

## Peoples Party News Bureau.

The Oregon Campaign.  
Republicans Hopelessly Divided.  
Populists Expect Victory.  
Oregon Republicans Split.  
'Brick' Pomeroy Dying.  
Silver Dems Discouraged.

PEOPLES PARTY NEWS BUREAU,  
HEADQUARTERS NATIONAL EX. COMMITTEE,  
ST. LOUIS MO., MAY 14.

The campaign in Oregon is at a fever heat. The republicans are divided on the money question. The democrats are hopelessly in the minority and the silver wing of that party will vote with the populists. The populists are better organized than ever before with an aggressive and wide-awake man for chairman of the state committee. The campaign will be fought out on the money question; the lines are sharply drawn between the gold standard on one side, and the silver forces on the other. At a recent conference held at Denver the populists of Colorado raised sufficient funds to send Mr. Sovereign of the knights of labor, and Mortimer Whitehead, ex-lecturer of the national grange, to Oregon. The national committee sent Gen. Weaver, Hon. J. H. Davis and Col. J. H. McDowell, and the populists of Indiana are making arrangements to send Mr. Burkhardt of that state to Oregon. The quiet work that has been done by Gen. Weaver, the state committee in Oregon and the national committee for the last six weeks, has paved the way for a victory in Oregon in June. The silver democrats and to a large measure the silver republicans, will vote our ticket. Ex-governor Pennoyer is a candidate for mayor of Portland. He has been endorsed by the tax payers' league of that city, which includes nearly all the wholesale and retail merchants. Also by the silver democrats. The republicans in that county have two sets of candidates in the field. One a goldbug under the leadership of Dolph, and the other for silver under the leadership of Mitchell. In no state is the prospect for a victory so bright for the peoples party as in Oregon to-day.

Mr. Parsons, member of the national committee, writes from the eastern part of Oregon thus: "The campaign now has progressed so far that we can begin to reckon where 'we are at.' In this county we will elect our joint senator, three representatives and our full county ticket. Two years ago we polled 1234 votes. The republicans 1550, and the democrats 800. We are making steady inroads upon the enemy and according to the precincts polled we have gained

sufficient to give us a clear plurality. In every county in eastern Oregon a like condition exists and I believe we will carry nine out of twelve counties in the eastern section of the state. In western Oregon our affairs look very promising and we will make great gains there. Portland has been our chief stumbling block in the past giving 5,000 republican majority. This year all is changed there. The republicans are divided into two nearly equal factions—Mitchell and anti-Mitchell, with hostile city and county tickets in the field. This insures the election of ex-governor Pennoyer as mayor of Portland. His election will almost certainly carry with it the election of populist city and county tickets and means the control of the next legislature and a populist United States senator.

The Post, the leading democratic organ of Washington says:

"The gold men are working under the personal inspiration and direction of the President, who considers the emergency serious, and an earnest attempt has already begun to capture the delegations from the big states. Senator Brice has taken charge of this canvass and his victory in Ohio last fall when he snatched the convention away from the silver men causes great confidence to be placed upon the results of his work this year. He is organizing a bureau at the capital and is going to follow the same tactics that proved successful in Ohio when he wrote 6000 letters in two months to democrats of influence in the state." Mr. Brice is going to look after Indiana as well as Ohio. Ex-Mayor Hopkins of Chicago has opened head

quarters in Illinois for the gold interests and is prosecuting their fight with the aid of large expenditures of money and with good prospect of success. James J. Hill, magnate of the Great Northern railroad, is doing similar work in Minnesota and the Dakotas. In the last week a change has come over the spirit of the dreams of silver men in the democratic party and it now appears that despite their early victories they are doomed to defeat in the national convention. And that means a bolt, a bolt that will be supported by the majority of the voters of the party.

General Weaver says: "In Oregon the populists have opened the door to all who agree with them on the financial question; not silver question merely; that is only one prong. It is free silver, the abolition of national banks, the making of all money legal tender, and last no more bonds without end. They vote in Oregon June 1. Listen the next morning for news from there."

Ex-Governor Pennoyer is certain of election as mayor of Portland, Oregon and is being talked of as a candidate for United States senator.

The populist convention of Gregg county, Texas indorsed Kearby and Ashby for governor and lieutenant governor and Perdue over Wood for congress.

The political situation in Kansas is very gratifying to populists. The chairman of the republican state committee publicly announces that the party will lose from 10,000 to 15,000 republican votes if the present state officers are renominated.

The recent populist state convention of Alabama adopted the following:

"Whereas, the business failures for the first quarter of 1896 have so far surpassed all past records and believing this to be due to our financial system; therefore, be it resolved. That our delegates to the national convention are hereby instructed to use all honorable and legitimate means to unite all the financial reformers in one solid phalanx against a policy that has brought want and misery to our once happy and prosperous country."

W. F. Bryan, ex-congressman from Nebraska; openly declares that he will bolt the nominee of the democratic party for president if he is a gold standard man.

The New Orleans Daily Item declares the election of the populist state ticket in Louisiana and openly asserts that blood will be spilled in that state if the democrats attempt to usurp the power.

The populist convention of the fifth congressional district of Texas has been called to meet May 22.

The Galveston Tribune, a gold bug democratic paper, admits that the populists will probably carry Texas.

The report of Senator Chandler of the committee on elections declares that, eliminating democratic frauds in four black belt counties and fourteen white counties in Alabama, that Kolb was elected by 7,000 majority; that there should have been an actual populist and republican majority of twenty-nine in the legislature and that Senator Morgan is not entitled to the seat he holds.

The Hon. Joe C. Terrell, brother of the United States minister to Turkey, is a candidate for the populist nomination for probate judge in a Texas county.

Col. H. C. Stevenson, cousin of vice-president Stevenson, says: "The democratic party is in the merciless grasp of unyielding fate. It is hopelessly divided and is rushing to overwhelming defeat, if not to annihilation."

Editor Carmack, of the Memphis Commercial Appeal, has been discharged because of his free silver ideas and the stockholders have decided to conduct the paper as a Cleveland organ, supporting Patterson for congress.

At a recent dinner given to democratic senators and congressmen by congressman Francis G. Newlands of Nevada, the host urged his guests to go to the national democratic convention and work for the nomination of Senator Teller, the bolting republican senator, as head of the democratic national ticket, with a free silver democrat of the south for second place. Congressman Newland is authority for the statement that Teller

would accept such a nomination.

Senator Blackburn announces that rumors and hopes of compromise between the gold and silver elements in Kentucky are alike unfounded and that middle ground can never be found.

State Master Francis Reckterwald of the Kentucky knights of labor has issued a challenge for a joint debate with any gold standard advocate from John G. Carlisle and William McKinley down.

Judge Thomas G. Lawson, a former free silver advocate, after conference with the powers in Washington has announced himself a goldbug candidate for congress in the eighth Georgia congressional district.

The majority of the county conventions of the peoples party in Tennessee so far held have endorsed the candidacy of the Hon. A. L. Mims for governor.

A. Cridge of San Francisco volunteers to attend state conventions of the peoples and prohibition parties at his own expense for the purpose of advocating and illustrating proportional administration.

The peoples party county convention at Fresno, California, has declared in favor of free silver; restricting emigration, favoring female suffrage, compulsory education and non-sectarian schools.

Two sets of delegates to the republican national convention have been elected by the republicans of Arizona. One convention instructed for McKinley, the other did not. Both conventions declared for free silver.

Hon. Chas. S. Thomas, leader of the democratic party of Denver, said in conclusion to a long address: "If after the efforts of our delegation at Chicago silver is not recognized, I will withdraw from the convention."

A convention to select sixty delegates to the national silver convention at St. Louis has been called to meet at Topeka, Kansas, July 16. The Iowa silver convention will be held July 14. Iowa will be entitled to thirty-five delegates.

The populists of the fourth congressional district of Texas met at Texarkana May 1 and chose eight delegates to the national convention, of which J. H. Davis is chairman. The convention also passed the following resolution: "Resolved that this convention here and now express full confidence in the honesty and integrity of that prince of reformers, J. H. Davis." A delegate to the convention writes thus: "There was no opposition to Davis, save from one county and that was very weak indeed. The nominating convention will not be held until Aug. and then there will be one voice and that will be for Davis."

Robert Schilling, publisher of the Milwaukee Advance, is preparing a souvenir of the approaching national convention of the peoples party. The souvenir will contain a full history of the reform movement, together with pictures of the most prominent men and women of the party.

The Rev. D. Oglesby, an orator of great power, of Richview, Illinois, is the latest minister to come out square-toed for the peoples party.

M. M. (Brick) Pomeroy, the veteran reform editor, who is reported slowly dying of dropsy, dictates in a letter written to a friend by his wife, these brave and characteristic words: "If I don't pull through there is one consolation, I am going to a country where a man does not starve to death for engaging in a reform movement."

The convention of the peoples party of Colorado to select delegates to the national convention has been called for July 4 at Denver. The convention for the nomination of state officers will be held at Pueblo on a date to be decided on later.

In a speech in the senate April 29 Senator Teller said: "What will I do if the party to whom I have been attached for forty years advocates the gold standard? I say again that when a political organization fails to represent the sentiments I hold, then I cease to act with it. I should despise myself if I lifted a hand to put into power a man who from executive chambers would continue the gold standard."

In an interview John Sherman says that Senator Teller can no longer be considered a republican, that he is already out of the party.

The statement recently sent out by this bureau, that the number of delegates to the national convention would be about 1,390 is approximately correct, according to the basis of representation fixed by the national com-

mittee. The trouble was the first published report by our newspaper was incorrect.

The New Jersey state committee was in session at Trenton on May 1 and decided to issue a call for a state convention to be held in the same city on May 30, at which nominations will be made for state officers and delegates selected to the national convention.

In a speech at Denver this week ex-governor Waite congratulated Senator Teller on his recently announced position. While personally he did not object to a single plank in the platform of the peoples party he thought it probable that the platform will be amended at St. Louis and a compromise will be reached with silver forces for a national fight on the financial question. The abolishment of the national banking system he considered as one of the points to be fought out. A. R.

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Applicants will be allowed to use their books in answering the questions on "The Tempest."

The examination for the high school teachers will be held the last Saturday of June, July and August. They will be required to pass examination on the branches they are expected to teach.

On account of Saturday, May 30th being Memorial Day, the May examination will be held Friday, May 29th, instead.

JOHN F. WARREN,  
County Supt.

Real Estate Record.	
Wm. L. Bursell to Michael Ring- eisen, H. G	\$12,500.00
Abraham Halleck, admr. to Jesse I. Tyler, Jan. 27, 1896, n 1/2 ne 27-32-7, admr. dead, 26 acres.....	400.00
Anna M. Eck to James O. Cole, May 4, 1896, pt 16, bl 8, Reming- ton.....	1215.00
George B. Austin to Elwood M. Spriggs, March 27, 1896, it 1. n 1/2 it 2, Bruner's add. to Demotte.....	50.00
John A. Sigler to Jacob Smysor, April 20, 1896, s 1/2 se 26-32-7, pt e 1/2 sw 26-32-7.....	7000.00
Alton L. Padgett to Nina Maude Daugherty, April 28, 1896, pt nw sw 29-29-6.....	100.00
Mary E. Kannal to George E. Mur- ray, May 5, 1896, Its 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, Emmet add. Rensselaer.....	2000.00
Greenleaf L. Thornto to Simon P. Thompson, May 4, 1896, s 1/4 sw 22- 39-7.....	1824.00
James McCord by heirs to Emma E. Worland, Feb. 17, 1896, ne ne 14-28-6, 40 acres.....	700.00
Abraham Leopold to John M. Was- son, May 5, 1896, Its 1, 4, 5, 8, 9, 12, 16, Leopold's add. Rensselaer.....	1050.00
Phoebe A. Banes to John M. Was- son, April 16, 1896, pt 10, 11, 14, bl 27, Weston's add. Rensselaer.....	900.00
George H. Brown Jr. to Rebecca H. Elb, April 20, 1896, e 1/2 nw 15-20-5, 160 acres.....	6500.00
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