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FOR PEOPLE'S PARTY CONVENTION.

TO BE HELD IN RENNSLAER,
ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 17TH,
1894, AT 1 O'CLOCK P. M.

The chairman of the precinct
committees, will meet in Rensselaer
on Saturday, February 17th,
1894, at 1 o'clock p. m. for the
purpose of organization and con-
sultation.

We would further submit for
the candid and unbiased consider-
ation of the voters of Jasper
County, the following proposi-
tions, and would respectfully re-
quest of all who agree with us
to meet with and assist us in the
organization of the county.

We believe that the present de-
plorable condition of the country,
industrially and financially, was
deliberately planned and carried
out for the purpose of foisting
on the people of the United
States, an additional and unnec-
essary interest bearing debt for
the sole benefit of capitalists, at
the expense of the producers.

We believe that the remedies
proposed by the two old parties
will only aggravate and prolong
the trouble.

We believe that no people can
make themselves prosperous as
a whole, by taxing themselves
either under the McKinley sys-
tem or under the Wilson system;
that all taxes should be in ac-
cordance with the ability to pay,
and that no industry should be
taxed for the purpose of sup-
porting any other industry.
This, both the old parties do, as,
witness the McKinley law, and
the Wilson bill.

We believe that the times de-
mand a more rigid economy in
the administration of the affairs
of the nation, state, and county;
that a congress that expends as
much of the people's money in
six years as the debt created by
most gigantic war the world has
ever seen, is not the congress for
the people. That a legislature
that continues to go deeper in
debt, and that pays out over two
hundred dollars a day while in
session for services that could
be commanded for twenty dol-
lars, is not the legislature for
the people; that county officials
who keep up high taxes in times
of great depression and under an
increased appraisement, and con-
tinues to pay out, in many cases,
a sum nearly double that for
which the same value could be
obtained is not the best for the
county.

We believe that the only way
to relieve the people of these
wrongs is to put a party in pow-
er that was organized for that
purpose. This is the purpose of
the People's Party, and to this
end we would respectfully invite
all honest voters to calmly and
without prejudice make an honest
survey of the situation, the
promises, work and purposes of
parties in the field then make
your choice. When every voter
has heard all sides and then
thus decided, we will be satisfied.

MARION I. ADAMS,
Chairman, County Cen. Com.
If you believe this government
ought to issue legal tender mon-
ey and thus make better times,
instead of issuing bonds that
will make times harder, if you
believe in squeezing the water
out of the stock of rail roads
and other great corporations
and allowing them to make a
fair profit on what is left, if
you believe the rich should pay
a just proportion of the taxes, if
you believe it would be better
for the people if Uncle Sam
would issue his own money and
put it directly into circulation
by paying it out on his obliga-
tions than to farm it out to
banks where it costs a double
interest to get it into circulation,
in fine, if you believe in "Equal
rights to all, and special privi-
leges to none," you had better
get a move on you and get out of
the old parties. These are Popu-
list principles.

THE rich rascals that have
grown fat and stuck on special
privileges, are terribly worried
about an income tax. They
now give a warning note that
they will commit perjury rather
than pay it. No doubt about
that. In innumerable instances
they have sworn falsely to get
it, and as a matter of course they
will now swear just as hard to
keep it. Notwithstanding all
this assurance of lying, stealing
and perjury, the income tax has
fought its way to the front and
will stay there and do the people
good service, despite the
perjuries of the lying scoundrels
and infamous bloodsuckers.

What knowledge is lacking in
1894 to make the income tax ef-
fective will be gained later on,
so get ready howlers to take
your medicine.

BANKS failed for lack of mon-
ey, merchants went to the wall
for lack of money, the manu-
facturer could not raise money
so he shut down, the farmer
could not pay merchant, black-
smith and doctor because he
hadn't money, business stopped
for want of money, the govern-
ment revenues were reduced as
the volume of business was re-
duced, tariff high nor tariff low
had nothing to do with it, it was
the lack of each, nothing else.

Of all the Populist senators to
seek out and follow gold bug
trails, Senator Peffer takes the
lead. Scarcely a day passes
that he does not discover of their
crooked ways, and drag them to
the light. The latest was to
make Carlisle tell who his bond
bidders were. Go for them Peffer,
your work is appreciated.

LAY aside all distrust of your
neighbor, meet him half way,
join hands with him in one su-
preme effort to help yourself out
of the slough of despond into
which you have been thrown by
the legislation of the two old
parties.

ONE of eelish Dan's pets was
caught diminishing Carlisle's
gold redemption fund, and he
was put under bonds. That was
wrong, the man was doing what
he could to break the panic.

JOHN SHERMAN'S financial
schemes to rob labor, are being
mercilessly pounded and exposed
by the Populist senators.

THE Populists everywhere are
making immense gains.

SENATOR ALLEN has John
Sherman on the run.

BURKE COCKRAN says, "Taxes
are a badge of liberty." In this
county a very burdensome em-
blem—a bosom pin that is mak-
ing the taxpayers stoop should-
ered to wear it. Can't liberty
have her badges made of some
lighter and cheaper material,
such as corn husks, pumpkin
leaves, or hayseed? Liberty,
we love, but we have no partic-
ular hankering after these bur-
densome badges Cockran & Co.
are making in her name.

THAT blaze of prosperity that
was to come to the country as a
result of the repeal of the Sher-
man law, seems a little slow get-
ting around. It either did not
materialize or entirely missed
this section, as we have seen
nothing of it, and you know if
prosperity comes at all an editor
is sure to get a large share
of it.

THE Sherman law has been
repealed, and bonds have been
sold, and the tariff's tail has
been vigorously twisted, and
still the pesky panic holds on
with a more vigorously grip
than at the outset. It must be
because something is wrong.
Guess that's it. Wonder we
didn't think of that before.

Now Carlisle, don't go and be
a blamed fool and mortgage your
farm to pay your taxes when
you have enough fat hogs right
here ready for market to square
you up with the county; ship
fool, ship, save interest and
keep your farm clear.

DWIGGINS says that his meth-
ods were indorsed by John Sher-
man. We don't doubt it. We
never knew or heard of anything
yet so infernally mean that the
old hellion didn't approve it.

If you believe the government
should issue money, or coin it,
instead of issuing bonds, you
ought to join the People's Party,
and right now would be a mighty
good time to make the start.

BONDS it was, the people are
not in it.

A HOUSEHOLD TREASURE.

D. W. FULLER, of Canajoharie,
N. Y., says that he always keeps
Dr. King's New Discovery in
the house and his family has al-
ways found the very best results
follow its use; that he would not
be without it, if procurable. G.
A. DYKEMAN, Druggist, Catskill,
N. Y., says that Dr. King's New
Discovery is undoubtedly the
best cough remedy; that he has
used it in his family for eight
years, and it has never failed to
do all that is claimed for it. Why
not try a remedy so long tried
and tested. Trial bottles free at
F. B. MEYER'S Drug Store. Regular
size 50c and \$1.00.

TEN days loss of time on ac-
count of sickness and a doctor
bill to pay, is anything but pleas-
ant for a man of a family to con-
template, whether he is a la-
borer, mechanic, merchant or
publisher. Jas. O. Jones, pub-
lisher of the Leader, Mexia,
Texas, was sick in bed for ten
days with the grip during its
prevalence a year or two ago.
Later in the season he had a
second attack. He says: "In
the latter case I used Chamber-
lain's Cough Remedy with con-
siderable success, I think, only
quietly circulated a petition
which was signed by the leading
Republican petitioners and de-
manded that the order to pub-
lish the notice of election in the
Sentinel be rescinded, and that
the same be given to the Repub-
lican. When this petition was
presented to Commissioner Mar-
tindale he immediately dis-
patched a message to the other
two members of the board com-
manding their immediate pres-
ence. After a consultation, and
seeing that the petitioners were
in dead earnest and in no mood
to be trifled with, they very re-
luctantly ordered this notice of
election to be given to Mr. Mar-
shall. They saw that if they
did not do justice to Mr. Mar-
shall that their pet project to
place a bonded debt of \$40,000
upon Marion township would
fail at the polls. MORE ANON.

Waukarusha Ditch Expenses.

Will some one kindly inform
us what has been done with the
bill of expenses accruing by the
location, and appraisements of
benefits and damages of the
above ditch? I am informed that
there is an effort being made to
throw the cost amounting to
from \$5,000 to \$7,000, on the tax-
payers of the county. If this is
so, taxpayers, are you going to
allow this? It is plainly an in-
justice to the people, and they
ought to remonstrate.

A TAX PAYER.

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The Gravel Roads Question.

We are in receipt of a number
of communications this week, in
regard to the gravel roads elec-
tion, which appear in this issue
of the PILOT. The thing we de-
sire to say is this: We have
opened our columns for the pub-
lication of communications on
both sides of the question, and
we shall not be responsible for
the views rendered by the writers.
And furthermore if you
have any views on the question
either pro or con, and would
like to have them printed, re-
member you are at liberty to use
this paper.

For Good Roads.

The following is a statement
of highest tax on each \$100 of
taxable property in Marion town-
ship, for proposed gravel roads,
as obtained from careful and ac-
curate examination of the records
in the auditor's office of Jasper
county, Indiana:

Total taxable property for
1893, in Rensselaer and Marion
township, \$1,749,752. Total esti-
mate cost of gravel roads,
which estimate the law will not
allow exceed \$39,680.74. This
\$39,680.74 divided into five equal
payments makes \$7,926.15 to be
paid each year. Levy required
to pay same per year, for five
years, 45 cents on the \$100, to
which add the interest for mean-
time, 24 years at 6 per cent,
making 7 cents more on each
\$100, thus making a total of 52
cents per year average levy, or
\$2.61 for the total five years.
Now, when you are told the
gravel roads will cost two or
three dollars per year in each
one hundred dollars please refer
them to the records. The above
estimates were made by E. L.
Clark and T. J. McCoy. Let
every man who wants good roads
vote for the tax March 2, 1894.
Last winter when the roads were
bad, wood cost \$3.75 per cord
instead of \$3, when the roads
were good. The man who made
the extra amount did so because
the mud was deep. C. C. SIGLER
said last autumn, before the vote
was taken, that he would build
the road north of town for \$1,000
less than the estimated cost.
Mr. SIGLER would employ men
who live in Rensselaer, should
he obtain the contract. In fact
those who favor the building of
the road would see that the con-
tractors employ home labor.
The men who oppose the gravel
roads opposed the tax for the
railroad. Now they would not
have the railroad taken away.

GOOD ROADS.

G. E. MARSHALL opposed the
proposed gravel roads at the
last election, which action in-
censed the board of county
commissioners. In order to
punish him for daring to assert
his manhood in opposing this
pet project of the board, this
honorable (?) body made a verbal
order to publish the notice of
the coming election in the Sen-
tinel, whose editor was one of
the signers of the petition and
referred the matter to Commis-
sioner Martindale, to carry out
their instructions, while the
other two members returned to
their respective homes. The
order became known to some of
the Republican petitioners, who,
believing in free speech and op-
posing coercion in any form,
quietly circulated a petition
which was signed by the leading
Republican petitioners and de-
manded that the order to pub-
lish the notice of election in the
Sentinel be rescinded, and that
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Gravel Roads. Iroquois Ditch.

The two improvements are

moving to the front. The one
is for better roads, requiring
\$35,000 worth of rock material.
The other will require the ex-
cavation of 28,000 cubic yards of
this material at a central point
for distribution. If the gravel
roads are voted now, this loos-
ened material can be furnished
free for crushing and the drainage
project save cost of storage.

If this will make the roads cheaper it saves to every tax payer. It will, in our opinion, save at least one-fifth or \$7,000

on the estimated cost of making
the roads. If other material
can be had cheaper no one is
harmed. Every tax payer who

is not in "the valley" should en-
courage deepening the channel
now that competitive material
for roads may be put in sight.

Each one who will have to pay a
ditch assessment should favor
gravel roads, because of opening
market for the material excavated.

Sit down and think this
over and don't oppose the pro-
ject by reason of the other. *

Gravel Roads—Description.

The petitioners ask to improve
the old roads in Marion township.
Two of these roads, the "Col-
lege" and "Long Ridge" are

traveled on the surveyed line or

corrected by agreement. On

the way from the Poor Farm to

Pleasant Ridge, the travel does

not conform exactly to the sur-
veyed section line west, or the

half section line east of Rensselaer.

The improvement asked

for, gives a better road bed and

does not change the location.

Concessions and private agree-
ments, and other means of short-
ening the route are kindly recom-
mended. If the owners of ad-
joining lands cannot agree to

conform to the survey line, the

center of the new grade must

follow the center of the actual

highway. The viewers recom-
mended a highway 60 feet in

width as providing proper room

for ditches and berme, The

"College" and "Long Ridge"

roads are that wide, while the

"Poor Farm" and "Pleasant

Ridge" roads as fenced, are in

some parts not so wide. Unless

the land owners consent to widen

it, the new grade must be placed

to the best advantage in the ac-
tual highway. This is not in any

sense a proceeding to make new

highways, but to improve and

straighten the old ones as near