

A posse of deputy sheriffs has gone to the district and further trouble is expected.

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION.

The afternoon session of the Democratic convention was called to order at 3:15 by Chairman Smoot.

The committee on credentials, by their chairman, J. F. Tolton, reported that all but Kane and Grand counties were represented and recommended that each county cast its full vote. Report adopted.

The committee on permanent organization and order of business made the following report:

Chairman—O. W. Powers; vice chairmen: Mrs. D. H. Peery, of Weber; Lyman R. Martineau, of Cache; Mrs. Electa Bullock, of Utah; Mrs. Emily Richards, of Salt Lake; A. W. Ivins, of St. George; Charles Kelly, of Box Elder; Mrs. L. R. Rhodes, of Sanpete; William Howard, of Emery; Hadley D. Johnson, of Salt Lake; secretary—William McGraw, of Weber; assistant secretary—Mrs. Ella Jakeman, of Utah county; reading clerk—Joseph M. Cohen, of Salt Lake; sergeant-at-arms—Gilbert R. Belknap, of Weber; assistants—A. G. Harris, of Weber, and R. E. Davis, of Box Elder.

The committee recommended the selection of two United States senators, to be voted for at the same time; a congressman, three judges of the supreme court, a governor, a secretary of state, state auditor, state treasurer, attorney-general, and superintendent of public instruction in their order. It was recommended that nominations be made on call of counties and that a majority vote of the whole convention be necessary to elect.

After some little discussion the report was adopted.

Judge Powers was escorted to the chair by Mrs. Ella Hayman and A. C. Ivins. He made a stirring speech which was received with unstinted applause.

The committee on organization of the party reported in favor of the abandonment of the dual system of societies and committees as likely to cause confusion and misunderstanding, and recommended that the only organization of that party be that under the Democratic committee as properly constituted.

James H. Moyle moved for a recommitment of the report as it did not embody several items of importance which should be there. Carried.

After selections by the hand, the report was again presented, suggesting a single organization, and recommending that the Territorial committee consist of the chairmen of the various county committees throughout the Territory, with seven extra members from Salt Lake, three each from Weber and Utah, two from Cache, and one each from Sanpete and Summit.

At this juncture, the great silver orator, ex-Congressman W. J. Bryan, of Nebraska, entered, and upon motion the rules were suspended, and the distinguished gentleman was invited to address the convention.

Mr. Bryan was received with cheers and addressed the convention at some length on the principles of Democracy.

The report of the committee on organization of the party was again taken up, but not being satisfactory,

another re-commitment was ordered.

The following platform was then read by P. L. Williams, chairman of the committee on resolutions:

The Democratic party of Utah in convention assembled, reposing its trust in the intelligence, patriotism and justice of the people—standing upon the Constitution as a foundation and limitation of the powers of the government as well as the guaranty of the liberties of the citizen—congratulate the Territory—now soon to be a State—on the assured success of the policy adopted by the national organization as laid down in all its platforms.

For the Democracy of the entire Territory we reaffirm our faith in the permanence of federal union and our devotion to the Constitution and the laws; and declare as cardinal doctrines of Democracy:—

First—Absolute acquiescence in the will of the majority as a vital principle of the Democratic party.

Second—Total separation of church and state for the sake alike of civil and religious liberty.

Third—The liberty of the individual unvexed by sumptuary laws.

Fourth—Support by the state of the public schools.

Fifth—The supremacy of the civil over the military power.

Sixth—Exact equality of all persons before the law.

Seventh—The right to a free ballot—the right preservative of all other rights.

Eighth—That the Democratic party is the friend of the laboring men in every avocation of life, and will protect his interests alike against the aggressions of monopoly as well as the commune.

We believe the restoration of the money of the Constitution is now the paramount issue before the country, and insist that both parties shall plainly state their respective positions upon the question in order that the voters may intelligently express their preference. We therefore declare ourselves in favor of the immediate restoration of the free and unlimited coinage of gold and silver at the present legal ratio of 16 to 1, as such coinage existed prior to 1873, without waiting for the aid or consent of any other nation. Gold and silver coin to be a full and legal tender for all debts public and private.

We denounce the Republican party for the demonetization of silver in 1873 and for its repeated acts of hostility toward its remonetization.

We call attention to the fact that the country was in the throes of a financial panic when the Democratic administration assumed control in 1893, and we congratulate the people upon the approaching reign of prosperity as a result of a Democratic reform of the tariff; and also to the fact that factories, foundries and mill have resumed work since the repeal of the McKinley law, and to the constantly advancing wages of workmen in almost every industry.

We again express our hearty appreciation of the Democratic Congress and President in providing an enabling act by virtue of which Utah is about to assume its position as a sovereign State.

We commend the action of the Democratic members of the Constitutional Convention in surrounding the taxing and revenue-raising power of the State by such restrictions and limitations as to preclude any squandering of public property in aid of private enterprises, and to confine the expenses of carrying on public business within proper limits of economy, despite the almost unanimous opposition of a Republican majority. And we favor the adoption of the proposed Constitution.

We congratulate the women of Utah upon their admission to equal political

rights with men under the provisions of the Constitution proposed, and the Democratic party for the earnest and able support of that measure by its representatives in the Constitutional Convention.

We denounce as false the charge that the Democratic party of Utah has been guilty of stuffing ballot boxes or other election frauds, and condemn the Republican party for its unwarranted and libelous attack upon the majority of the Utah Commission, and deplore the lack of principle shown by its attempt without any evidence and for partisan purposes to besmirch the character of honorable citizens.

The report was unanimously adopted.

The chairman then announced that nominations for two United States senators would be in order, when Mr. Schroeder arose and offered a resolution, providing that in the event of there being a Democratic majority in the Legislature, that Joseph L. Rawlins and Moses Thatcher be elected to the Senate.

Very little opposition being shown the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Rawlins being called for then made a short speech, thanking the convention for the confidence reposed, and assuring them of his assistance during the campaign.

The nomination for Congressman being in order, J. F. Tolton, of Beaver, arose and with words of eloquence nominated B. H. Roberts. This was received with loud outbursts of applause, and was seconded by several delegates from other counties.

At this point A. J. Evans of Utah arose and placed in nomination Mr. King of Provo, and moved his nomination by acclamation.

This motion was promptly ruled out of order, and cries of Roberts rent the air. It was quite evident that Roberts was the chosen man and he was nominated by acclamation.

A short speech was made by Mr. Roberts, kindly thanking the convention for the honor conferred.

Then came the nominations for three judges of the Supreme court, and the following were placed in nomination: S. R. Thurman, Thomas Maloney, J. G. Sutherland, Ogden Hiles, and Richard W. Young.

The first ballot resulted in the following vote being cast: Thurman 628, Maloney 611, Young 340, Sutherland 281, Hiles 107. There being 336 votes necessary to a choice, Thurman, Maloney and Young were declared elected.

To the Chairman and Members of the Convention:

The undersigned committee on party organization beg leave to report and recommend as follows: That the general Territorial committee shall consist of forty members—one from each county—who shall be the chairman of their respective county committee, and additional members as follows: Cache 1, Weber 2, Salt Lake 5, Utah 2, Sanpete 1, Summit 1, Davis 1; that the said committee of forty be authorized to select its own officers together with an executive committee not to exceed ten in number, and that until otherwise ordered the present plan of precinct, county and Territorial committees be maintained as the party organization. All of which is respectfully submitted.

MARGARET A. CAINE,
Chairman.

The report was adopted.

Next in order was the nominations