottages and tenters attended the lectures and for a few weeks it looked as though the enterprise would be successful. In the meantime an electric road had been run through the woods, a big power house built and several hundred acres of farm land purchased at \$50 an acre had been cut up into lots and hundreds of these lots were sold at 10 cents per foot on the installment plan. Then came the slump. The Chauntiqua idea was abandoned and an attempt was made to turn the buildings into a big pleasure resort. The first year of this attempt saw the destruction of the refectory by fire and during the next two or three years the place grew very much like Goldsmith's deserted village in appearance.

### REVENUES IN PINES.

Then some one bought one of the cottages and he was soon followed by

others until about a year ago the legislature of Maryland gave a charter to the village of Glen Echo and now Glen Echo has sprung into international prominence through the activity of its municipal authorities. The Conduff Road is a government reservation. It covers the water conduits which bring Washington's aqueduct supply from the Great Falls of the Potomac to the reservoir supplying the city's needs. It is a well kept roadway and is popular among carriage owners and automobilists. The taxable property of Glen Echo is comparatively insignificant in value and the enterprising mayor of the town had to look around for other means of raising revenue. He called his counselors together and they adopted speed ordinances and appointed a marshal to enforce them. Since the creation of the municipal government of this insignificant hamlet people so fortunate as to own automobiles have been mulcted to an extent which if continued promises to make the treasury of Glen Echo the most pithorful of any village of its size in the world. Five or six times every evening the vigilant marshal holds up an automobile and hauls the occupants before his honor the mayor, and in each instance the treasury of the municipality is enriched by a fine of from \$10 to \$50 and no guilty speeder is permitted to leave without depositing the cash or valuable collateral. While there was a great deal of growling among Washington car owners over the action of the Glen Echo officials nothing official came of it until they undertook to hold and fine the Italian ambassador and the

Duke Abruzzi. Then they found that the United States law would protect the envoys of foreign powers from annoying enforcement of petty municipal regulations. Now the state department has the matter under consideration, but whatever the outcome may be, the mayor and marshal of Glen Echo have succeeded in making themselves known far beyond the confines of Maryland or even the United States of America. Up to date several diplomats upwards of 20 senators and hundreds of other people more or less prominent have been arrested and fined for speeding on the Conduff road, and the financial returns to the village of Glen Echo during the past three months from these fines exceed the total revenue of the hamlet from all other sources.

### CARIBOU WALLOW.

Brig. Gen. G. F. Elliott, commandant of the United States marine corps, at the annual wallow of the Washington Corral Military Order of the Caribou, in an exceedingly interesting talk to 200 officers and invited guests the other day at Marshall hall, told of our ups and downs, largely ups, of the organization which he commands. He presented in simple phrase a problem that the officers of the navy and war department have not yet answered. Gen. Elliott, in discussing the order, recently issued, providing for but two years in foreign service for officers and men of both the military and naval arm of the service as well as for the marine corps, stated that he would like a professor of arithmetic to tell him how 67 per cent of the rank and file of the marine corps could be relieved by 33 per cent under the new rule of two years' service in the tropics. He said that 67 per cent of the men under his command were either on the sea or in the tropics performing service for their government while 33 per cent were in the United States performing service incident to the work of the command. The general further said that with six years of enlistment under the new regulations an officer or enlisted man would have four years of service out of six years, a fact not contemplated by those entrusted with the enlargement and building up of the marine corps. The conclusion which he desired to make was that the marine corps would have to be enlarged in order that half the



MADE A FORTUNE IN ONE DAY.

When financiers of great repute make or lose fortunes in a single day of stock market activity the world is not aroused; it is what is expected. Different, however, is it when a novice enters the field and pulls the wool over the eyes of experienced operators. This last is illustrative of the recent career of Arthur Pauline, a telegraph operator, of Wichita, Kan., who in one day recently cleared \$150,000 on the wheat market. For 15 years Pauline founded a key for commission houses. Then he took a flier in wheat; it went to \$1.30 and he cleared \$15,000. Since then he has continued his speculations, the climax of his work coming recently with the \$150,000 coup.

command would have their service at home.

Incident to his speech, Gen. Elliott said that it did not matter to the men or the officers of the marine corps who they served, whether the army or the navy, the regulations requiring that when on sea duty the corps is subject to the orders of the commanding officers of the navy, while on land they are subject to the orders of the commanding officers of the army. He said that the marine corps has less kickers in it he believed, than in any branch of our military establishment, and all that the marine corps asked was fair treatment and an opportunity to show their worth in battle. The marine corps today consists of 8,711 enlisted men and 278 officers, under the command of Brig. Gen. Elliott, who is beloved by every man of the corps and whose record as a soldier is of the highest.

### Beauty Hints.

To reduce your flesh, increase your troubles. To develop a bust, get on the wrong side of the market. To remove freckles, pry them gently out with a nutpick. Should this fail, try blasting. Brilliance may be imparted to the complexion by powdering with diamond dust. Hair on the lips may sometimes be avoided by requiring the young man to shave before calling. There are various ways of removing blackheads. In the south lynching is much in vogue. Nails which do not yield readily to the manicure may be driven in with a hammer. For developing the grace and beauty of the fingers nothing is equal to piano exercises, provided police protection is available. When "crow's-feet" will not yield to massage, fill them suddenly with cement and smooth quickly with a trowel. Falling hair may be avoided by stepping nimbly aside whenever you see it coming your way. The "drooping lash," so much affected by some, may be encouraged by sitting up late at nights.—Thomas S. Mosby, in The Bohemian.

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